

Barthol Chapel and Tarves Sunday 13 June 2021 9.45 for 10.00 am

Third Sunday after Pentecost



Call to Worship (*Psalm 20: 1,2*)

Leader: The Lord answer you in the day of trouble!

All: The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

Leader: May he send you help from the sanctuary,

All: and give you support from Zion.

Praise CH4 606 Lord you sometimes speak in wonders

Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders,
unmistakable and clear,
mighty signs that show your presence,
overcoming doubt and fear.

Lord, you sometimes speak in whispers,
still and small and scarcely heard;
only those who want to listen
catch the all-important word.

Lord, you sometimes speak in silence,
through our loud and noisy day;

we can know and trust you better
when we quietly wait and pray.

Lord, you sometimes speak in Scripture,
words that summon from the page,
shown and taught us by your Spirit
with fresh light for every age.

Lord, you always speak in Jesus,
always new yet still the same:
teach us now more of our Saviour,
make our lives display his Name.

Prayers of Approach

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

The Word of God

1 Samuel 15:34- 16:13

34 Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. 35 Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

16The LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' 2Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the LORD said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the LORD."' 3Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' 4Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' 5He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD.' 7But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.' 8Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' 9Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' 10Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen any of these.' 11Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' 12He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' 13Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Mark 4:26-34

26 He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, 27and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. 28The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. 29But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

30 He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? 31It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; 32yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; 34he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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Reflection

Prayers for Others

Praise CH4 542 Lord speak to me that I may speak

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let me seek
your erring children lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
the wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
your hungering ones with manna sweet.

O strengthen me, that, while I stand
firm on the rock, secure and free,
I may stretch out a loving hand t
to wrestlers with the troubled sea.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
the precious things which you impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fullness, Lord,
until my very heart o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word,
your love to tell, your praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me,
just as you will, and when, and where,
until at last your face I see,
your rest, your joy, your glory share.

Blessing

Notices

Next Sunday 23 May 2021 9.45am for 10.00am Joint Worship on Zoom (Service commences 10.00am) Susanna will be leading worship 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

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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](#).

Pastoral Care During this coming week in an emergency please contact Will Stalder on 01651 806264

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