

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks
Order of Service Sunday 17 April 2022
Easter Sunday

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is Risen

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Praise: CH4 410 Jesus Christ is Risen today

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing,
Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave,
Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured,
Alleluia!
Our salvation has procured; Alleluia!
Now in heaven Christ is King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, all you heavenly host,
Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Lord's prayer

The Word of God

Revelation 22: 1-5

Eden restored

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

John 20: 1-2, 11-18

The empty tomb

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!'

Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying?'

'They have taken my Lord away,' she said, 'and I don't know where they have put him.' ¹⁴ At this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ He asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?'

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.'

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'

She turned towards him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher').

¹⁷ Jesus said, 'Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."'

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!' And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Praise: From the Breaking of the Dawn

From the breaking of the dawn
To the setting of the sun,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
Words of power, strong to save,
That will never pass away,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
For Your covenant is sure,
And on this I am secure,
I can stand on every promise of Your word.

When I stumble and I sin,
Condemnation pressing in,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
You are faithful to forgive,
That in freedom I might live,
So I stand on every promise of Your word.
Guilt to innocence restored:
You remember sins no more!
So I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

When I'm faced with anguished choice,
I will listen for Your voice,

And I'll stand on every promise of Your word.
Through this dark and troubled land
You will guide me with your hand
As I stand on every promise of Your word.
And you've promised to complete
Every work begun in me,
So I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

Hope that lifts me from despair,
Love that casts out every fear,
As I stand on every promise of Your word.
Not forsaken, not alone,
For the Comforter has come,
And I stand on every promise of Your word.
Grace sufficient, grace for me,
Grace for all who will believe,
We will stand on every promise of Your word.

Reflection

Praise: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of

peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings
cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day

Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Prayers for the World

Praise: CH4 419 Thine be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring
Son;
endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death
hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the
stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where
Thy body lay.
*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring
Son; endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er
death hast won.*

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the
tomb.
Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and
gloom;
let His church with gladness hymns of
triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost
its sting.
Thine be.....

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life!!
Life is nought without Thee; aid us in our strife;
make us more than conqu'rors, through Thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.*

Blessing

Notices

Easter Sunday: 6pm worship at Haddo House Chapel

Next Week Sunday 25 April 2nd Sunday in Easter

Sunday Worship 9.30am Tarves This service can also usually be accessed live on Zoom.

11.15am Barthol Chapel

The wearing of masks will no longer be required but please respect in so far as possible the wishes of anyone who wants to maintain physical distancing. Anyone with symptoms of Covid should remain at home. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe.

Annual Stated Meeting: Barthol Chapel 1st May 2022 after worship.

Walk Through Holy Week

4 kirks, 9 sessions, 160 young people, 494 activity bags and one amazing story!! Thank you to each and everyone of you who dressed up, created craft kits, lent a Christmas tree or donated cushions to make our interactive 'Walk through Holy Week' schools' event such an engaging and successful event for the young people of Tarves, Pitmedden, Methlick, and Barthol Chapel primary schools. We have had some fantastic feedback. Thank you.

Unfortunately, it is now time to clear the churches. We plan to meet on Tuesday afternoon at 1.30pm in Tarves and 3pm in Barthol Chapel to return the churches to normal. If you lent us anything, or can spare some time to help then we would appreciate any assistance which you can give us.

The Easter Garden is now outside the church. Please stop for a while to look at our Easter display, created by young people in the community. Reflect on the love and hope in our world. Pray for those you love and those who need to feel love at this time.

Holy Week Intergenerational Events (Games! Stories! Chat! Refreshments!)

What a fantastic week we have had with folks of all ages joining us to celebrate the stories which make up Holy Week.

We have sung songs, planted seeds, walked in parades and had lots of fun. Thank you to everyone who came along to join in.

Pastoral Care Please contact Fiona Lister 07905 770259 whilst Alison is away.