

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 7 March 2021 9.45 for 10.00 am

Third Sunday in Lent Order of Service



"Really? — You wrote
these with *me* in mind?"

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Call to Worship

Leader: The heavens are telling of the glory of God;

All: we come together to proclaim it.

Leader: In the wilderness, in the desert we cry out;

All: our voice goes out through all the earth.

Leader: We have been redeemed, we have been liberated, we have been brought into a new life;

All: for we are God's own beloved.

Leader: We gather together to worship.

Praise CH4 605 Thanks to God whose word was spoken

Thanks to God whose word was spoken
in the making of the earth.

His, the voice that called a nation,
fired her vision, tried her worth.

*God has spoken: God has spoken
praise him for his open word.*

Thanks to God whose word incarnate
came to save our human race.
Deeds and words and death and rising
testify to heavens grace.

Thanks to God whose word was written
in the Bible's sacred page,
record of the revelation
showing God to every age.

Thanks to God whose word is answered
By the Spirit's voice within.
Here we drink of joy unmeasured,
life redeemed from death and sin.

Prayer of Approach

Lord's Prayer (You might like to unmute yourself for this and remute afterwards)

The Word of God:

Exodus 20:1-17

20 Then God spoke all these words:

2 I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

4 You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

7 You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

8 Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹For six days you shall labour and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

12 Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

13 You shall not murder.

14 You shall not commit adultery.

15 You shall not steal.

16 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

17 You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

John 2:13-22

13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' ¹⁹Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' ²⁰The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Music

Reflection

Prayers for Others

Praise CH4 374 From heaven you came

From heaven you came, helpless babe,
entered our world, your glory veiled,
not to be served but to serve,
and give your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King.
He calls us now to follow him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears
my heavy load he chose to bear,

his heart with sorrow was torn,
Yet, "Not my will, but yours," he said.

Come see his hands and his feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice,
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve
and in our lives enthrone him,
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.

Blessing

Notices

Next Sunday 14 March

9.45am for 10.00am Joint Worship on Zoom (Service commences 10.00am) If you would like to be added to the e-mail list for the link to Sunday's live worship gathering on zoom or join in on your land-line please contact:

Rob e-mail sessionclerk@bartholchapel.org or
Alison Tel 851295 or e-mail aswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk

Tuesday 9 March 7.00pm Tarves Session meeting on Zoom. Link to follow

Wednesday 10 March 7.30pm Barthol Chapel Session, Board and Trustees meeting on Zoom. Link to follow.

Thursday 25 March 7.00pm Tarves Trustees meeting on Zoom

Care in the Community if you are aware of anyone in Tarves who needs help of any kind please contact Ruth 851887.

Pastoral Care Please contact the Minister 01651 851295

Musicians/Singers If you can play an instrument or sing and would like to join the group who provide the music for our worship week by week Katherine would love to hear from you. Email Kathbarthol@btinternet.com The contribution which this group makes to our worship week by week is hugely important and greatly valued by everyone.

Lent Study

This year our Lent discussion group is based on the book by Gordon Giles, "At Home in Lent". We meet weekly at 4.00pm on a Wednesday. Please let Alison know if you would like the link for the on-line discussion group.

Lent Appeal. Feeling relieved and grateful because you have had your Covid vaccination? Spare a thought for those in countries like Malawi which struggles to afford even basic healthcare. Gordon Presbytery has had a long relationship with Nkhoma Hospital. This year they are budgeting for \$40000 extra expenditure because of Covid. The Presbytery has challenged its congregations to raise £5000 towards this sum during Lent. More information can be found on the Presbytery website.

Cheques payable to “Presbytery of Gordon” (with “Nkhoma Appeal”) written on the back can be posted to

Mr W Paterson, Presbytery Treasurer, Ceardach, Whiteford Road, Pitcaple, Inverurie AB51 5EB.

Online donations can be paid to

Presbytery of Gordon Sort Code: 83-28-40 Account No 00237527 Reference Nkhoma

Or visit the Just Giving Page – follow this link

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/Nkhoma>

Messy Easter

The Messy Church team are hoping (depending on a relaxation of the Covid guidelines) to deliver Easter- in- a -bag to Messy families at the beginning of Holy Week. Each bag will include the Easter story with a kit to make an Easter garden. If you know of any families who might appreciate a bag please let Alison know.