



CROWN COURT
CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
COVENT GARDEN

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday 25th January 2026 at 11.15am

Worship is led by Sheena-Jane Clark

The lessons are read by: Duncan Henderson

As God has called you, live up to your calling.

Ephesians 4:1

*Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service.
Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lives 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 the minister 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.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, all who seek God’s light!
The Lord calls us out of darkness into hope.

P: **We come, drawn by the promise of God’s presence.**

L: Come, all who long for guidance and courage.
Jesus calls ordinary people to follow Him,
leaving behind what is familiar.

P: **We come, ready to hear His voice and respond
with faithful hearts.**

L: Come, let us worship the God who leads us,
strengthens us, and sends us into the world in love.

P: **Let us worship God together.**

* **HYMN 22 (Psalm 27) The Lord’s my light and my saving health**

BISHOPTHORPE

PRAYERS 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 251 I, the Lord of sea and sky**

HERE I AM, LORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Isaiah 9:1-4 (p. 693)
Psalm 27:4-9 (p. 557)

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 4: 12-23 (p. 968)

*** HYMN 340 When Jesus saw the fishermen**

THE SEVEN JOYS OF MARY

SERMON

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

KELVINGROVE

OFFERING AND DEDICATION

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS AND THE WORLD

*** HYMN 715 Behold! the mountain of the Lord**

GLASGOW

* THE BLESSING & SENDING

* SUNG AMEN (Hymn 819)

POSTLUDE

All are welcome to join us for tea and coffee in the Hall downstairs after the service.

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 1 February

Sunday morning service at 11.15am with Rev Alistair Cumming. Holy Communion will be celebrated

Wednesday 4 February

The Guild meets at 12.15pm for a packed lunch with the meeting starting at 1pm in the hall.

Sunday 8 February

Sunday morning service at 11.15am with Rev Alistair Cumming.

Sunday 15 February

Sunday morning service at 11.15am with Rev Canon Professor Paul Middleton.

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.

Funeral arrangements for Mr James Anderson

As many of you may know, Mr J G B (Jimmy) Anderson, a member and former Elder of Crown Court Church, passed away on 23 December 2025 at the age of 103. Jimmy's funeral will be held at Putney Vale Crematorium, East Chapel on **Wednesday 11 February 2026 at 2.30pm**. This will be followed by a reception in the Residents' Lounge at Kathleen Godfree Court, 80 Queens Road, Wimbledon SW19 8LB.

If you would like to attend the reception, please contact Jimmy's friend Richard Norman to let him know for catering purposes. Richard's contact details are as follows:

Mobile: 07974 159801 Email: nor999@aol.com

For those unable to attend, the service will be livestreamed <https://watch.obitus.com>

Username: tiko1300 Password: 969260

Futures Project: Opening up Works

Over the past few months, we have made excellent progress towards RIBA Stage 3, or the “Spatial Coordination” phase of the project, in which the initial concept design evolves into detailed architectural, structural, and services drawings. This involves some necessary opening up works.

Over the coming weeks, there will be limited investigative openings on all floors of the church in specific areas, centred largely around the Crown Court entrance and the lift area. Any areas to which we need to restrict access temporarily will be clearly marked with signage, and any areas disrupted will be made good by the contractor immediately after investigations are completed.

Chris Grieve & Mary-Jannet Leith, Futures Conveners

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.

Duty Teams

We are looking for people to join the 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.

Used Stamps

Please remember that you can bring your used postage stamps to Crown Court as these are useful to some charities as an income source.

There are designated boxes for the stamps on the lower shelf of the bookcase in the church hall. If possible, please separate them into UK and Overseas categories, as this would be greatly appreciated.

In recent months, we have been donating our used stamps to Mercy Ships. For more information, visit their website: <https://www.mercyships.org.uk/>.

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