Formartine Parish Church - Tarves Kirk

April 07 2024 at 10.00am

Second Sunday of Easter

Call to worship

Leader: Springtime

Our yearly reminder, if we needed one that to a world that was dark and cold a world devoid of love's sweet warmth you sent your Son to break through sin's icy blanket

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and, arms outstretched

on a cross

he brought us hope
All: Thank you Father

for the seasons of our lives

Leader: Springtime is a season of optimism and hope and the Christian lives a faith

centred on hope.

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CH4 90 – "How good it is when God's will is done" (Modern version of Ps 133)

Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer

Word of God: Psalm 133 (KJV)

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

² It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

³ As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

CH4 417 Now the green blade riseth

Word of God: St John 20:19-31 Jesus Appears to the Disciples

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Jesus and Thomas

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin*), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

The Purpose of This Book

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe* that Jesus is the Messiah,* the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Table Talk

What does it mean to have faith? What does it mean to have doubts?

CH4 659 Put peace into each other's hands (Tune The King of Love)
Omit v.4

Music for Meditation

Reflection

CH4 528 - "Make me a channel of your peace"

Dedication of the Offering and Prayer for the World

CH4 804 You shall go out with joy

Blessing

Choral Amen

Notices

Next Sunday

Worship in Pitmedden and Tarves 10.00am. Service available on Zoom.

United worship services

These will usually be on the 4th and 5th Sunday of the month and will alternate between Tarves and Pitmedden. The next one is on Sunday 28 April in Pitmedden when Rev Alastair Bruce will celebrate Holy Communion.

See posters, our fb and website for more information.

www.formartineparishchurch.org,uk

FYP

Sean Swindells is running the London marathon for FYP. You can support the project by sponsoring him. Link below

https://www.justgiving.com/page/sean-swindells-1711634033686? utm_term=J7YGQWjK2

QR code available on the new Formartine Church website and fb page

Tuesdays 10-11.00am Tarves Kirk

Coffee morning in Tarves

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