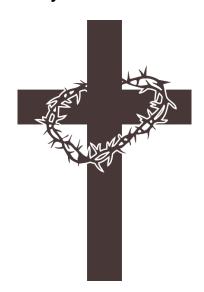
Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 11 April 2021 9.45 for 10.00 am Second Sunday of Easter Order of Service



Call To Worship (Based on Psalm 133). **Leader:** How very good and pleasant it is

All: when we live together in unity!

Leader: Like the blessing of anointing oil

All: may God's blessing upon us spill over that we might know your presence.

Leader: As the dew falls on Hermon and the mountains of Zion,

All: so may the grace of God reveal truth and justice, love and life for evermore.

Leader: Let us, with saints across the generations, worship the risen Lord.

Praise CH4 409 Jesus is risen, alleluia!

Jesus is risen, alleluia!
Worship and praise him, alleluia!
Now our Redeemer bursts from the grave;
lost to the tomb, Christ rises to save.
Come let us worship him, endlessly sing;
Christ is alive and death loses its sting.
Sins are forgiven, alleluia!
Jesus is risen, alleluia!

Buried for three days, destined for death, now he returns to breathe with our breath. Blest are the ears alert to his voice, blest are the hearts which for him rejoice.

"Don't be afraid!" the Angel had said, Why seek the living here with the dead? "Look where he lay, his body is gone, risen and vibrant, warm with the sun".

Go and tell others, Christ is alive."
Love is eternal, faith and hope thrive.
What God intended, Jesus fulfilled;
what God conceives can never be killed.

Let heaven echo, let the earth sing: Jesus is Saviour of everything. All those who trust him, Christ will receive; therefore rejoice, obey and believe!

Prayers of Approach

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

The Word of God: St John 20:19-30

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

Music CH4 752 Alleluia, alleluia

Reflection Rev Dr Andrew Wilson

Prayers for Others

Praise CH4 425 The Saviour died but rose again

The Saviour died, but rose again triumphant from the grave; and pleads our cause at God's right hand, omnipotent to save.

Who then can e'er divide us more from Jesus and his love, or break the sacred chain that binds the earth to heaven above?

Let troubles rise, and terrors frown, and days of darkness fall;

Through him all dangers we'll defy, and more than conquer all.

Nor death nor life, nor earth nor hell, nor times destroying sway, Can e'er efface us from his heart, or make his love decay.

Each future period that will bless, as it has blessed the past: he loved us from the first of time, he loves us to the last.

Blessing

Notices

Next Sunday 21 March

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, 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.

Tuesday 13 April 7.00pm Tarves Session meeting on Zoom – link to be circulated. **Tuesday 20 April 7.30pm** Barthol Chapel Board and Session meetings on Zoom – link to be circulated.

Pastoral Care Please contact the Minister 01651 851295

Lent Appeal. Thanks to all those who so generously supported this Appeal. Thanks to the generosity of people in this Presbytery and others Nkhoma hospital have been able to meet their additional Covid budget and vaccinations of staff at Nkhoma Hospital have begun. More information can be found on the Presbytery website.