

**Order of Service**  
**Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks**  
**Sunday 15 August 2021**



### Gathering Activity

Talk together about what you have learnt during lockdown.

- Was there anything you enjoyed about worship on Zoom?
- What did you miss about worship in Church?

### Call to Worship

Leader: May your Spirit be upon us as we engage in worship this day.

**ALL: Make us wise, Lord, that we might see you more clearly,**

Leader: know you more deeply

**ALL: and love you more dearly.**

### Praise CH4 63 All people that on earth do dwell

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.

Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

Oh, enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto:

Praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

For why? The Lord our God is good,  
his mercy is forever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

### Prayers of Approach Lord's Prayer

#### The Word of God 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

*10 Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. 11 The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned for seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. 12 So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.....*

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<sup>3</sup> Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. <sup>4</sup>The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. <sup>5</sup>At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' <sup>6</sup>And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. <sup>7</sup>And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup>And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. <sup>9</sup>Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

<sup>10</sup> It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup>God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup>I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. <sup>13</sup>I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. <sup>14</sup>If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.'

### **The Word of God: Ephesians 5:15-20**

<sup>15</sup> Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Music CH4 600 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind**

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,  
gentle as is the dove,  
teach us the truth and help us  
believe,  
show us the Saviour's love.*

we read it still, needing it's truth,  
through it Gods voice is heard.

Without your help we fail our Lord,  
we cannot live his way;  
we need your power, we need your  
strength,  
following Christ each day.

You spoke to us long, long ago,  
gave us the written word;

### **Reflection**

### **Prayers for others**

### **Praise CH4 465 Be Thou my vision**

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou  
art;

thou my best thought in the day or the  
night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, be though my true  
Word;  
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great father: thine own I would  
be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the  
fight;  
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,  
thou my sou'ls shelter, and thou my high  
tower;  
raise though me heavenward, O Power of  
my power.

Riches I heed not, nor earth's empty  
praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou  
art.

High King of Heaven, after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright  
heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

### Blessing

#### Take Home Suggestion

Each day this week take a Post-It note or slip of paper. As the day begins, imagine God asking you what attribute you would like to see grow and develop in your life. Pick something different each day and write that aspiration down on your note and place it somewhere you will see it during the day and the rest of the week. For Solomon it was wisdom he sought, what about you?

As the day and week goes by be proactive and thoughtful about that particular attribute that you wish to develop and, with God's help, push yourself beyond the usual boundaries you put in place.

#### Notices

#### Next Sunday 22 August Morning Worship All Welcome

**9.30am Tarves Kirk** The Church will be laid out café-style and coffee will be served after worship.

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

Please note that certain restrictions will still apply, viz, 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.

**Tuesday 17 August 7.30pm Barthol Chapel Kirk Session and Board** meeting on Zoom – link to follow.

**Sunday 29 August 10.00am** Parish Grouping Big Sing at Haddo

**Pastoral Care** Please contact Alison 01651 851295