

ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Readings

Sun 1 May	Paul McGhee	Acts 2: 14a, 22 – 32; 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9; <i>(John 20: 19 – 31)</i>
Sun 8 May	Margaret Grey	Acts 2: 14a, 36 – 41; 1 Peter 1: 17 – 23; <i>(Luke 24: 13 – 35)</i>
Sun 15 May	Liz Johnson	Acts 2: 42 – 47; 1 Peter 2: 19 – 25; <i>(John 10: 1 – 10)</i>
Sun 22 May	Alan Waddell	Acts 7: 55 – 60; 1 Peter 2: 2 – 10; <i>(John 14: 1 – 14)</i>
Sun 29 May	Paul McGhee	Acts 17: 22 – 31; 1 Peter 3: 13 – 22; <i>(John 14: 15 – 21)</i>
Sun 5 June	Margaret Grey	Acts 1: 6 – 14; 1 Peter 4: 12 – 14, 5: 6 – 11; <i>(John 17: 1 – 11)</i>

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Prayer for Eastertide

Risen Lord, come and stand among us,
 Awaken us to your presence,
 Open to us the gate of glory,
 Show us the path of life,
 Help us to know you are with us now and always,
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Open Gate: David Adam

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's work, as she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

Dear Friends,

Spring is one of my favourite times of the year – the stirring of new life that we see in the smallest of flowers – the snowdrops as they fight their way through the winter frosts, especially this year! They are followed by the crocuses and daffodils and the spring blossom. Each year as I watch nature coming out of hibernation I feel that I can almost sense the sunnier, warmer days approaching – as they have this past week or so.

There is something in the human psyche that responds to new life, don't we 'coo' over new babies, puppies, kittens; aren't we drawn to the 'newness' that gives us a sense of hope, of life, of future. In some ways the resurrection of Jesus chimes in with this response to new life. Just as spring flowers remind us that winter is passing and summer is round the corner, so also Jesus' resurrection points us to the fact that the old order is passing and new creation is just about to happen. While the spring flowers suggest resurrection to us they only do so partly – their new life is cyclical whereas Jesus' is not. Jesus rose to new life and will never die again.

With love and prayers for a joyful Eastertide, Christine

Bishop David and his wife Alison were with us on a very warm and sunny Sunday – 10th April.



Hopefully the weather will be equally good when Bobby comes to lead our worship on Sunday 8th May.

May Events

- Sat 7 May Pilgrim Care Training Day on Dementia in St Andrews, for information please see Rector
- Sat 21 May Churches Acting Together in Tayport Christian Aid Walk, please look out for posters
- Sat 21 May Diocesan Casting the Net Day in Perth, for information please see the Rector

May Services Diary

- Every Wednesday Midday Prayers (15mins) in Church
- Sun 1 May 10.30am 2nd Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
- Sun 8 May 10.30am 3rd Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall - **Rev Prof Bobby Sommerville**
- Sun 15 May 10.30am 4th Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
- Sun 22 May 10.30am 5th Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
- Sun 29 May 10.30am 6th Sunday of Easter – Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
- Thurs 2 June 7.00pm Ascension Day – Eucharist
- Sun 5 June 10.30am 7th Sunday of Easter – family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall

May Rotas

	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Sun 1 May	Christine Barker	Alex Cook
Sun 8 May	Janette Turvey	Alex Cook
Sun 15 May	Margaret Redpath	Janette Turvey
Sun 22 May	Alex Cook	Margaret Redpath
Sun 29 May	Christine Barker	Liz Johnson
Sun 5 June	Janette Turvey	Margaret Redpath

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