



CROWN COURT
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
COVENT GARDEN

Christ The King

Sunday 23 November 2025 at 11.15am

Worship is led by Reverend Alistair Cumming

The lessons are read by Matthew Gutteridge

From you, Bethlehem, will come a king for me, one whose origins are far back in the past. He will rise up to lead Israel in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord.

Micah 5: 2, 4

Almighty and everlasting God, it is your will to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King. Grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

* *Indicates where those who are able should stand*

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.

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP

* **HYMN 51 God of hosts you chose a vine**

ST BEES

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 468 Son of God Eternal saviour**

BLAENWERN

SCRIPTURE READING: Daniel 7: 9 – 14 (p. 892)

SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 1:4b – 8 (p. 1233)

ANTHEM *Behold The Tabernacle of God*

HARRIS

SCRIPTURE READING: John 18:33 – 37 (p. 1087)

***HYMN 462 The King of Love my Shepherd is**

DOMINUS REGIT ME

SERMON

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.**

***HYMN 259 Beauty for brokenness**

GOD OF THE POOR

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS AND THE WORLD

***HYMN 512 To God be the Glory**

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

* THE BLESSING & SENDING

*** SUNG AMEN (Hymn 819)**

POSTLUDE

There is a Congregational Meeting following the Sunday morning worship service. Please remain in your pews following the service.

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:

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.**

Wednesday 3 December The Guild meets at 12.15pm for a packed lunch with the talk beginning at 1pm.

Sunday 7 December Sunday morning worship service at 11.15am with Rev Canon Professor Paul Middleton. Holy Communion will be celebrated.

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.

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.

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.

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/>.

Carol Singing in Trafalgar Square

Please join us for our yearly Carol Singing in Trafalgar Square in support of Christian Aid. This year we will be singing on Friday 12 December from 8-9pm. We will gather at 7pm at the Trafalgar Square Christmas Bar for hot chocolate and mulled wine to prepare us for the main event at 8pm.

For further details please contact Christian Aid coordinator, Harry, on harry.mackrill@gmail.com

The Guild

Seasonal quiz sheets are available with a donation to Daisy Chain, a Church of Scotland Crossreach Guild project which supports families and children in Glasgow. Please see Jennifer Laird after the service in the hall to purchase your quiz sheet.

The next meeting of the Guild will be on the 3 December at 1pm.

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).

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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