

Notices

This Week: Sixth Sunday of Easter 5th May 2024

8.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Eucharist

5.00pm Sunday@ Healing and Wholeness

Wednesday 10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday Ascension Day Service 7.30pm St. Ninian's, Prestwick

Next Week: Seventh Sunday of Easter 12th May 2024

8.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Eucharist

5.00pm Sunday@5 Taizé

Wednesday 10.00am Holy Communion

Services and Events coming up:

Ascension Day Service - Ayr Regional Council:

9th May 7.30pm St. Ninian's, Prestwick

(A run through for choir members and singers is from 6.15pm to 6.45pm.)

Christian Aid Week Service Sunday 12th May 5.00pm @St Columba's SEC

Big Sing LDCT Ecumenical Service May 26th 5.00pm @St Columba's SEC

Christian Aid Week Quiz, Largs Bowling Club Thursday 16th May 7.30pm

Tickets are now available.

Holiday Club: 1st July – 5th July

Henry Willis Organ presentation at St. Columba's CofS Saturday 1st June 3.00pm by Sowne of Organe: which will include music, stories and images of many details of the organ's construction normally hidden from view.

Sponsor a Bag of Gravel! Update: RJ McLeods are helping us upgrade the church car park with material left from the sea wall renovation.

Bishop Kevin's Final Service

Bishop Kevin's final service is in St Mary's Cathedral, 11.00am on Saturday 29th June, celebrating 45years of ordained ministry. Could any contributions to his leaving gift be passed to Chris Evans before the end of May.

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Please join our church [website mailing list](#) to receive the latest update.

Saint Columba's Scottish Episcopal Church, Largs

A warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today

**The Service is led today by the Rev'd Mark Goodman
Rector of St. Columba's**

Sixth Sunday of Easter 5th May 2024

Hymns

2 Christ whose glory fills the skies

595 Be thy vision

217 The strife is o'er

330 *Do not be afraid (Communion Hymn)*

644 God is love

Mass setting: St. Anne's, Macmillan (CCL:173163)

Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love towards you that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Prayer after Communion

Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

Acts 10: 44-48

Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the gentiles, ⁴⁶ for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸ So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

1 John 5: 1-6

Faith Conquers the World

⁵ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ^a has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ² By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³ For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴ for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵ Who is it who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Testimony concerning the Son of God

⁶ This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John**:
[15: 9-17] (Sung response)

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

¹² “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

From the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Bishop Kevin Pearson

From the Scottish Episcopal Church: the Diocese of Aberdeen &
Orkney
Holy Trinity, Kilmarnock
St Ninian’s, Troon