

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks
Order of Service Sunday 10 July 2022



Call to Worship

Leader: Sing aloud to God our strength;

All: Shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

Leader: Raise a song, sound the tambourine,
the sweet lyre with the harp.

All: we come with grateful hearts into God's presence.

Leader: Let us worship God,

Praise: CH4 225 Summer suns are glowing

Summer Suns are glowing
over land and sea;
Happy light is flowing,
bountiful and free.
Everything rejoices
in the mellow rays;
All earth's thousand voices
swell the psalm of praise.

Lord, upon our blindness
your pure radiance pour;
For your loving kindness
make us love you more.
And, when clouds are drifting
dark across the sky,
then, the veil uplifting,
Father, still be nigh.

See God's mercy streaming
over all the world,
and his banner gleaming,
everywhere unfurled.
Broad and deep and glorious,
as the heaven above,
shines in might victorious
his eternal love.

We will never doubt you,
though you veil your light;
Life is dark without you
death with you is bright.
Light of light, shine o'er us
on our pilgrim way;
Still go on before us
to the endless day.

Prayers of Approach
Lord's Prayer

Setting the Scene - Ethical Questions for Discussion

1. Do you think character matters?
2. Do you think the end justifies the means?

The Word of God Psalm 82

¹ God has taken his place in the divine council;

in the midst of the gods he holds judgement:

² 'How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?

³ Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.

⁴ Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.'

⁵ They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶ I say, 'You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;

⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.'

⁸ Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!

Matthew 5:1-12

⁵ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³ 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵ 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷ 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸ 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Praise CH4 482 Come, let us to the Lord our God

Come, let us to the Lord our God
with contrite hearts return;
our God is gracious, nor will leave
the desolate to mourn.

His voice commands the tempest forth,
and stills the stormy wave;
His arm is sure and strong to smite,
but also strong to save.

Long has the night of sorrow reigned,
the dawn shall bring us light:
God shall appear, and we shall rise
with gladness in his sight.

Our hearts, if God we seek to know,
shall know him, and rejoice;
His coming like the morn shall be,
the morning songs his voice.

As dew upon the tender herb
diffusing fragrance round;
as showers that usher in the spring
and cheer the thirsty ground.

So shall his presence bless our souls,
And shed a joyful light;
That hallowed morn shall chase away
the sorrows of the night.

Reflection

Praise CH4 259 Beauty for brokenness

Beauty for brokenness,
hope for despair,
Lord, in the suffering
this is our prayer.
Bread for the children,
justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset
your Kingdom increase.

Shelter for fragile lives,
cures for their ills,
work for the craftsmen,
trade for their skills.
Land for the dispossessed,
rights for the weak,
voices to plead the cause
of those who can't speak.

*God of the poor,
friend of the weak,
give us compassion, we pray,
melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love
from a spark to a flame.*

Refuge from cruel wars,
havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary,
freedoms to share.

Peace to the killing fields,
scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness,
his cross for the pain.

Rest for the ravaged earth,
oceans and streams,
plundered and poisoned,
our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness,
carelessness, greed;
make us content with
the things that we need.

God of the poor...

Lighten our darkness,
breathe on this flame,
until your justice
burns brightly again;
until the nations
learn of your ways,
seek your salvation
and bring you their praise.

God of the poor.....

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Dedication and Intercession

Praise CH4 497 Almighty Father of all things that be

Almighty father of all things that be,
Our life, our work, we consecrate to thee,
whose heavens declare thy glory from
above,
whose earth below is witness to thy love.

For well we know this weary, fallen earth
is yet thine own by right of its new birth,
since that great cross up reared on
Calvary
redeemed it from its fault and shame to
thee.

Then grant us Lord, in all things thee to
own
to dwell within the shadow of thy throne
to speak and work, to think, and live, and
move,
reflecting thine own nature which is love;

That so, by Christ redeemed from sin and
shame,
and hallowed by thy Spirit's cleansing
flame,
ourselves, our work, and all our powers
may be
a sacrifice acceptable to thee.

Blessing

Notices

Next Week Sunday 17 July 2022

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

11.15am Barthol Chapel

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