

140th Anniversary Services and Appeal

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- I wish to attend the Anniversary service in Birmingham/Zermatt/both
- I wish to give once/monthly/quarterly/annually £/€/CHF _____
- by cheque or draft payable to Intercontinental Church Society
- standing order—please use the form opposite
- bank transfer to ICS's UK or Swiss account (details opposite)*
- Charity voucher CAF standing order* payroll giving*
- MasterCard/Visa credit or debit card/CAF charity card (delete as necessary)

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If the address above is not that on your card statement, please include a note of that address also.

Please tick the boxes that apply to you and sign below

- UK taxpayers only: I want ICS to treat all the donations I make from the date of this declaration as Gift Aid donations, until I notify you otherwise (see Other information).
- Please acknowledge receipt of my gift. (To control costs, we do not normally acknowledge donations unless requested to do so.)
- Please send me ICS's magazine and prayer diary quarterly, and the Zermatt Friends' newsletter (for annual gifts over £15 if possible, please, to cover mailing costs).

Signed _____ Date _____

Standing Orders UK Banks

From (name of account holder): _____

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Account details

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Please pay Barclays Bank plc (20-31-52) of 114 Fenchurch Street, London EC3P 3HY (IBAN: GB31 BARC 2031 5290 5179 68 SWIFT BIC: BARC GB22) for the credit of Intercontinental Church Society (account 90517968) the sum of

£ _____ monthly/quarterly/annually (delete as necessary)

quoting payment ref. (for completion by ICS ONLY)

from the above account number starting on ____ / ____ / 20 ____ until further notice, this instruction cancels any previous order in favour of International Church Society.

Signed _____ Date _____

PLEASE TEAR HERE AND RETURN TO ICS

Helping ICS spread the gospel

Please support the mission of ICS in Zermatt by returning the form, becoming a Friend and praying regularly. You may transfer funds directly into our UK sterling (see left) or Swiss account at the Raiffeisenbank (in Zermatt's main street or at any Swiss post office):

Branch: Raiffeisenbank Mischabel-Matterhorn CH-3924 St Niklaus
Address: Raiffeisenbank, Bahnhofstrasse, CH-3920 Zermatt
Account name: Intercontinental Church Society
Account no.: 68288.35 **Code:** 80496 **Swiss Giro:** 19-2407-5
IBAN: CH46 8049 6000 0068 2883 5 **SWIFT BIC:** RAIF CH22

*Transfers and online banking

So that we can anticipate your gifts and reclaim any tax please send the form back to ICS and instruct your bank or other agency to identify your gift(s) with your name and postcode e.g. D J Brown AB1 2BJ

You may also remember ICS in your will, donate an asset, leave a gift in the box to the right of the exit door, or donate online or by phone. Call Maggie or David at ICS for more information.

Other information UK taxpayers: the value of your gift(s) to ICS can be increased at no extra cost to you by using Gift Aid. You can use Gift Aid if (during a tax year) you pay an amount of UK income or capital gains tax at least equal to the amount of tax we will reclaim on your gift. Please complete the declaration if you are eligible. If your tax position (such that you can no longer use the Gift Aid scheme), name or address changes please notify ICS immediately. We may periodically ask you to reconfirm your tax status. **US taxpayers** can make donations to ICS (a non-profit organisation) through CAFAmerica (over \$500) or DFMS (of any amount) as a tax-deductible gift. Please contact ICS or see www.ics-uk.org. **Donations** will be used for furthering ICS's mission and ministry at St. Peter's and maintenance and improvement of the buildings: should donations exceed the sums required, we will allocate any excess to our general fund in accordance with our donation policy (see web site). **Data Protection:** data about individuals and organisations that ICS is in contact with may be held in its manual or electronic databases for the purposes of pursuing its activities. We may contact you by post, phone or e-mail unless you tell us that you do not wish to be contacted. ICS does not pass mailing lists to unconnected third parties.

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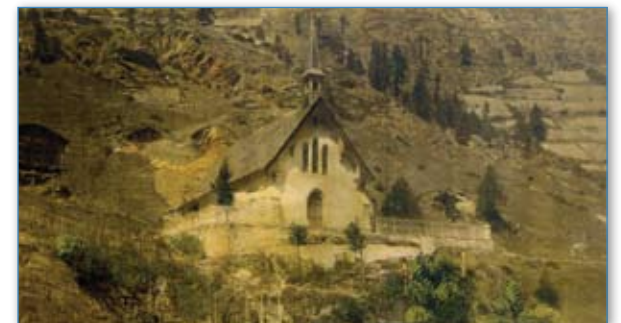
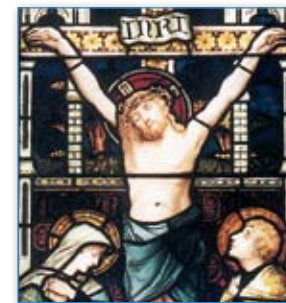
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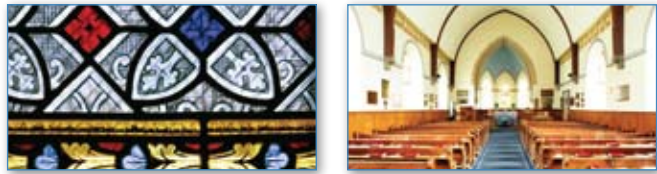


Join us in giving thanks
for God's work in this
special place

Please return the whole form to ICS, not to your bank. Thank you.

