

**Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks**  
**Order of Service Sunday 18 September**  
**Joint Worship 10.00am Tarves**



**‘The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great it.’ Matthew 13:45-46**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: In time of light, in time of darkness,

**ALL: We gather in this place.**

Leader: Seeking the solace of faith,

**ALL: And to be found by the mercy of the living God.**

Leader: With tears and with laughter,

**ALL: With the memories of the long years,**

Leader: On this day we share that which is good

**ALL: And that which brings us comfort and hope.**

**Praise: CH4 160 Praise my soul, the King of heaven (Omit v4)**

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise should sing?  
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

### Formartine Youth Project Update

#### Praise 358 The great love of God is revealed in the Son

The great love of God is revealed in the  
Son,  
Who came to this world to redeem  
everyone.  
That love, like a stream flowing clear to  
the sea,  
Makes clean every heart that from sin  
would be free.

It binds the whole world, every barrier it  
breaks,  
The hills, it lays low, the mountains it  
shakes.  
It's yours, it is ours, see how lavishly given  
—  
The pearl of great price, and the treasure  
of heaven!

#### The Word of God: Hebrews 13:7-16

*7 Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. 9 Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings; for it is well for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by regulations about food, which have not benefited those who observe them. 10 We have an altar from which those who officiate in the tent have no right to eat. 11 For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. 12 Therefore Jesus also suffered outside the city gate in order to sanctify the people by his own blood. 13 Let us then go to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. 14 For here we have no lasting city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. 15 Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. 16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.*

#### Revelation 21:1-4, 15, 21-24

*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; 4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'*

*15 The angel who talked to me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls.....*

<sup>21</sup>And the twelve gates are twelve pearls, each of the gates is a single pearl, and the street of the city is pure gold, transparent as glass. <sup>22</sup>I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

### **Praise 694 Brother, sister let me serve you**

Brother, sister, let me serve you,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
till we've seen this journey through.

We are pilgrims on a journey,  
and companions on the road;  
We are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.

When we sing to God in heaven  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ love and agony.

I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.

Brother sister let me serve you,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace  
to let you be my servant too.

### **Reflection**

#### **Praise: CH4 159 Lord for the years**

Lord, for the years your love has kept and  
guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our  
way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and  
provided,  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks  
today.

Lord for that word, the Word of life which  
fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls  
ablaze,  
teachers and trains, rebukes us and  
inspires us,  
Lord of the word, receive your people's  
praise.

Lord for our land, in this our generation,  
Spirits oppressed by pleasure wealth and  
care;  
For young and old, for commonwealth and  
nation,  
Lord of our land be pleased to hear our  
prayer.

Lord, for our world; When we disown and  
doubt him,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in  
pain;  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without  
him,  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may  
reign.

Lord, for ourselves; In living power remake  
us,  
self on the cross and Christ upon the  
throne;

Past put behind us, for the future take us,  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

### **Prayers of Thanksgiving, Dedication and Intercession**

#### **Praise CH4 740 (vs1,2,4,8) For all the saints**

For all the saints, who from their labours  
rest;  
Who thee by faith before the world  
confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and  
their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-  
fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear their one  
true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from oceans  
farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the  
countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **Blessing**

#### **Notices**

##### **Worship Arrangements for Autumn/Winter**

The Kirk Sessions have agreed that for the next few months Barthol Chapel and Tarves will have united morning worship services at Tarves at 10.00am. This service will normally be accessible on Zoom.

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.

**Bible Study The Miraculous Signs in John's Gospel** Thursday evenings 1 September to 13 October 7.30pm on Zoom or in person Thursday mornings 1 September to 13 October 10.30am Tarves vestry.

**Tuesday Coffee Morning** in the Kirk at 10.00am with **Tarves Tots** commencing 9.30am.

**Praise Band** Friday Evenings 7.00pm to 8.30pm. All singers and instrumentalists welcome.

**Pastoral Care** Please contact Alison