Order of Service Sunday 19 September 2021 Barthol Chapel and Tarves Kirks

Call to Worship

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked

but instead delight in wisdom of the Lord.

In God we will delight!

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

In God we will delight!

God will watch over them and they will prosper.

In God we will delight!

Come, you happy people, you who delight in the Lord,

let us worship the Lord with gladness.

In God we will delight!



Praise CH4 103 Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness, sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom, might and majesty divine!
He who framed the starry heavens knows and names them as they shine.

Praise the Lord, his people, praise him! Wounded souls his comfort know; those who fear him find his mercies, peace for pain and joy for woe! Humble hearts are high exalted, human pride and power laid low.

Praise the Lord for times and seasons, cloud and sunshine, wind and rain; Spring to melt the snows of winter till the waters flow again; grass up on the mountain pastures, golden valleys thick with grain.

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness, peace and plenty crown your days; Love his laws, declare his judgments, walk in all his words and ways; He the Lord and we his childrenpraise the Lord, all people, praise!

Prayers of Approach Lord's Prayer

The Word of God James 3:13-4:3,7-8a

13 Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

4Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? 2 You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Mark 9:30-37

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' 32 But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

33 Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' 34But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. 35He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' 36Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Dialogue Negativity to Creativity (from Spill the Beans)

Praise 522 The Church is wherever God's people are praising

The church is wherever God's people are The church is wherever God's people are praising, seeking knowing they're wanted and loved by their to reach out and touch folk wherever they

Lord.

are trying

The church is wherever Christ's followers

to live and to share out the good news of God.

The church is wherever God's people are

where all are forgiven and start once

where all are accepted, whatever their background,

whatever their past and whatever their pain.

conveying the Gospel, its joy and its comfort.

to challenge, refresh, and excite and inspire.

The church is wherever God's people are praising,

knowing we're wanted and loved by our Lord.

The church is where we as Christ

followers are trying

to live and to share out the good news of

God.

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 thou 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

Light a candle and spend a moment before it, watching the flame flicker, consuming the wax and oxygen around it. Let your guard down with yourself as you relax into this moment.

- Is there any envy in my heart at this time?
- Who do I look at and wish I was in their shoes?
- Why do their lives look better to me?

And think about how others might see you.

- What might some envy about my life?
- For what am I thankful in my life?
- How can I be a good example of God's grace?

Notices

Today 2.00pm-4.00pm Haddo Hall

Parish Grouping Office-bearer's conference

Sunday 26 September Morning Worship All Welcome

9.30am Tarves Kirk The Church will be laid out café-style and coffee will be served after worship. The service can also be accessed live on Zoom.

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 28 September 7.30pm Barthol Chapel Board and Session meetings.

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