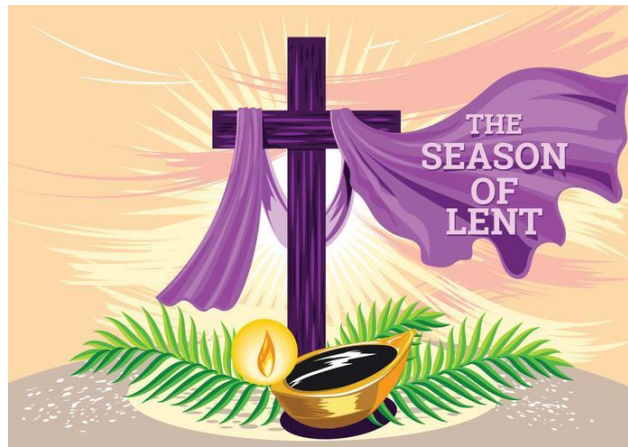


Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks
Order of Service Second Sunday in Lent 5 March 2023
Joint Worship 10.00am Tarves



Call to Worship for Lent

Leader: Creator God, waking in the garden
ALL: Breathe life into us
 Leader: Tempted God, praying in the desert
ALL: Breathe life into us
 Leader: Holy God, travelling towards the city
ALL: Breathe life into us
 Leader: Mysterious God, maker and encourager
ALL: Surprise us with angels
 Leader: Revealing God, Questioner and caller
ALL: Surprise us with stories
 Leader: Breathing God, dancer and delighter
ALL: Surprise us with joy

Praise CH4 52 (Psalm 84)How lovely is thy dwelling place

How lovely is thy dwelling place, o Lord of hosts, to me!	hath found her place to nest;
The tabernacle's of thy Grace, how pleasant, Lord, they be!	Even thine own altars, where she safe her young ones forth may bring, O Thou almighty Lord of hosts, who art my God and King.
My thirsty soul long's vehemently, yea faints, by courts to see: my very heart and flesh cry out, o living God, for thee.	Blest are they in thy house who dwell, they ever give thee praise. And blest are they whose strength thou art, in whose heart are thy ways.
Behold, the sparrow findeth out an house wherein to rest; the swallow also for herself	

Prayers of Approach
Lord's Prayer

Praise CH4 485 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

In simple trust like theirs who heard
 Beside the Syrian sea
 The gracious calling of the Lord
 Let us like them obey His word
 Rise up and follow me

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
 Oh 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!

The Word of God Psalm 32

¹ *Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,*

whose sin is covered.

² *Happy are those to whom
 the LORD imputes no iniquity,
 and in whose spirit there is no deceit.*

³ *While I kept silence, my body wasted
 away*

through my groaning all day long.

⁴ *For day and night your hand was heavy
 upon me;
 my strength was dried up as by the heat
 of summer.*

Selah

⁵ *Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
 and I did not hide my iniquity;
 I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to
 the LORD',
 and you forgave the guilt of my sin.*

Selah

⁶ *Therefore let all who are faithful
 offer prayer to you;*

*at a time of distress, the rush of mighty
 waters*

shall not reach them.

⁷ *You are a hiding-place for me;
 you preserve me from trouble;
 you surround me with glad cries of
 deliverance.*

Selah

⁸ *I will instruct you and teach you the way
 you should go;*

I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹ *Do not be like a horse or a mule, without
 understanding,
 whose temper must be curbed with bit
 and bridle,*

else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰ *Many are the torments of the wicked,
 but steadfast love surrounds those who
 trust in the LORD.*

¹¹ *Be glad in the LORD and rejoice,
 O righteous,
 and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.*

Matthew 3:16-4:11

¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' ⁴Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴But he answered, 'It is written,
 "One does not live by bread alone,
 but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." ' ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,
 "He will command his angels concerning you",
 and "On their hands they will bear you up,
 so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." ' ⁷Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ' ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,
 "Worship the Lord your God,
 and serve only him." ' ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Praise CH4 338 Jesus tempted in the desert (Tune Abbotsleigh)

Jesus, tempted in the desert,
 lonely, hungry, filled with dread:
 "Use your power," the tempter tells him;
 "turn these barren rocks to bread!"
 "Not alone by bread," he answers,
 "can the human heart be filled.
 Only by the Word that calls us
 is our deepest hunger stilled!"

Jesus, tempted at the temple,
 high above its ancient wall:
 "throw yourself from lofty turret;
 angels wait to break your fall!"
 Jesus shuns such empty marvels,
 feats that fickle crowds request:
 "God, whose grace protects, preserves us,
 we must never vainly test".

Jesus, tempted on the mountain
 by the lure of vast domain:
 "Fall before me! Be my servant!
 Glory, fame, you're sure to gain!"
 Jesus sees the dazzling vision,
 turns his eyes another way:
 "God alone deserves our homage!
 God alone will I obey."

When we face temptation's power,
 lonely, struggling, filled with dread,
 Christ, who knew the tempter's hour,
 Come and be our living bread.
 By your grace, protect, preserve us
 lest we fall, your trust betray.
 Yours, above all other voices,
 be the Word we hear, obey.

Reflection**Praise CH4 392 When I survey the wondrous cross**

When I survey the wondrous cross
 on which the Prince of Glory died,
 my richest gain I count but loss,
 and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
 save in the death of Christ, my God;
 All the vain things that charm me most,
 I sacrificed them to his blood.

See! From his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'err such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Prayers for Others

Praise 363 We have a gospel to proclaim

We have a gospel to proclaim,
good news for all throughout the earth;
the gospel of a saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn –
empty the tomb, for he was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem
not in a royal house or hall
but in a stable dark and dim
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified.
He sends his Spirit on his Church
to live for him, the lamb who died.

Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the cross;
for all he loved his life he gave.

Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel- message we proclaim:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Closing Words

Leader: Loving God,
ALL: Keep our eyes on the prize
Leader: Lord Jesus
ALL: Keep our eyes on the prize
Leader: Holy Spirit
ALL: Keep our eyes on the prize
Leader: We are journeying home to God

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. Anyone with symptoms of Covid should remain at home and join us on Zoom. In Church please respect in so far as possible the wishes of anyone who wants to maintain physical distancing.

Lent Discussion Group "The Third Day" Meet 9.30-10.30am Saturday mornings Tarves Manse over Coffee and Rowies. All Welcome but for catering purposes it would be helpful to know in advance if you are coming. For further information contact aswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk

Formartine Youth Project

Youthscape Essentials Training Course for all interested in working with children and young people. The course will run as five Saturday afternoon sessions 1-5.30pm in Pitmedden Church (AB41 7PS) : Feb 18th, March 18th, April 22nd, May 27th, June 24th. Email carolinefyp@outlook.com to register interest or if you have any questions.

Walk through Holy Week

Our Interactive Holy Week walk through experience for schools is fast approaching and we need a couple more volunteers across all churches please to help share this experience and be part of the team either dressing up and role play, leading teaching, guiding the craft activity or general assistance.

We are in Pitmedden all day on Monday 20th and afternoon of the 21st

Methlick morning of Tuesday 21st

and Tarves all day Wednesday 22nd.

If you can come for all or part of any day we would love your support.

We are also needing some artificial christmas trees, large potted plants, grey and green material or blankets, neutral coloured cushions and earthenware type pottery.

Please contact Caroline Brown - Youth Worker (carolinefyp@outlook.com) - many of the congregation/elders have my details!

Tuesday Coffee Morning in the Kirk at 10.00am

Thursday Tarves Tots in the Kirk commencing 9.30am

Pastoral Care - Please contact Mrs Susanna Bichard Tel 01651 851345