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O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING Isaiah 65.1–9

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.
The word of the Lord through the prophet: 1 I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am,' to a nation that did not call on my name. 2 I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; 3 a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; 4 who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; 5 who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.' These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. 6 See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps 7 their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. 8 Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,' so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. 9 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 22.18–27

Response: All the ends of the earth shall bow before him.

18 Be not far away, O, Lord; You are my strength; hasten to help me. 19 Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog. 20 Save me from the lion's mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls. **R**

21 I will declare your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. 22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. **R**

23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them. 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. **R**

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: 'May your heart live for ever!' 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him. 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations. **R**

SECOND READING Galatians 3.23–29

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

23 Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. 24 Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, 26 for in Christ Jesus

you are all children of God through faith. 27 As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ; 28 There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Gospel Luke 8.26–39

Glory to Christ our saviour
Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

26 Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. 27 As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' – 29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) 30 Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. 31 They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. 32 Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. 33 Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. 34 When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. 35 Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. 36 Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. 37 Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. 38 The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 39 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, guide and protect your people who share in this sacred mystery, and keep us always in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**





The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

The Scottish Episcopal Church United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway
St John's Church, Floors Street, Johnstone PA5 8QS St Margaret's Church, Oxford Road, Renfrew PA4 0SJ

Physical Services are not being streamed live this week

we are online at www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

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Zoom/Telephone is Tel: **01314601196** Meeting ID: **832 4184 0407**

Passcode: **076546** or use the link on the newsletter or website



Worship today 19 June **Pentecost 2**

0945am St Johns Sung Eucharist—Rev Robert Chambers

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist—Rev Robert Chambers

Monday 20 June—comm-Fillan, Abbot, c.750

Tuesday 21 June —feria

Wednesday 22 June—comm-Alban, Martyr, c.303

St Johns 2pm Holy Communion—Rev Robert Chambers

St Margarets 7pm Holy Communion—LWL Pat/John

Thursday 23 June—feria

Friday 24 June—festival-The Birth of John the Baptist

Saturday 25 June—comm-Moluag of Lismore, Bishop, 592

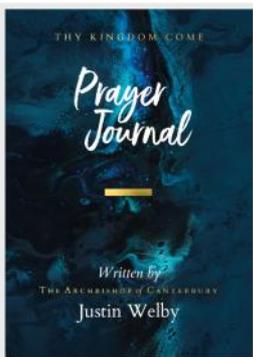
Next Sunday 26 June **Pentecost 3**

0945am St Johns Sung Eucharist—The Rector

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist—The Rector

Using the Thy Kingdom Come

Prayer Journal



Let's start Sunday 26 June

15 mins a day to work with the materials in the book then meet on Saturday 9 July at 10am-11am to see how we go on with it and explore the experience.

St Johns Building works continue

St Johns building works Monday 6 June for 12 weeks—we pray for the safe and successful completion of the works and the renewal of life at St Johns in the months to come.



To ask about arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc. please contact the Rector

Intercessions

The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: Liz Fairns, Elsbeth Carberry, Pauline Campbell, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Adrian Bull, Isobel Trail, Ellen Jones, Isabel Cummings, Carol, Joanna, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Paul Bothwell, Veronica Whitelock, Martin Santon, Jeanette Farquhar, Margaret Keys, Lyle McDermott, Emily Parker, Jim Henderson, David Peden, Alun Reese, Sam Aaron

The Departed: none

We pray for Scotland as we welcome Ukrainian Refugees to make a home We pray for the world Aid Agencies supporting victims of disaster

Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet



Weekly downloads the PEWSHEET, the INTERCESSION SHEET, the GOSPEL REFLECTION from

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

The Daily Offices can be followed on the provincial website at <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/>

9am-920am Morning Prayer on zoom this week

Pastoral Assistants Support every week: please call Wilma 07714 525726 or John Mitchell 07798 662711

While the Rector is taking some leave Rev Robert Chambers is helping to cover life in our Charges. Robert will be helping more as Reuben has to begin conducting his Dean's duties in the coming weeks. We say thank you to Robert for supporting Renfrew and Johnstone and the wider life of the Diocese.

Next Vestry meetings

Renfrew Wednesday 29 June 745pm in-person & zoom
Johnstone if needed Friday 1 July 10am in church

St Bartholemew's Church closure service

12noon Saturday 2 July
You are invited to attend to mark the end of this ministry in our Region



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Items for inclusion should be sent to Rector@SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk by 0900 on Wednesdays.

Sponsorship: in prayer for the people of St Bartholemew's Gourock as they prepare to close their Church

If you would like to sponsor this sheet please send you £5 donation to the Rector along with details of the sponsorship (even if anonymous)