



Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks

Order of Service

Easter Sunday 9 April 2023

Tarves 10.00am

Call to Worship

With sung response 752 Alleluia

*Stop! Did you hear it:
the stone roll,
the grave clothes being folded,
the body rise,
it was like a whispered 'alleluia'
in the stillness of the dawn,
but it was real
Alleluia.*

All Sing "Alleluia".

*Did you hear it:
the angel's muffled laughter
as the women reached the tomb,
the dawn break over the garden
revealing footprints in the dew,
the mountains bow in slow grandeur
As an earthquake makes the ground
quiver*

Praise 410 Jesus Christ is risen today
Jesus Christ is risen today, *Alleluia!*
Our triumphant holiday, *Alleluia!*
Who did once, upon the cross, *Alleluia!*
Suffered to redeem our loss. *Alleluia!*

Hymns of praise then let us sing
unto Christ, our heavenly King,
who endured the cross and grave,
sinners to redeem and save.

*just out the corner of your eye,
it was like something shifting
at the edge of your sight,
but it was real
Alleluia.*

Sing "Alleluia".

*Did you hear it:
the world holds it's breath,
the stars hesitate,
the sun lingers,
creation fill it's lungs,
the air swells
so that the whole earth can
proclaim: 'Christ is risen'.
This is resurrection morning!*

Leader: Christ is risen

ALL: He is risen indeed! Alleluia

But the anguish he endured
our salvation has procured;
Now in heaven Christ is king,
where the angels ever sing.

Sing we to our God above
praise eternal as his love;
praise him, all you heavenly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Approach Lord's Prayer

Praise 426 All heaven declares
All heaven declares
the glory of the risen Lord;
who can compare
with the beauty of the Lord?
Forever he will be
the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee,
and worship him alone.

I will proclaim
the glory of the risen Lord,
who once was slain
to reconcile the world to God.
Forever you will be
the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee
and worship you alone.

**The Word of God :
Psalm 118:1,14-24**

¹ *O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!*

¹⁴ *The LORD is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.*

¹⁵ *There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:*

'The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;

¹⁶ *the right hand of the LORD is exalted;
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.'*

¹⁷ *I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.*

¹⁸ *The LORD has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.*

¹⁹ *Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.*

²⁰ *This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.*

²¹ *I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.*

²² *The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.*

²³ *This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.*

²⁴ *This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Matthew 28:1-10

²⁸After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

Big Questions

Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith (stand and say together)

**Christ has died, Christ has risen
In Christ shall all be made alive
Blessing and honour and glory and power
Be to our God
Forever and ever
Amen**

Praise 413 The Day of Resurrection

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The passover of gladness,
the passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;

And, listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful
and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen,
our Joy that has no end.

Reflection

Praise 411 Christ the Lord is risen today

"Christ the Lord is risen today",
all on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply.
Love's redeeming work is done,
fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er;
Lo! he sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ has burst the gates of hell:
death in vain forbids his rise;
Christ has opened Paradise.

Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O Death, is now thy sting?
Once he died, our souls to save;
Where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led,
following our exalted Head;
made like him, like him we rise;
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given;
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection Thou!

Prayers for others at Easter time

Poem: "Not for millions a placid Easter" by Peter and Dorothy Miller

Praise: 419 Thine be the glory
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;

angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave- clothes, where thy body lay.
*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love:
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Benediction

Notices

Today

6.00pm Haddo House Chapel Worship for Easter Sunday Evening

Thanks

Thanks to all those who have taken part in our Holy Week and Easter Worship across the Formartine Churches

Worship Arrangements

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.

Barthol Chapel Kirk Session and Congregational Board meet Wednesday 12 April 7.30pm in Barthol Chapel Kirk.

Tarves Kirk Session meet Tuesday 18 April 7.00pm in Tarves Church.