# Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 21 March 2021 9.45 for 10.00 am Fifth Sunday in Lent Order of Service



# **Call to Worship**

You have written your law upon our hearts, and inscribed your love upon our lives; So, we come, whether gathered or scattered, we come to worship you: for we are your people and you are our God.

## Praise CH4 405 We sing the praise of him who died

We sing the praise of him who died, of him who died upon the cross; the sinners hope though all deride – for this we count the world but loss.

Inscribed upon the cross we see in shining letters "God is love"; he bears our sins upon the tree; he brings us mercy from above.

The cross! it takes our guilt away; it holds the fainting spirit up;

it cheers with hope the gloomy day, and sweetens every bitter cup;

It makes the coward spirit brave, And nerves the feeble arm for fight; it takes its terror from the grave, and gilds the bed of death with light;

The balm of life, the cure of woe the measure and the pledge of love, the sinners' refuge here below, the angels' theme in heaven above.

## **Prayers of Approach**

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

#### The Word of God:

#### Jeremiah 31:31-34

31 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

#### John 12:20-33

20 Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

27 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Music CH4 43 O God you are my God alone (Church of Scotland website)

#### Reflection

## **Prayers for Others**

#### Praise CH4 396 And can it be (omit v2)

And can it be, that I should gain an interest in the Saviour's blood?

Died he for me, who caused his pain – for me, who him to death pursued?

Amazing love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above, so free, so infinite his grace – emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race: 'tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him my living head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

## **Blessing**

#### **Notices**

## **Next Sunday 28 March Palm Sunday**

**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

Alison Tel 851295 or e-mail aswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk

For those who have no internet access, covid regulations permitting, Tarves Kirk will be open from 9.45am and the service will be live-streamed into the church from 10.00am. The usual indoor restrictions will apply.

Thursday 25 March 7.00pm Tarves Trustees meeting on Zoom – link to follow

**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

**Musicians/Singers** If you can play an instrument or sing and would like to join the group who provide the music for our worship week by week Katherine would love to hear from you. Email <a href="mailto:Kathbarthol@btinternet.com">Kathbarthol@btinternet.com</a> The contribution which this group makes to our worship week by week is hugely important and greatly valued by everyone.

### **Lent Study**

This year our Lent discussion group is based on the book by Gordon Giles, "At Home in Lent". We meet weekly at 4.00pm on a Wednesday. Please let Alison know if you would like the link for the on-line discussion group.

**Lent Appeal.** Feeling relieved and grateful because you have had your Covid vaccination? Spare a thought for those in countries like Malawi which struggles to afford even basic healthcare. Gordon Presbytery has had a long relationship with Nkhoma Hospital. This year they are budgeting for \$40000 extra expenditure because of Covid. The Presbytery has challenged its congregations to raise £5000 towards this sum during Lent. More information can be found on the Presbytery website.

Cheques payable to "Presbytery of Gordon" (with "Nkhoma Appeal") written on the back can be posted to

Mr W Paterson, Presbytery Treasurer, Ceardach, Whiteford Road, Pitcaple, Inverurie AB51 5EB.

Online donations can be paid to

Presbytery of Gordon Sort Code: 83-28-40 Account No 00237527 Reference Nkhoma Or visit the Just Giving Page – follow this link

https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/Nkhoma

# Journeying Together Through Holy Week

Mon 29 March – Friday 3 April 7.00pm Worshipping together with Methlick and Udny Pitmedden. Communion will be celebrated during worship on Thursday evening – please have a piece of bread and some wine or grape juice to hand. A new link will be generated and circulated next week which will be for all these services. Please feel free to share it with others who may be interested.

# **Messy Easter**

The Messy Church team will deliver Easter- in- a -bag to Messy families at the beginning of Holy Week. Each bag will include the Easter story with a kit to make an Easter garden. If you know of any families who might appreciate a bag, please let Alison know.

## Easter Sunday 5 April

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