## **Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks**

# Order of Service Sunday 20 March 2022 Third Sunday in Lent



## **Call to Worship**

Leader: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned.

ALL: Those who trust in the Lord are protected by his constant love

Leader: You who are forgiven, be glad and rejoice

ALL: We will be glad and rejoice because of what the Lord has done

Leader: Let us worship God

## Praise: CH4 160 Omit v4 Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; F to his feet thy tribute bring; w ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? R Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us Rescues us from all our foes; Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels help us to adore him; Ye behold him face to face; Sun and moon bow down before him; Dwellers all in time and space. Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace.

# Prayers of Approach Lord's Prayer

# Meet Caroline, our FYP Youth Development Worker

## The Word of God St Matthew 18:21-35

- 21 Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.
- 23 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup>When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten

thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup>and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." <sup>29</sup>Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." <sup>30</sup>But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup>Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" <sup>34</sup>And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup>So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

#### Praise CH4 485 Omit v2 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Dear Lord and Father of mankind forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind; in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence praise.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee! O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!

With that deep hush subduing all our words and works that drown the tender whisper of thy call,

as noiseless let thy blessing fall as fell thy manna down.

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm!

#### Reflection

## Praise CH4 361 Forgiveness is your gift

Forgiveness is your gift, both cleansing and renewing, to catch us when we drift, our base desires pursuing; And hug us back to life and bring us to a feast where all will celebrate the life your love released.

Your grace goes out to meet the sinful and the doubting, your arms and dancing feet speak louder than all shouting: O God, how great your love which takes us empty in and, with our worth unproved, let's better life begin.

#### **Prayers for Others**

# Praise CH4 566 When I receive the peace of Christ

When I received the peace of Christ my loneliness shall end; and I must reach a hand and take my brother as a friend-my brother as a friend indeed who has an honoured place where he may stand before the Lord in dignity and grace.

When I receive the peace of Christ my loneliness shall end; and I must reach a hand and take my sister as a friend-my sister as a friend indeed who has an honoured place where she may stand before the Lord in dignity and grace.

When I receive the peace of Christ my loneliness shall end;
And I must reach a hand and take my own self as a friend-my own self as a friend indeed who has an honoured place where I may stand before the Lord in dignity and grace.

When I receive the peace of Christ my loneliness shall end and I must reach a hand and take Christ Jesus as a friend-Christ Jesus as a friend indeed who has an honoured place where now he stands among us all in dignity and grace.

## **Blessing**

### **Notices**

Please take a lateral flow test before coming to church. If it is positive please join on Zoom. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe.

## **Next Week Sunday 27 March**

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

## 11.15am Barthol Chapel

Please note that certain restrictions will still apply, viz, negative lateral flow test, hand-sanitising, wearing of masks. 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 and join us on Zoom.

Tuesday 22 March 7.30pm Barthol Chapel Congregational Board and Kirk Session in person in the Church

**Wednesday 23 March 7.30pm Lent Studies** continue on Zoom. Link available from Alison or Fiona.

Pastoral Care Please contact Alison 01651 851295.