

Formartine Parish Church

Tarves Kirk

Order of Service

Sunday 3 March 2024 10.00am

Third Sunday in Lent

Call to worship

O come let us sing to the Lord

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving

Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise

Praise 59 O come and let us to the Lord

Prayer of Approach Lord's Prayer

Praise 771 If you believe and I believe

Table talk Lent Calendar

- 1. Last week's suggestions on screen
 - Fix dripping taps
 - Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth
 - Have a shower rather than a bath
 - Shower for less than 2 mins per day
 - Only do full washing loads use economy settings
 - Wash up dishes in large batches
 - Replace toilet flushing mechanism with low-water design
 - Only run the dishwasher when full
 - Collect rain water for use in the garden

How did you get on being careful about use of water?

2. Next week

- Only fill the kettle to the amount required
- Hang clothes to dry instead of using tumble-drier
- Turn central heating down and wear warmer clothes
- Use eco light-bulbs
- Don't leave appliances on stand-by
- Improve your home's insulation
- Reduce the amount of hot water you use

Use of energy any suggestions in addition to the ones on the Screen?

Praise 485 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

The Word of God: St John 4:7-26, 39-42

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. ⁸(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do

not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' ¹¹The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' ¹³Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' ¹⁵The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

- 16 Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' ¹⁷The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' ¹⁹The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' ²¹Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' ²⁵The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' ²⁶Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'
- 39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. ⁴¹And many more believed because of his word. ⁴²They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Music for reflection

Sermon

Praise 392 When I survey the wondrous cross

Prayers

Praise 497 Almighty Father of all things that be

Benediction

Notices

Sunday 10 March 2024 10.00am

Worship with the congregation of Formartine Parish Church in Pitmedden and Tarves Kirks. Services available on Zoom. Baptism in Tarves Kirk

Tuesday 5 March Tarves Youth Hall 7.30pm

Formartine Session meeting with Presbytery Planning Team

Saturday 9 March

Barthol Chapel Community Coffee morning

Sunday 10 March after worship Easter Choir

Katherine Williams is organising a choir for Easter Sunday – there will be a meeting for anyone interested in Tarves Kirk after coffee on Sunday 10 March.

Saturday 16 March Tarves Youth Hall Soup and Sweet Lunch

To celebrate the refurbishment of the Youth Hall. Donations will be taken towards equipping the Youth Hall. Help with catering and serving would be appreciated – please speak to Doreen Brown.

Walk Through Holy Week Thursday 21 11.00am Pitmedden and Udny Green, Friday 22 Tarves and Barthol Chapel 11.00am, Methlick Friday 23 1.30pm

Volunteers required to pack bags on Wednesday 13 at 1.00pm in Pitmedden and Friday 15 March at 10.00am in Tarves and setting up in Tarves after worship on 17 March and in Pitmedden at 3.30pm Tuesday 19 March. Please help as you are able

Saturday 23 March 4.00pm Pitmedden

Members of the congregation are invited to join FYP on a Litterpick in Pitmedden to raise funds for FYP. This will be followed by pizza and a film in Pitmedden Church if you wish to stay.

Tuesdays 9.30am Pitmedden Kirk Mainly Music

Tuesdays 10-11.00am Tarves Kirk Coffee morning in Tarves

Wednesdays 6.30pm Udny Green HallBoys Brigade

Thursdays 3.00 – 5.00pm Pitmedden Kirk Youth Café

Pastoral Care: Please contact Alison Swindells Tel 01651 851295.