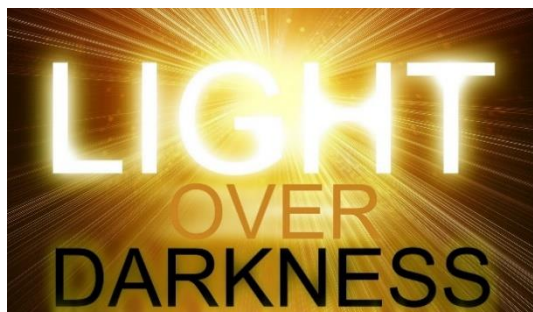




Order of Service Sunday 7 November 2021
Tarves Kirk Guild Dedication Service

Call to Worship

Light your light from Christ's light
Let His light shine from you
Hour by hour and day by day
In the living light let us worship God



Praise CH4 543 Christ be our light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered
today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your Kingdom come.

Prayer of Approach to God in Praise and Worship led by Guild Member

Conversation Around the Table - What things do you do that require a powerful light?

The Word of God: Psalm 119:105-112 Read by Guild Member

*¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.*
*¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to observe your righteous ordinances.*
*¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word.*
*¹⁰⁸ Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD,
and teach me your ordinances.*
*¹⁰⁹ I hold my life in my hand continually,
but I do not forget your law.*

¹¹⁰ *The wicked have laid a snare for me,
but I do not stray from your precepts.*
¹¹¹ *Your decrees are my heritage for ever;
they are the joy of my heart.*
¹¹² *I incline my heart to perform your statutes
for ever, to the end.*

Brief Comment

Prayers of Confession led by Guild Member

Praise CH4 740 (vs1,2,4,7,8) For all the saints

For all the saints, who from their
labours rest;
Who thee by faith before the world
confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and
their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-
fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear their one
true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;

Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But, lo! There breaks a yet more
glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright
array;
The King of Glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from oceans
farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the
countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Word of God: Matthew 5:13-17 (from the Message) read by Guild Member
“Let me tell you why you are here. You’re here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You’ve lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage. “Here’s another way to put it: You’re here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We’re going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don’t think I’m going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I’m putting you on a light stand. Now that I’ve put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you’ll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven. “Don’t suppose for a minute that I have come to demolish the Scriptures—either God’s Law or the Prophets. I’m not here to demolish but to complete. I am going to put it all together, pull it all together in a vast panorama. God’s Law is more real and lasting than the stars in the sky and the ground at your feet. Long after stars burn out and earth wears out, God’s Law will be alive and working.”

Brief Comment

Conversation around the Table about picture on screen

How do artists use colour, highlights, dark areas?

What impact does this have on the picture as a whole?

How well do you think your faith brings out the God-colours in your life?

Does our light help others to see the Light of the World or are we inclined to hide it under a bushel?

Drama "Light under a Bushel" performed by Guild members

Praise CH4 336 Christ is our light

Christ is our light! The bright and morning star

covering with radiance all from near and far.

Christ be our light, shine on, shine on we pray
into our hearts, into our world today.

Christ is our love! Baptised that we may know
the love of God among us, swooping low.

Christ be our love, bring us to turn our face
and see in you the light of heaven's embrace.

Christ is our joy! Transforming wedding guest!
Through water turned to wine the feast was blessed.
Christ be our joy; Your glory let us see,
as your disciples did in Galilee.

Update on the Guild and its Projects Guild Coordinator

Prayer of Dedication including the Guild

Prayers for Others led by Guild Member

Praise CH4 237 Look forward in faith

Look forward in faith,
all time is in God's hand.

Walk humbly with him
and trust his future plan.

God has wisely led
his people by his power.
Look forward in hope,
he gives us each new hour.

Look forward in faith
the world is in God's care.
His purpose of love
he calls on us to share.

In our neighbour's need
the Lord is present still.
He blesses the meek!
The earth will know God's will.

Look forward in faith,
God gives us life each day.
Go onward with Christ,
his Spirit guides our way.
Now God lets us live
within the sphere of grace.
Trust ever in him,
he rules o'er earth and space!

Blessing

Notices

Sunday 14 November Worship for Remembrance Sunday All Welcome

9.30am Tarves Kirk Service followed by Wreath-laying at the War Memorial (The service can also be accessed live on Zoom).

11.15am Barthol Chapel Service followed by wreath-laying at the War Memorial. 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.

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