



Formartine Parish Church

Tarves Kirk

Order of Service

Sunday 17 March 2024 10.00am

Fifth 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 112 God whose almighty Word

Prayer of Approach
Lord's Prayer

Praise 351 Jesus hands were kind hands

Table talk

Wednesday 20 March is the International Day of Happiness. It is a day when happiness is not taken for granted but seen as a goal achieved through thoughtfulness and action. The first three of the Ten Steps to Global Happiness are:

1. Tell Everyone
2. Do What Makes You Happy
3. Give and Spread Happiness to Others.

What makes you happy? How does that impact on other people?

The Word of God: Jeremiah 29:11, 31:31-34

¹¹For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.....

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me,

from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Praise 557 O love that wilt not let me go

St John 12:20-33

20 Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. 21 They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' 22 Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

27 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' 29 The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' 30 Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. 31 Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' 33 He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Music for Reflection (offering taken up in Pitmedden)

Sermon

Praise 616 There's a Spirit in the air

FYP Update

Prayers

Praise 561 Blessed assurance Jesus is mine

Benediction

Notices

Easter Worship

Sunday 24 March Palm Sunday Pitmedden 11.00am (Coffee from 10.00am)

Those walking leave Tarves Square 9.30am. Lifts for those who require them – speak to your elder. **NB Formartine Session meets at 10.50am for admission of new member.**

Thursday 27 March 7.00pm Pitmedden

Simple meal followed by Maundy Thursday communion

Friday 28 March 7.00pm Good Friday Service in Tarves

Sunday 31 March 10.00am Joint Easter Celebration Tarves

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

Volunteers required to set 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 Udney Green Hall

Boys Brigade

Thursdays 3.00 – 5.00pm Pitmedden Kirk

Youth Café

Pastoral Care: Please contact Alison Swindells Tel 01651 851295.