

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 6 June 9.45 for 10.00 am

Second Sunday after Pentecost



Call to Worship

Come to worship the One true God
 who is without weakness,
 who is beyond criticism,
 who is honourable and fair,
 who is just and merciful,
 who is not the outcome of human choice,
 or raised to power by partisan nomination.

We worship the God

**who is Creator of heaven and earth,
 present at the beginning
 who will be present at the end.
 who favours no one person over another,
 who cares for all, with a depth of emotion unrivalled.**

Come let us worship,
 not human power, celebrity, or wealth,
**but let us worship the One
 who deserves all we have to offer**

Praise CH4 160 Praise my soul the king of heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
 to his feet thy tribute bring;
 ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
 who like me his praise should sing?
 Praise him! Praise him!
 Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
 to our fathers in distress;
 praise him, still the same forever,
 slow to chide, and swift to bless:
 Praise him! Praise him!
 Glorious in his faithfulness.

Frail as summers flower we flourish;
Blows the wind and it is gone;
But, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the high eternal one.

Angels help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon bow down before him;
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

.Prayers of Approach

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

The Word of God

1 Samuel 8:4-11,16-20

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, ⁵and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' ⁶But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the LORD, ⁷and the LORD said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. ⁸Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. ⁹Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.'

10 So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. ¹¹He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots;....

¹⁶He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. ¹⁷He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. ¹⁸And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.'

19 But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, ²⁰so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.'

Luke 22:24-27

24 A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.'

Music Our God is a great big God

Reflection

Prayers for Others

Praise CH4 374 From heaven you came, helpless babe

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 are serving.

Blessing

Notices

Next Sunday 23 May 2021 Pentecost 9.45am for 10.00am Joint Worship on Zoom (Service commences 10.00am) To celebrate Pentecost why not wear something red!

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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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.

Church of Scotland General Assembly 2021: Special Supplement

Life and Work has released a FREE four-page summary of the main decisions, debates and speeches from last week’s General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

It is available on Life and Work website or full link [General Assembly 2021: Special Supplement - Life and Work](#).

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