

**Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 25 April 2021 9.45 for 10.00 am**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter Order of Service**



**Call To Worship**

Leader: Come and worship, the Lord is here!

**All: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!**

**Praise CH4 713** Come all who look to God today

Come, all who look to God today,  
stretch out your hands, enlarge your mind,  
together share his living way  
where all who humbly seek will find.

Bring your tradition's richest store,  
your hymns and rights and cherished  
creeds;  
explore your visions, pray for more,  
since God delights to meet fresh needs.

Come, young and old of every faith  
bring all your treasury's of prayer  
and seek the living Spirit's breath  
to realise the truths we share.

Come, trust in God and live in peace  
anticipate that final light  
when strife and bigotry shall cease,  
and faith be lost in praise and sight. Amen

**Prayers of Approach**

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

**The Word of God: St John 10:11-18**

*<sup>11</sup> 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own*

*accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'*

**Music** The Lord's my shepherd (And I will trust) *Stuart Townend sung by Banchory West.*

## Reflection

### Prayers for Others

#### Praise CH4 416

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now,  
and touching every place and time.

In every insult, rift and war,  
Where colour, scorn or wealth divide,

Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, where even hope has died.

Women and men in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

### Blessing

#### Notices

##### This Week

Our worship service is being led by Rev Dr Andrew Wilson

##### Next Sunday 2 May 2021

**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:

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Alison Tel 851295 or e-mail [aswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:aswindells@churchofscotland.org.uk)

No communion next week. For those who have no internet access, Tarves Kirk will be open from 9.45am and the service will be live-streamed into the church from 10.00am.

The usual indoor restrictions will apply, viz, hand-sanitising, wearing of masks and physical distancing.

**Pastoral Care** Please contact the Minister 01651 851295