



## Formartine Parish Church of Scotland

### Order of Service

23 June 2024 at 10.00am Tarves Kirk

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Please use the Tarves Kirk Zoom link

#### Call to Worship

**All: Let us gather**

**in the name of the one**

*who calls us into this place  
and beyond.*

*With words of life,*

*rules for living,*

*and invitations*

*to be the future*

**All: Let us gather**

**in the name of the one**

*who leads us into life  
and worship.*

**Praise** CH4 533 Will you come and follow me

#### FYP update from Caroline

#### Prayer Of Dedication

**Praise:** There is a line of women by John Bell

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: Verse 1

There is a line of women  
extending back to Eve  
whose role in shaping hist'ry  
God only could conceive;  
and though through endless ages  
their witness was repressed,  
God valued and inspired them  
through whom the world was bless'd.

So sing a song of Sarah—  
to laughter she gave birth;  
and sing a song of Tamar  
who stood for women's worth;  
and sing a song of Hannah  
who bargained with her Lord;  
and sing a song of Mary  
who bore and bred God's Word.

Verse 2:

There is a line of women

who took on pow'rful men,  
defying laws and scruples  
to let life live again;  
and though, despite their triumph,  
their stories stayed untold,  
God kept their number growing,  
creative, strong, and bold.

So sing a song of Shiphrah  
with Puah close at hand:  
engaged to kill male children,  
they foiled the king's command;  
and sing a song of Rahab  
who sheltered spies and lied;  
and sing a song of Esther  
preventing genocide.

Verse 3:

There is a line of women  
who stood by Jesus' side,  
who housed him when he ministered  
and held him when he died;

and though they claimed he'd risen,  
their news was deemed suspect,  
till Jesus stood among them,  
his womanly elect.  
So sing a song of Anna  
who saw Christ's infant face;  
and sing a song of Martha

who gave him food and space;  
and sing of all the Marys  
who heeded his requests,  
and now at heaven's banquet  
are Jesus' fondest guests.

## St Columba

### Prayer of St Columba

#### Word of God: Exodus 34:4-8 (NIV Reader's version)

*4 So Moses carved out two stone tablets just like the first ones. Early in the morning he went up Mount Sinai. He carried the two stone tablets in his hands. He did as the LORD had commanded him to do. 5 Then the LORD came down in the cloud. He stood there with Moses and announced his name, the LORD. 6 As he passed in front of Moses, he called out. He said, "I am the LORD, the LORD. I am the God who is tender and kind. I am gracious. I am slow to get angry. I am faithful and full of love. 7 I continue to show my love to thousands of people. I forgive those who do evil. I forgive those who refuse to obey me. And I forgive those who sin. But I do not let guilty people go without punishing them. I cause the sins of the parents to affect their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren."*

*8 Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshiped.*

#### Rules

#### Refection: Tablets of stone

Praise CH4 252 As a fire is meant for burning

#### Word of God: 1 Samuel 3 (NIV Reader's version)

*The LORD Calls Out to Samuel*

*3 The boy Samuel served the LORD under the direction of Eli. In those days the LORD didn't give many messages to his people. He didn't give them many visions.*

*2 One night Eli was lying down in his usual place. His eyes were becoming so weak he couldn't see very well. 3 Samuel was lying down in the LORD's house. That's where the ark of God was kept. The lamp of God was still burning. 4 The LORD called out to Samuel.*

*Samuel answered, "Here I am." 5 He ran over to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called out to me." But Eli said, "I didn't call you. Go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.*

*6 Again the LORD called out, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli. He said, "Here I am. You called out to me."*

*"My son," Eli said, "I didn't call you. Go back and lie down."*

*7 Samuel didn't know the LORD yet. That's because the LORD still hadn't given him a message.*

*8 The LORD called out for the third time. He said, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli. He said, "Here I am. You called out to me."*

*Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down. If someone calls out to you again, say, 'Speak, LORD. I'm listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.*

*10 The LORD came and stood there. He called out, just as he had done the other times. He said, "Samuel! Samuel!"*

*Then Samuel replied, "Speak. I'm listening."*

*11 The LORD said to Samuel, "Pay attention! I am about to do something terrible in Israel. It will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. 12 At that time I will do everything to Eli and his family that I said I would. I will finish what I have started. 13 I told Eli I would punish his family forever. He knew his sons were sinning. He knew they were saying bad things about me. In spite*

*of that, he did not stop them. <sup>14</sup> So I made a promise to the family of Eli. I said, 'The sins of Eli's family will never be paid for by bringing sacrifices or offerings.'*"

*<sup>15</sup> Samuel lay down until morning. Then he opened the doors of the LORD's house. He was afraid to tell Eli about the vision he had received. <sup>16</sup> But Eli called out to him. He said, "Samuel, my son." Samuel answered, "Here I am."*

*<sup>17</sup> "What did the LORD say to you?" Eli asked. "Don't hide from me anything he told you. If you do, may God punish you greatly." <sup>18</sup> So Samuel told him everything. He didn't hide anything from him. Then Eli said, "He is the LORD. Let him do what he thinks is best."*

*<sup>19</sup> As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him. He made everything Samuel said come true. <sup>20</sup> So all the Israelites recognized that Samuel really was a prophet of the LORD. Everyone from Dan all the way to Beersheba knew it. <sup>21</sup> The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh. There he made himself known to Samuel through the messages he gave him.*

## **Ode to Samuel**

### **Talking about Saints ...**

**Praise CH4 259** Beauty for brokenness

### **Prayers For Others And Ourselves**

**Praise CH4 742** Rejoice in God's saints

### **Sending and blessing**

### **Choral Amen**

## **Notices**

### **Formartine Church Newsletter**

This newsletter is on a summer break just now.

Please see the TBC, website and fb page for information.

[www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk)

### **Next Sunday United Worship at 10.00 in Pitmedden Kirk**

Please use the Pitmedden Zoom link

### **Worship in July and August**

We will have United Worship during the summer months alternating between Kirks.

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July Rev Alastair Bruce will conduct worship in Tarves and after the service we will elect the Nominating Committee.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July will be in Tarves and will then alternate between Pitmedden and Tarves.

See posters, our fb and website for more information. [www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk)

### **Session Meeting at 9am on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July prior to worship.**

**Pastoral Care:** Please contact Susanna Bichard 01651 851345

If you are aware of anyone in the Parish who might welcome church flowers or a visit please let an elder know. We are here for everyone, members or not.