Pentecost 4

Sunday 6 July 2025

when you have finished with this sheet pass it on to someone unable to get to church today

Collect

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 66.10-14

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

10 Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her – 11 that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. 12 For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. 13 As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. 14 You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 66.1-8

Response: Be joyful in God, all you lands.

1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise. 2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you. 3 All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name.' **R**

4 Come now and see the works of God, how wonderful he is in his doing towards all people. 5 He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in him. **R**

6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him. 7 Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard; 8 Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip. **R**

SECOND READING Galatians 6. 7–16

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

7 Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. 8 If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. 9 So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. 10 So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. 11 See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! 12 It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised – only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. 13 Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. 14 May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything!

16 As for those who will follow this rule – peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. For the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Gospel Luke 10.1–11, 16–20

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke **Glory to Christ our Saviour**

1 The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. 2 He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. 3 Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" 6 And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. 7 Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9 cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11 "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near." 16 Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.' 17 The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' 18 He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19 See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. 20 Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of 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 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

All Sunday services are being streamed live this week

we are online at www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk Facebook: @stmargaretsrenfrew.org.uk @StJohnsJohnstone2023

Zoom/Telephone is Tel:01314601196 Meeting ID: 832 4184 0407
Passcode: 076546 or use the link on the newsletter or website



Worship today—6 July—Pentecost 4

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist —Rector Music at St Johns: 19, 45—(LP 546)—144—636 1130am St Margarets Eucharist—Rector Music at St Margarets: 19, 45, 368, 449

Monday 7 July—comm-Boisil, Prior of Melrose, c.642 Tuesday 8 July—comm-Palladius, Bishop, c.450 (transferred from 6 July)

630pm St Johns Vestry Chaired by Rev Robert

Wednesday 9 July-feria

2pm St Johns Said Eucharist - Rev Robert 7pm St Margarets Said Eucharist - Rev Robert 745pm St Margarets Vestry meeting in the hall

Thursday 10 July-feria

<u>Friday 11 July</u>—comm-Benedict of Nursia, Abbot, c.550 <u>Saturday 12 July</u>-comm-Drostan of Deer, Abbot, c.600 <u>1030-1130 Gardening Hour at St Johns</u>

Next Sunday 13 July—Pentecost 5

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist —Rev Godfred

Music at St Johns: 221, 343—(LP 546)—66—448

1130am St Margarets RS Communion—LWL David Peden

Music at St Margarets: 221, 343, 66, 736

St Margarets Coffee&Connect

2 Aug, 4 Oct Coffee Morning in the hall 10-1130am a chance to meet with folk from around the area and say hello in a relaxed atmosphere with coffee and biscuits and with a tombola.



Back Pack Sunday

Back to School Sunday 17 August - a chance to pray and hope for the year ahead.





Intercessions The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: David Fowles, Liz Fairns, Audrey Callaghan, Adrian Bull, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Veronica Whitelock, Emily Parker,

Sam Aaron, Raymond Bruce, Olly Mitchell, Joe Smith, Eric Parker, Geraldine Revie, Ruby Robertson, Craig Cameron, David & Trixie Preston, Gloria & Chris Nelson, Scott Taylor, George Wilmshurst, Judith Thorley, Josephine Lynch, Fred Thorley, Ellen Reilly, Gordon McLellan, Sarah Anne and Robert Alcorn, Tosh Lynch

The Departed: none

The Elderly and Infirm unable to get to church: Isabel Reed, Kay Cherry, May Burton, Pauline Campbell, Nan Grimstead Cycle of Prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet online



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

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk Pastoral Assistants Support every week:

please call Wilma 07714 525726 or Rev Robert Chambers 07968 279351

St John's needs a Treasurer and a Vestry member to ensure it reaches its Constitutional requirements

Holy Communion at home or in hospital—please contact the Rector if you are unable to get to church and would like to receive Holy Com-

munion where you are. **2025 St Johns Gardening Hours**—Sats 12 July, 9 August,
13 Sept. 11 Oct. 8 Nov

Vestry meetings coming up soon:

St Johns 630pm 8th Jul, 2nd Sept, Oct tbc & AGM 26 Oct &

St Margarets 745pm 2nd COFFEE July 9th July, 3rd Sept, Morning Oct tbc & AGM 2 Nov



Please note a change of date due to outside circumstances

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