

Order of Service Sunday 05 September 2021

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks

Call to Worship

Merciful Lord

Praise Your Holy Name.

You created the universe out of love

Praise Your Holy Name.

We live only by Your grace and love

Praise Your Holy Name.

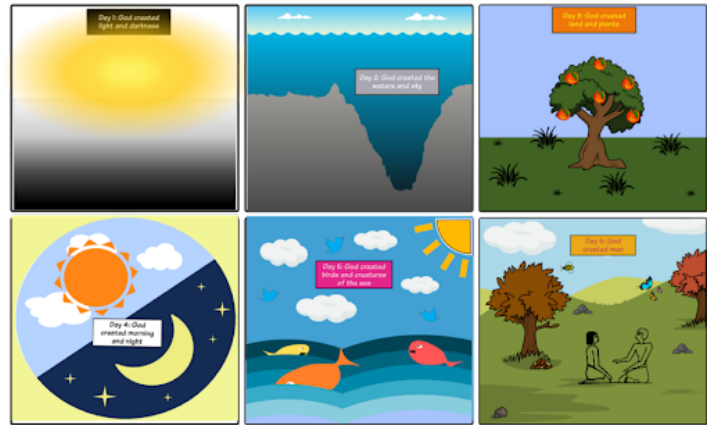
In Your image and likeness,

You created us to form relationships
with others.

Praise Your Holy Name.

With thankful hearts, we worship You

Praise Your Holy Name for evermore.



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Praise CH4 149 Let all creation dance

1. Let all creation dance

In energies sublime,

As order turns with chance,

Unfolding space and time;

For nature's art

In glory grows

And newly shows

God's mind and heart.

2. Our own amazing earth,

With sunlight, cloud and storms,

And life's abundant growth

In lovely shapes and forms

Is made for praise

A fragile whole

And from its soul

Heaven's music plays.

3. Lift heart and soul and voice:

In Christ all praises meet,

And nature shall rejoice

As all is made complete.

In hope be strong,

All life befriend,

And kindly tend creation's song.

Prayers of Approach

Tarves Parish Church of Scotland. Registered Charity: SC 017161

CCLI: 2417487, 2417504, 241749

Barthol Chapel Parish Church of Scotland. Registered Charity: SC 010960

Lord's Prayer

The Word of God St Mark 7:24-37 (The Message)

From there Jesus set out for the vicinity of Tyre. He entered a house there where he didn't think he would be found, but he couldn't escape notice. He was barely inside when a woman who had a disturbed daughter heard where he was. She came and knelt at his feet, begging for help. The woman was Greek, Syro-Phoenician by birth. She asked him to cure her daughter.

²⁷ He said, "Stand in line and take your turn. The children get fed first. If there's any left over, the dogs get it."

²⁸ She said, "Of course, Master. But don't dogs under the table get scraps dropped by the children?"

²⁹⁻³⁰ Jesus was impressed. "You're right! On your way! Your daughter is no longer disturbed. The demonic affliction is gone." She went home and found her daughter relaxed on the bed, the torment gone for good.

³¹⁻³⁵ Then he left the region of Tyre, went through Sidon back to Galilee Lake and over to the district of the Ten Towns. Some people brought a man who could neither hear nor speak and asked Jesus to lay a healing hand on him. He took the man off by himself, put his fingers in the man's ears and some spit on the man's tongue. Then Jesus looked up in prayer, groaned mightily, and commanded, "Ephphatha!—Open up!" And it happened. The man's hearing was clear and his speech plain—just like that.

³⁶⁻³⁷ Jesus urged them to keep it quiet, but they talked it up all the more, beside themselves with excitement. "He's done it all and done it well. He gives hearing to the deaf, speech to the speechless."

Reflection

Music 'Under the sun' by New Scottish Hymns

Under the sun
We sow and hope to harvest
We labour on
Until the evening darkness
Bids us cease
To rest in peace

Naked we come
Into a world that's broken
Unworthy ones
But by the Word he's spoken
Fed and dressed
Sustained and blessed

Under the sun
In vain we search for meaning
and much afraid
He made our restless souls for dreaming
Oh grant us grace
Oh God do not abandon us to fade
Under the sun

Under the sun
There is a time for laughter
And when it's done
A time for grieving after
Joy to pain
Resolves again

Under the sun
The fall is all around us
We are undone
Let mercy come and find us
Sinking there
Beyond repair

Under the sun
In vain we search for healing
Unholy ones
How can our hearts regain their feeling?
Be born again
Oh God do not abandon us to fade
Under the sun.

His only son
In weakness he was willing
To overcome
The sentence of our soul's rebelling
He gave himself
Our God did not abandon us to fade
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Prayers for others

Praise CH4 522 The church is wherever God's people are praising

1 The Church is wherever God's people are praising,
knowing they're wanted and loved by their Lord.
The Church is wherever Christ's followers are trying
to live and to share out the good news of God.

2 The Church is wherever God's people are loving,
where all are forgiven and start once again,
where all are accepted, whatever their background,
whatever their past and whatever their pain.

3 The Church is wherever God's people are seeking
to reach out and touch folk wherever they are --
conveying the Gospel, its joy and its comfort,
to challenge, refresh, and excite and inspire.

4 The Church is wherever God's people are praising,
knowing we're wanted and loved by our Lord.
The Church is where we as Christ's followers are trying
to live and to share out the good news of God.

Blessing

Notices

Sunday 12 September Morning Worship conducted by Fiona Lister All Welcome

9.30am Tarves Kirk The Church will be laid out café-style and coffee will be served after worship. The service can also be accessed live on Zoom.

11.15am Barthol Chapel Gather from 10.45am. Bring your own coffee.

Please note that certain restrictions will still apply - hand-sanitising, wearing of masks and Contact and Trace. 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.

Alpha – Zoom Alpha starts soon

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of weekly sessions where you can explore the Christian faith in an open-minded and welcoming environment.

There's no cost, and no pressure. Just lots of great conversation and space to think.

Each session includes food, a short talk, and time of discussion where you can share your thoughts about what you've heard.

Whatever questions you've got, you can ask them at Alpha.

Starts Wednesday 15 September at 7.30

To get the Zoom link see www.methlickparishchurch.co.uk

Pastoral Care From 5 September – 13 September please contact Rev Dr Will Stalder 01651 806264.

Tarves Kirk Session meets on Zoom 15 September at 7.00pm