

# Formartine Parish Church of Scotland of Service Sunday 15<sup>h</sup> of December 2024 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

# <u>Please use Tarves Kirk Zoom link</u> Welcome and Intimations

# **Advent Candle Liturgy**

**Leader:** Last Sunday we lit the candle of Hope, remembering the hope which comes in Christ, and we lit the candle of Peace, remembering God's dream of a peaceful world. (Light Candles). Today we light the third candle of Advent, the candle of Joy.

In Advent, we are in a time of waiting. Like the Israelites who wandered through the Wilderness, waiting to come into the Promised Land, we wait for the coming of the Joy of Ages. We wait for the day where we can join our voices with the angels to sing "Joy to the World, the Lord is come!" We wait for the day when everlasting joy will be on each of us.

We light this candle in Joy. (Light Candle)

All: On this day, we remember the Spirit who breathes joy into our lives.

## Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Surely God is our salvation.

All: We will trust, and we will not be afraid.

Leader: For the LORD GOD is our strength and our defence.

All: He has become our salvation.

Leader: With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation. On that day we will say:

All: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name.

Leader: Make known what he has done among the nations.

All: Proclaim that his name is exalted.

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done glorious things.

All: Let this be known throughout the world.

Leader: Shout out loud and sing for joy, O royal Zion,

All: for great is the Holy One of Israel who lives amongst you.

**Praise:** Hymn 277 (Crediton) Hark the glad sound! the saviour comes.

**Prayer of Approach** 

Meditation: 'God Wake us Up

Praise: Hymn 724 (Dream Angus) Christ's is the world in which we move

# **Prayer for Understanding**

Readings: Philippians 4: 4-7

Luke 3: 7-18

Praise: Hymn 320 (Antioch Comfort (Mason))

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

'Peace comes to our hearts'

## **Dedication of the Offering**

Praise: Hymn 286 (Woodlands)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

#### Dismissal and Grace

#### Choral Amen.

### Worship arrangements

United services of worship alternate between Kirks. Sundays at 10.00am

22 Dec in Pitmedden 4th Sunday of Advent

22 Dec Lessons and Carols at 7pm in Pitmedden Kirk

24 Dec Christmas Eve Intergenerational service at 7pm in Tarves Kirk

NB: There is no service on Christmas Day

29 Dec Sunday worship in Pitmedden Kirk at 10.00am

See posters, our fb and website for more information. www.formartineparishchurch.org,uk

#### **Pastoral Care:**

Please contact Rev Valerie Mitchell on 07932 142519 or Rev Alastair Bruce on 07929 832061

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