140 years of Christian ministry

Since ICS first held church services at Zermatt's 'English Church' in 1870, countless visitors and local people have visited and worshipped at St. Peter's. Many have discovered or rediscovered faith in Christ. Hundreds attend the Christmas services. You may have enjoyed the quietness of St. Peter's, prayed silently, or remembered a loved one there; or be thankful for the witness, support or encouragement of a chaplain.

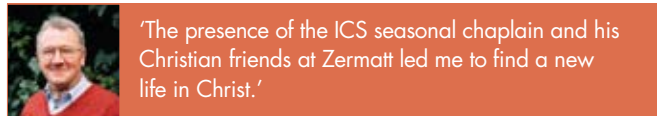


If you have benefitted in any way from, or see the value of, ICS's work amongst Zermatt's English-speaking visitors and residents, then you are warmly invited to join us in giving thanks to God and praying for the future ministry on:

Monday 14 June 2010 at 2 pm, St. Philip's Cathedral, Birmingham, UK following ICS's AGM and annual supporters' meeting (from 11.30 am).

Sunday 11 July 2010 at 10 am, St. Peter's Church, Zermatt.

Please let us know which service(s) you will be attending by e-mailing Jeannette on ajskuse@ics-uk.org or using the form attached: final details will be mailed in advance of the services. More copies of this form, for your friends, are available from either St. Peter's or ICS.



'The presence of the ICS seasonal chaplain and his Christian friends at Zermatt led me to find a new life in Christ.'

If the ministry at St. Peter's has influenced your life, please write to or e-mail us with your story indicating if we may share it with others (anonymously if you wish).

A brief history



From about 1862, Sunday services for English-speaking people were held in Zermatt's Monte Rosa and Mont Cervin hotels. Plans were made in 1865 to build an 'English' church and an appeal for funds was launched. Shortly afterwards, a climbing party led by Edward Whymper made the first successful ascent of the Matterhorn but disaster struck during their descent when a rope broke and four died. Planning for a church continued, and on 29 June 1869 (St. Peter's Day) the foundation stone was laid. On 29 June 1870 the church (pictured) opened for services.



This historic chapel contains many plaques commemorating those who have died in Zermatt or who have made a significant contribution to the work of St. Peter's, e.g. that of Charles Hudson, an Anglican minister who died in the 1865 Matterhorn disaster. His remains now lie beneath the communion table. The church possesses the Bible and Prayer Book used by Hudson whilst a military chaplain during the Crimean War, given by his widow.

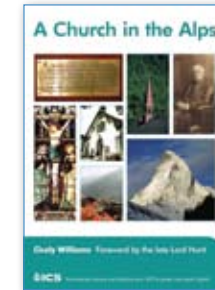
The lectern was presented in memory of Charles Hudson by Emma Young in 1879. The lectern Bible, dedicated in 2003, is inscribed to the memory of Ion Ratiu. Ion was a one-time candidate for the presidency of Romania and the late husband of a former church warden at St. Peter's, Elisabeth Ratiu.



William Lefroy (1836 – 1909), Dean of Norwich (UK), was influential in the building and early ministry of the English churches in Zermatt, Riffelalp (where he is buried), Adelboden and Gletsch.



1925: the Alpine Club of Great Britain paid for a new roof, in memory of its departed members



1970: the centenary of the church's opening was marked by a service and the publication of *A Church in the Alps* by Cicely Williams (updated 2006, on sale in the church or from ICS) whose husband, Bishop Ronald Williams, frequently served as a chaplain.

The church underwent redecoration and renovation in the period from 1997 to 2000

The 150th anniversary of the Alpine Club of Great Britain was marked by a service at St. Peter's on 24 June 2007. The church **today** receives countless visitors (especially in the summer) and the chaplains talk with them about the church and the Christian faith, alongside their care for and outreach to local people, seasonal workers, those they meet in resort and the sick or bereaved.



Enabling future Christian ministry

The ministry at St. Peter's has touched many lives: in thankfulness to God, will you enable ICS to maintain this historic chapel and spread the gospel amongst future generations?

The mission and ministry at St. Peter's is provided and funded by ICS. We depend entirely on voluntary donations to carry out our work: a week's chaplaincy cost over £462 in



2009 just to select, brief, resource and accommodate the volunteer chaplains, keep the church open, and meet other costs such as publicity. *In addition* we have to regularly repair and maintain the church (because of the mountain climate) and chaplain's accommodation, but receive no state help for maintenance. There is no large local congregation to bear these costs, and visitors' gifts cover only a small proportion.

Your one-off gift to the 140th Anniversary Appeal would be a great encouragement and help us continue this ministry to visitors from all over the world. For example £14 provides service books, liturgy and literature for a worshipper; £140 provides a travel grant for a chaplain to serve in Zermatt; £1,400 enables three weeks of chaplaincy, and £14,000 an essential electrical upgrade; £70,000 would create a maintenance reserve, freeing other resources for outreach; £140,000 might enable us to buy a larger chaplaincy flat, better suited to midweek Bible studies etc.! Please be as generous as you can.

Could you give regularly and sustain the ministry? We would be delighted if you would become a Friend of St. Peter's and pray for the ministry regularly using our prayer diary and Friends' newsletter. Just £5 or £10 per month would make a significant difference.

£1 = €1.1 = 1.67 CHF in December 2009.

'Praise the Lord. O my soul, the Lord is good to all and his tender mercies are over all his works.' Psalms 146: 1b and 145: 9

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