

Order of Service Sunday 12th September 2021
Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks

Call to Worship

Lord God we have come to worship you

Open our hearts

Lord God we have come to praise you

Open our mouths

Lord God we have come to learn more about you

Open our ears

As we worship and praise and learn,
 may we be open to your Holy Spirit today.



Be sure to
 taste your
 words before
 you spit
 them out.

Praise CH4 184 Sing to the Lord a Joyful Song

1. Sing to the Lord a joyful song,
 Lift up your hearts, your voices raise;
 To us His gracious gifts belong,
 To Him our songs of love and praise.

2. For life and love, for rest and food,
 For daily help and nightly care,
 Sing to the Lord, for He is good,
 And praise His name, for it is fair.

3. For strength to those who on Him wait,
 His truth to prove, His will to do,
 Praise ye our God, for He is great,
 Trust in His name, for it is true.

4. For joys untold, that from above
 Cheer those who love His sweet employ,
 Sing to our God, for He is love,
 Exalt His name, for it is joy.

5. For He is Lord of Heav'n and earth,
 Whom angels serve and saints adore,
 The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 To whom be praise forevermore.

Prayers of Approach
Lord's Prayer

The Word of God - James 3:1-12 (NIV)

Taming the tongue

3 Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. 2 We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.

3 When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. 4 Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. 5 Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. 6 The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

7 All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, 8 but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

9 With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. 10 Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. 11 Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? 12 My brothers and sisters, can a fig-tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

Mark 8:27-33 (NIV)

Peter declares that Jesus is the Messiah

27 Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, 'Who do people say I am?'

28 They replied, 'Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'

29 'But what about you?' he asked. 'Who do you say I am?'

Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah.'

30 Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.

Jesus predicts his death

31 He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

33 But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. 'Get behind me, Satan!' he said. 'You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.'

Reflection

Praise CH4 426 All Heaven Declares

1. 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

2. I will proclaim
 The glory of the risen Lord
 Who once was slain
 To reconcile man to God Forever You will be
 The Lamb upon the throne
 I gladly bow the knee
 And worship You alone

Reflection

Prayers for others

Praise CH4 352 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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| <p>1. O, for a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer's praise,
 The glories of my God and king,
 The triumphs of His grace!</p> | <p>4. He speaks, and, listening to His voice,
 New life the dead receive,
 The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
 The humble poor believe.</p> |
| <p>2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
 That bids our sorrows cease—
 'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
 'Tis life, and health, and peace.</p> | <p>5. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
 your loosened tongues employ;
 ye blind behold your Saviour come;
 and leap ye lame, for joy!</p> |
| <p>3. He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
 He sets the prisoner free;
 His blood can make the foulest clean,
 His blood availed for me.</p> | <p>6. My gracious Master and my God,
 Assist me to proclaim,
 To spread through all the earth
 abroad,
 The honours of Thy name.</p> |

Blessing

Notices

Sunday 19 September Morning Worship All Welcome

9.30am Tarves Kirk The Church will be laid out café-style and coffee will be served after worship. The service can also be accessed live on Zoom.

11.15am Barthol Chapel Gather from 10.45am. Bring your own coffee.

Please note that certain restrictions will still apply - hand-sanitising, wearing of masks and Contact and Trace. 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.

Alpha – Zoom Alpha starts soon

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of weekly sessions where you can explore the Christian faith in an open-minded and welcoming environment.

There's no cost, and no pressure. Just lots of great conversation and space to think.

Each session includes food, a short talk, and time of discussion where you can share your thoughts about what you've heard.

Whatever questions you've got, you can ask them at Alpha.

Starts Wednesday 15 September at 7.30

To get the Zoom link see www.methlickparishchurch.co.uk

Pastoral Care From 5 September – 13 September please contact Rev Dr Will Stalder 01651 806264.

Alison will return from holiday this coming week

Tarves Kirk Session meets on Zoom 15 September at 7.00pm