Pentecost 9

Sunday 21 July 2024

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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING 2 Samuel 7.1–14a

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

When David was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, 2 the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' 3 Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you.' 4 But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: 5 Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? 6 I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. 7 Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' 8 Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; 9 and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. 10 And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, 11 from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you, David, that the LORD will make you a house. 12 When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. 14 I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD <u>Responsorial Psalm</u> Psalm 89.20–37 Response: I will make David my firstborn

20 'I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him. 21 My hand will hold him fast and my arm will make him strong. 22 No enemy shall deceive him, nor the wicked bring him down. R 23 I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him. 24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, and he shall be victorious through my name. 25 I shall make his dominion extend from the Great Sea to the River. R 26 He will say to me, "You are my Father, my God and the rock of my salvation." 27 I will make him my first-born and higher than the kings of the earth. 28 I will keep my love for him for ever, and my covenant will stand firm for him. **R** 29 I will establish his line for ever and his throne as the days of heaven. 30 If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my judgements; R 31 If they break my statutes and do not keep my commandments; 32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod and their iniquities with the lash; 33 But I will not take my love from him, nor let my faithfulness prove false. R 34 I will not break my covenant, nor change what has gone out of my lips. 35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: "I will not lie to David. **R** 36 His line shall endure for ever and his throne as the sun before me; 37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, the abiding witness in the sky." R

SECOND READING Ephesians 2.11–22

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

11 Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision' – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – 12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15 He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, 16 and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. 17 So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; 18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens. but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. 21 In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; 22 in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God. For the word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD

GOSPEL Mark 6.30–34, 53–56

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

The apostles returned from their mission. 30 They gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. 31 He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32 And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 33 Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. 34 As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. 53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. 54 When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, 55 and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. 56 And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel. **Praise to Christ our Lord.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, as we are strengthened in these holy mysteries, may our lives be a continual offering, holy and acceptable in your sight; 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 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.**



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Worship today – 21 July Pentecost 9

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist—Rector /Curate Music at St Johns: 408—494—(LP 546)—718—695 1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist—Rector Music at St Margarets: 408—494—72—695

St Johns 3pm-5pm Celebrating 150 years of St Johns and saying goodbye to Lisa as Regional Curate

Monday 22 July--festival- Mary Magdalene

Tuesday 23 July from 21 July)

Wednesday 24 July-feria

St Johns 2pm Said Eucharist—Rector St Margarets 7pm Said Eucharist—Rector

Thursday 25 July-festival-James, Apostle

<u>Friday 26 July</u>-comm- Anne and Joachim, Parents of Mary, Mother of the Lord

Saturday 27 July-comm-John Comper, Priest, 1903

Next Sunday 28 July Pentecost 10

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist—Rector Music at St Johns: 450—82—(LP 546)—819—606 1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist—Rector Music at St Margarets: 450—82—819—525

Lisa will be leaving the role of Regional Curate on Sunday 21 July—we will have



a goodbye afternoon sharing cake and stories of the last 150 years of St Johns and our latest story—Lisa being with us and moving on. 3pm till 5pm drop in or

ANNIVERSARY stay and meet folk—stories

on the half hour then time to explore the materials and eat cake and share a prayer.

Lisa's Licensing as Priest-in-Charge of Heartland Charge is at 12noon on Thursday 1 August and the service is hosted at St Mary's Port Glasgow. All are welcome and there will be refreshments and lunch afterwards.





Intercessions The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: David Fowles, Liz Fairns, Pauline Campbell, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, May Burton, Adrian Bull, Isabel Cummings, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Veronica Whitelock, Emily Parker, Sam Aaron, Andrew Mitchell, Raymond Bruce, Olly Mitchell, Joe Smith, Nan Grimstead, Eric Parker, Geraldine Revie, Brenda Sproule, Kay Cherrie, Ruby Robertson, Anna Gatherer, Craig Cameron, Isobel Reed, Debbie Davidson, David Vince, Andy Doig, David & Trixie Preston, Scott Taylor, George Wilmshurst The Departed: none

Cycle of Prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet online



Weekly downloads the PEWSHEET, the INTERCESSION SHEET, the GOSPEL REFLECTION from www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk Morning Prayer on zoom has ended

Pastoral Assistants Support every week: please call Wilma 07714 525726 or Rev Robert Chambers 07968 279351

Gardening Hour at St Johns Sat 10 August, Sat 14 September, Sat 12 Oct & Sat 9 November

Important dates coming soon:-Back-Pack Sunday—11 August at St Margarets Quiz Night —Friday 27 September at St Margarets

Vestry meetings coming up:-

St Johns:- Tues 30 July, Tues 17 September October tbc as necessary for the accounts November AGM Sunday 10 November "Looking Ahead in hope"

St Margarets:- Wed 31 July, 18 September October tbc as necessary for the accounts November AGM Sunday 3 November "Looking Ahead in hope"

Regional Council dates:- AGM meeting Wed 9

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Spansorship: we give thanks for Lisa's ministry across the Region in her time serving as our Curate If you would like to spansor this sheet please send you £5 donation to the Rector along with details of the spansorship (even if anonymous)