

Formartine Parish Church

Tarves Kirk

Order of Service

Sunday 10 March 2024 10.00am

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Call to Worship Jesus calls us to leave the past JESUS CALLS US TO HOPE

Jesus calls us to travel lightly **JESUS CALLS US TO FAITH**

Jesus calls us to live fairly **JESUS CALLS US TO JUSTICE**

Jesus calls us to risky living JESUS CALLS US TO LIFE

Praise 181 For the beauty of the earth

Prayer of Approach Lord's Prayer

The Word of God: Isaiah 51:1-6

51Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn.

and to the quarry from which you were dug.

² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him.

but I blessed him and made him many.

³ For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden,

her desert like the garden of the LORD;

joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴ Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftlv. my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke. the earth will wear out like a garment. and those who live on it will die like qnats: but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Table talk Lent Calendar a. Review Lent Calendar Week 3 – Use of energy

How did you get on conserving energy?

b. Lent Calendar Week 4 Reducing waste and pollution Suggestions?

Reminder about FYP litter-pick and opportunity to offer support

Praise 180 Give Thanks

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Luke 1:39-44

39 In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy.

Praise 374 From heaven you came helpless babe

Sermon "Roots and Wings"

Praise 631 A little child the Saviour came

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Darcy Elizabeth McRae

Sung Blessing (Hymn 796)

Prayers

Praise 159 Love Divine

Benediction

Notices

Today – A warm welcome to the family and friends of Darcy Elizabeth McRae here today to celebrate her baptism

Sunday 17 March 2024 10.00am

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

Sunday 24 March Palm Sunday Pitmedden 11.00am (Coffee from 10.00am) Those walking leave Tarves Square 9.30am.

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 12 noon 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.

Tuesday 26 March Pitmedden 7.30pm

Formartine Session meeting re vacancy matters

Tuesdays 9.30am Pitmedden Kirk

Mainly Music

Tuesdays 10-11.00am Tarves Kirk

Coffee morning in Tarves

Wednesdays 6.30pm Udny Green Hall Boys Brigade

Thursdays 3.00 – 5.00pm Pitmedden Kirk Youth Café

Pastoral Care: Please contact Alison Swindells Tel 01651 851295.