



CROWN COURT
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
COVENT GARDEN

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 16 November 2025 at 11.15am

Worship is led by Sheena-Jane Clark

The lessons are read by Norma McGoldrick

Obey your orders without fault or failure until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ which God will bring about in his own good time.

1 Timothy 6:14, 15

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkness and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

* Indicates where those who are able should stand

VOLUNTARY

WELCOME

A warm welcome to worship at Crown Court Church of Scotland – ‘*The Kirk of the Crown of Scotland.*’ Whether you are visiting for the first time or are with us occasionally or often - we are delighted to be able to welcome you today in person or online.

We regularly stream our services. The camera will mainly be focused on whoever is leading the service and the front of the sanctuary. However, should you wish to ensure you are not included in the livestream, please may we ask that you sit to the rear of the sanctuary by the stained-glass windows.

INTROIT *O Come Ye Servants Of The Lord*

TYE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for He has done marvellous things!

All: The Lord has made known His salvation.

Leader: Let the sea roar,
the rivers clap their hands,
and the mountains sing for joy before the Lord!

**All: We will praise the Lord,
for He comes to judge the world with
righteousness and truth.**

* **HYMN 63 All People That on Earth Do Dwell**

OLD 100th

PRAYER OF APPROACH WITH LORD’S PRAYER

And we pray together:

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory, for ever.
Amen.**

*** HYMN 500 Lord of Creation, to you be all praise!**

SLANE

SCRIPTURE READING: Malachi 4:1-2a (p.962) with Psalm 98 (p. 603)

ANTHEM *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

BEVAN

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 21:5–19 (pp. 1056-1057)

***HYMN 533 Will you come and follow me**

KELVINGROVE

SERMON

***HYMN 286 Tell Out, My Soul, the greatness of the Lord!**

WOODLANDS

THE OFFERING AND DEDICATION

As the Offering is brought forward the congregation stand and sing the doxology:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God, the Trinity of love,
before, beneath, around, above.**

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS AND THE WORLD

***HYMN 154 O Lord My God!**

HOW GREAT THOU ART

*** THE BLESSING & SENDING**

*** SUNG AMEN (Hymn 819)**

POSTLUDE

We offer a warm welcome to any visitors. Please join us for tea and coffee in the Hall downstairs after the service. You will be very welcome.

Remember to take your Order of Service with you to stay up to date with all the events taking place at Crown Court Church.

INTIMATIONS:

Sunday 23 November

Sunday morning worship service at 11.15am with Rev Alistair Cumming.

Congregational Meeting following the Sunday morning worship service.

Saturday 29 November

The Rambling and Social Club meeting at 6.30pm in the hall.

Sunday 30 November

No service at Crown Court Church. Combined service at St Columba's Church at 11am. **Please note the earlier time.**

Church Email

If you would like to receive our weekly church email, please contact the church administrator at office@crowncourtchurch.org.uk.

Donations under the Gift Aid Scheme

Visitors who are UK taxpayers are invited to make use of the yellow Gift Aid envelopes which are available both in the pews and at the back of the church. Completed envelopes may be placed in the offering plate.

Congregational Meeting

The congregation is invited to attend a meeting on Sunday, 23 November, following morning worship, for the purpose of appointing a nominating committee.

Sunday 30 November

On Sunday 30 November, there will be **no service** at Crown Court Church. We will be joining St Columba's Church in Pont Street, SW1X 0BD for a St Andrews Day service with guest preacher Rev John Bell. The service begins at 11am.

Prayers & Pastoral Support

If you require pastoral support, please contact your Elder in the first instance. For longer term support, please contact the Pastoral Care Team either by phoning the church office on 020 7836 5643 (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am-2.00pm) or by emailing clerk@crowncourtchurch.org.uk. All information is kept completely confidential.

Christmas Cards 2025

Crown Court Christmas cards are back for 2025 with 2 different designs! The first card is a lovely new image of the Christmas Tree and Candles in the Sanctuary, and the second card is the print of Mia Osawa's Crown Court Church in the snow.

These will be available to purchase in-person after the service in the Church Hall. Cards cost £5.00 for 5 or can be purchased singly at £1.00 each. You can buy them by card or by cash.

If you cannot purchase them in-person, please contact Norma McGoldrick (normamcgoldrick@yahoo.co.uk or 07912 583285) and she will make arrangements for them to be posted to you.

New mugs for Crown Court Church

We are excited to offer new mugs for sale at £7.50 each, available in new colours of blue and yellow. The mugs can be purchased after the Sunday worship service in the hall by either cash or card.

If you unable to come to church to purchase the mugs, please contact Norma McGoldrick (normamcgoldrick@yahoo.co.uk & 07912 583285).

St Andrew's Book Festival 2025

Tickets are now available to purchase for the St Andrew's Book festival. To purchase tickets please visit the following website

<https://www.standrewsbookfestival.org/events>. The first seven events include Nicola Sturgeon, Val McDermid and Irvine Welsh.

The festival is also delighted to announce that on Friday 28 November one of Scotland's true national treasures, broadcaster and author Sally Magnusson, will be hosting a special literary lunch celebrating her spellbinding new novel *The Shapeshifter's Daughter*. For more information, please visit the website <https://www.standrewsbookfestival.org/>.

Can you help us?

We are looking for people to join the duty teams.

Duty is once a month, ideally arriving at church for 10:30am, put orders of services into hymn books which you would hand out or standing at the door welcoming people in. Assisting in taking the offering with the other team members. After the service helping to tidy the church before heading to coffee or home. If you think you can help please speak to the Session Clerk.

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