

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 27 December 2020 9.45 for 10.00 am

First Sunday After Christmas Order of Service



Call to Worship

Praise CH4 320 Joy to the world

God's Big Plan Revealed - Part One

Prayer of Approach

Lord's Prayer (You might like to unmute yourself for this and remute afterwards)

God's Big Plan Revealed – Part Two

Praise 314 Child in the manger

God's Big Plan Revealed – Part Three

Praise 304 O Little town of Bethlehem

God's Big Plan Revealed – Part Four

The Word of God: St Luke 2:22-40

22 When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

25 Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

33 And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

36 There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

God's Big Plan Revealed – Part Five

Praise 277 Hark the glad sound

God's Big Plan Revealed – Part Six

Communion

Communion Responses

I invite you to join in with the responses at home

Invitation to Communion

Leader: In this feast both familiar and extraordinary

ALL: **Jesus meets us**

Leader: To banish our darkness with his light
ALL: God with us
 Leader: In ancient patterns made new
ALL: His Spirit is here

The Lord be with you
And also with you
 Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
 Let us pray.....

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
In the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.

You are invited at this point to take the piece of bread you have beside you and simply hold it.

Jesus, Lamb of God
Have mercy on us
 Jesus bearer of our sins
Have mercy on us
 Jesus redeemer of the world
Grant us your peace

Communion is shared

Now break and eat the piece of bread that you are holding. Remember the times you have received bread in the sacrament of Holy Communion. Remember those who gathered with you. Remember the presence of Christ in this moment.

Drink the wine set before. Know that Christ shed his blood for the forgiveness of sins. Be assured that you are forgiven and Christ is with you in every moment of your life. Sit silently and allow Christ's love to surround you.

The Peace

Prayers for Others

Praise 301 Hark the herald angels sing

Blessing

Notices

Next Sunday 2 January 2021 9.45am for 10.00am Joint Worship on Zoom (Service commences 10.00am) If you would like to be added to the e-mail list for the link to Sunday's live worship gathering on zoom or join in on your land-line please contact: Rob e-mail sessionclerk@bartholchapel.org or Susanna Tel 851345 or e-mail smbichard@aol.com. Please note that a new link will be created and sent out this week for next year.

Care in the Community if you are aware of anyone in Tarves who needs help of any kind please contact Ruth 851887.

Pastoral Care Please contact the Minister 01651 851295