

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks

Order of Service

Pentecost

28 May 2023

Tarves 10.00am

Call to Worship

Leader: In the bible in the Book of Acts we read these words

"Suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind and it filled the entire house. Divided tongues as of fire appeared among them and a tongue rested on each of them. All were filled with the Holy Spirit".

In the Bible too, the Gospel of John says of Jesus

"He breathed on them and said "Receive the Holy Spirit".

ALL: Here is our God in flame and rushing wind

Here is our God in the quiet breath of Jesus

Here is our God in the unexpected. Here is our God in the everyday

Here is our God!

Praise 582 Day of joy and wonder

O Day of joy and wonder! Christ's promise now fulfilled! The coming of his Spirit the Father's love has willed; our Lord in human body to mortal eye is lost, yet he returns forever at blessed Pentecost!

The world, in sheer amazement, the truth must now declare: that men, who once were cowards, are brave beyond compare; and tongues, which could not utter their faith in Jesus name, defy all persecution his glory to proclaim!

We too may know your power, your courage makes us strong, your love, your joy, your patience can all to us belong.
Come now and dwell within us, O Comforter divine, come to our hearts and keep them; There let your brightness shine.

Prayer of Approach

Sung Response: 619 Spirit of the living God fall afresh on us;

Spirit of the living God fall afresh on us; Break us, melt us, mould us, fill us, Spirit of the living God fall afresh on us.

Lord's Prayer

The Word of God: Acts 2:1-8,12-21

2When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled

the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

- 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? '..... ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'
- 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17 "In the last days it will be, God declares,

that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

and your young men shall see visions,

and your old men shall dream dreams.

- 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
- ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
- ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Table Talk:

Imagine you are with the disciples on that first Pentecost.

What sounds can you hear?

What can you see?

What might you smell or taste?

The Word of God Psalm 104:24-34 (Read antiphonally)

²⁴ O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all;

the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there,

living things both small and great.

²⁶ There go the ships,

and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

²⁷ These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

²⁸ when you give to them, they gather it up:

when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

²⁹ When you hide your face, they are

dismayed;

when you take away their breath, they die

and return to their dust.

³⁰ When you send forth your spirit, they are created;

and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹ May the glory of the LORD endure for ever;

Praise 584 Like fireworks in the night

Like fireworks in the night the Holy Spirit came; disciples' fears took flight when touched by fronds of flame: and suddenly the world was young as hope embraced a Saviour's claim.

For Jesus bade them dare to venture, as they should; His love taught them to share

may the LORD rejoice in his works—

³² who looks on the earth and it trembles,

who touches the mountains and they smoke.

33 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him,

for I rejoice in the LORD.

their homes, possessions, food: the mind of Jesus gave them speech all tribes and peoples understood.

Thus God our spirits lifts fresh daring to inspire; As common folk get gifts to change the world entire: the tongues of flame at Pentecost run through the world like forest fire.

The Word of God Numbers 11:24-30

24 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

26 Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' ²⁹But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!' ³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Table Talk

Have you ever been left out or left behind?
What did it feel like?

Praise 194 This is the day

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made. We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made,

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, when the Spirit

this is the day that the Lord has made. came

The Word of God: John 7:37-39

37 On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, ³⁸and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water." ³⁹Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Gushing Streams and Tongues of Flame

Where do you most need to feel the touch of God's Spirit today?

Praise 722 Spirit of God come dwell within me

Spirit of God, come dwell within me. Open my heart, oh, come set me free. Fill me with love for Jesus, my Lord, come, fill me with living water.

Jesus is living, Jesus is here. Jesus, my Lord, come closer to me: Jesus, our Saviour, dying for me, and rising to save his people. Lord, come to me, you alone do I seek. Lord, you are life and love and hope, come, fill me with living water.

This is the day..... that he rose again

Lord, I am blind, my Lord, I can't see. Stretch out your hand, bring comfort to me.

Lead me your way in light and in truth, come, fill me with living water.

Lord, how I thirst, my Lord, I am weak.

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

May the Lord of Pentecost be with you!

And also with you

Let us lift up our hearts to the Spirit moving in our midst. to the Breath of God who fills us with hope and grace.

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 of Thanksgiving

Praise 594 vs 1-3,6 Come Holy Spirit, come

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
Inflame our souls with love,
transforming every heart and home
with wisdom from above.
Let none of us despise
the humble path Christ trod,
but choose, to shame the worldly wise,
the foolishness of God.

All- knowing Spirit, prove the poverty of pride, by knowledge of the Father's love in Jesus crucified. And grant us faith to know the glory of that sign,

and in our very lives to show the marks of love divine.

Come with the gift to heal the wounds of guilt and fear, and to oppression's face reveal the Kingdom drawing near. Where chaos longs to reign, descend, o holy Dove, and free us all to work again the miracles of love.

Come, Holy Spirit, dance within our hearts today, our earthbound spirits to entrance, our mortal fears allay, and teach us to desire, all other things above, that self- consuming holy fire, the perfect gift of love.

Benediction

Notices

Today FYP 10 Year Celebration

Join us for a picnic at Methlick Church 1-3pm. Bring a plate to share.

Worship Arrangements

The Kirk Sessions have agreed that 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.

Barthol Chapel Congregational Meeting Sunday 4 June in Tarves Church at the close of worship

Final Worship Service at Barthol Chapel Sunday 11 June followed by soup and sweet lunch. Offers of donations for lunch would be gratefully received. Please contact Anna Tel 01651 851678 or email dodanna@btinternet.com

Tarves Kirk Session Tuesday 6 June 7.00pm in the Church

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

Tarves Tots Thursdays 9.15-11.00am