



Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks

Order of Service

Sunday 30 July 2023 10.00am

Call to Worship

Leader: The Kingdom of God is

ALL: WITHIN US ALL

Leader: The Kingdom of God is

ALL: FOUND IN THE MOST SURPRISING PLACES

Leader: The Kingdom of God is

ALL: SMALL BUT VERY PRECIOUS

Leader: The Kingdom of God is

ALL: HERE AND NOW, YET STILL TO COME.

Leader: Let us worship God who reigns over the Kingdom.

Praise 59 Oh, come, and let us to the Lord

Oh, come, and let us to the Lord

in songs our voices raise,

with joyful noise let us the Rock

of our salvation praise.

Let us before his presence come

with praise and thankful voice;

let us sing psalms to him with grace,

and make a joyful noise:

For God, a great God, and great King,

above all gods he is.

Depths of the earth are in his hand,
the strength of hills is his.

To him the spacious sea belongs,
for he the same did make;
The dry land also from his hands
it's form at first did take.

Oh, come, and let us worship him,
let us bow down withal,
and on our knees before the Lord
our Maker let us fall.

Prayer of Approach Lord's Prayer

Praise 349 Jesus said, "If you have faith"

*In our lives plant seeds of hope,
in our homes plant seeds of love,
in our church plant seeds of joy.
Tell the world about God's love,
tell the world about God's love.*

Jesus said, "if you have faith
small as a mustard seed,
in my name you'll do great things,
you'll do great things indeed."

"If a seed falls to the ground,
lies buried like the grain",

Jesus said, "until it dies
it cannot grow again."

Jesus told the story of
the seed the sower, sows,
"Listen to my Father's words
and then your faith will grow."

"Some words fall among the thorns
and some on stony ground;
Some are carried off and lost,
but others find good ground."

The Word of God: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

31 He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

33 He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'.....

44 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.'

45 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.'

47 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

51 'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' ⁵²And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

Praise 189 Be still

Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found –
we stand on holy ground.
Be still,
for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

Be still,
for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:

how awesome is the sight –
our radiant king of light!
Be still,
for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still,
for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace:
no work too hard for him –
in faith receive from him.
Be still,
for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Reflection

The Yeast Meditation (of one of the crowd following Jesus) by Nick Fawcett

Praise 655 For your generous providing

For your generous providing
Which sustains us all our days,
For your Spirit here residing,
We proclaim our heartfelt praise.
Through the depths of joy and sorrow,

Though the road be smooth or rough,
Fearless, we can face tomorrow
For your grace will be enough.

Hush our world's seductive noises
Tempting us to stand alone;
Save us from the siren voices
Calling us to trust our own.
For those snared by earthly treasure,
Lured by false security,
Jesus, true and only measure,
Spring the trap to set folk free.

Round the table, through your giving,
Show us how to live and pray
Till your kingdom's way of living
Is the bread we share each day:
Bread for us and for our neighbour,
Bread for body, mind, and soul,
Bread of heaven and human labour –
Broken bread that makes us whole.

Communion

Invitation to Communion

Leader: In this feast both familiar and extraordinary

ALL: Jesus meets us

Leader: To banish our darkness with his light

ALL: God with us

Leader: In ancient patterns made new

ALL: His Spirit is here

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Let us pray.....

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes

In the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus, Lamb of God

Have mercy on us

Jesus bearer of our sins

Have mercy on us

Jesus redeemer of the world

Grant us your peace

Communion is shared

The Peace

Prayers for Others

Praise 512 To God be the glory
To God be the glory, great things he
has done!

So loved he the world that he gave us
his Son,

Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give him the glory! Great things he has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
For every offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our joy and our wonder, when Jesus we see.

Benediction

Notices

Worship Arrangements

Barthol Chapel and Tarves will have united morning worship services at Tarves at 10.00am. This service will normally be accessible on Zoom.

FYP Summer Holiday Fun with Formartine Churches

Friday 4 August 10.00am Methlick Church

Tarves Tuesday Coffee Mornings 10.00 – 11.00am. All welcome.

Pastoral Care: Please contact the minister.