

Barthol Chapel and Tarves

Sunday 25 July 2021 9.45 for 10.00 am



Introduction

We will be celebrating communion this Sunday. Please have to hand a piece of bread and some wine or grape juice.

Call to Worship

Leader: God alone holds true power

All: As we worship today

May God's healing Spirit

Rest upon those who have been hurt,

and bring assurance to those who are anxious.

Leader: May God speak to us words of wisdom, and direct our understanding

**All: that we might learn how better to live in community with each other,
and with God.**

Leader: Let us worship God

Praise CH4 172 Sing for God's glory

Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn
of creation,
racing across the sky, trailing bright clouds
of elation;
sun of delight
succeeds the velvet of night,
warming the earth's exaltation.

Sing for God's justice disturbing each
easy illusion,
tearing down tyrants and putting our pride
to confusion;
Lifeblood of right,
resisting evil and slight,
offering freedom's transfusion.

Sing for God's power that shatters the
chains that would bind us,
searing the darkness of fear and despair
that could blind us,
touching our shame
with love that will not lay blame,
reaching out gently to find us.

Sing for God's saints who have travelled
faith's journey before us,
who in their weariness give us their hope
to restore us;
In them we see
the new creation to be,
Spirit of love made flesh for us.

Prayers of Approach

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

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The Word of God 2 Samuel 11:1-15

11 In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

2 It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. ³David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' ⁴So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. ⁵The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.'

6 So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David. ⁷When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. ⁸Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. ⁹But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. ¹⁰When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house', David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' ¹¹Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' ¹²Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, ¹³David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

14 In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. ¹⁵In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

Reflection

Music In Christ Alone

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 and Ourselves

Praise CH4 519 Love Divine All loves excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling,
 joy of heaven,
 to earth come down,
 fix in us thy humble dwelling,
 all thy faithful mercies crown.
 Jesus, thou art all compassion,
 pure, unbounded love thou art;
 visit us with thy salvation,
 enter every trembling heart.

Come almighty to deliver;
 let us all thy life receive;
 Suddenly return, and never,
 never more thy temples leave.
 Thee we would be always blessing,
 Serve thee as thy hosts above,
 pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
 glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see the great salvation
perfectly restored in thee,

changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder love and praise.

Blessing

Notices

This Sunday

Please note that we are using a different link this Sunday – contact Alison or Rob for details.

Next 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, 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, viz, hand-sanitising, wearing of masks and physical distancing.

Wednesday 7.30pm Parish Grouping Prayer Group on Zoom. For link or to find out more please contact Alison Tel 851295 or e-mail aswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk

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