



Formartine Parish Church

Tarves Kirk

Order of Service

Sunday 11 February 2024 10.00am

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome

Call to worship

Come to this time of worship

We bring our hearts and our minds.

Come with your joys and your wounds.

We bring them all before God.

Come, trust that God will raise you up.

We sing praise to the Lord of Creation.

Praise 112 God whose almighty word

Prayer of Approach

Lord's Prayer

Introduction

At this point in the year we are aware of the return of the light. The days are getting longer. The theme of today's service focuses on light as we remember Jesus claim, "I am the Light of the World".

Praise 96 You are before me God, you are behind (Tune Highland Cathedral)

Table Talk

- How many sources can the group name?
- Do people have a favourite?
- What's the most powerful source of light anyone has seen?
- What affect do these lights have on us?
- How do they make us feel?

The Word of God John 9:1-12

9As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' ³Jesus answered, 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'

(Pause here to light a candle or have someone else light the candle)

⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

Praise 555 Amazing Grace

Story The Story of the Two Sons

The Word of God: Matthew 5:14-16

¹⁴ 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Table Talk What puts us off shining brightly in the world?

- Can you share a time when you have hidden your God-given light? What made you do that?

Story Let it Shine

Praise: The Source 367 My Jesus, my Saviour (sung twice)

Reflective Prayer

Praise 500 Lord of Creation to you be all praise

Closing Words (said together)

**May the light of God
show us the way.**

**May the light of Christ
bring us hope.**

**May the light of Spirit
guide our life
today and forever.**

Amen

Notices

Sunday 18 February 2024 10.00am First Sunday in Lent

Worship with the congregation of Formartine Parish Church in Pitmedden and Tarves Kirks. In Tarves we will be joined by the Guides for their Thinking Day service.

Sunday 26 February 10.00am Second Sunday in Lent

United worship at Pitmedden Kirk

Tuesdays 9.30am Pitmedden Kirk

Mainly Music

Tuesdays 10-11.30am Tarves Kirk

Coffee morning in Tarves

Wednesdays 6.30pm Udney Green Hall

Boys Brigade

Wednesdays 7.00 – 9.00pm Coffee Apothecary

For more details contact David Price e-mail david@pricebs.co.uk

Thursdays 3.00 – 5.00pm Pitmedden Kirk

Youth Café

First Saturday of the month 8.30-10.30 Pitmedden Kirk

Big Breakfast

Second Saturday of the month 10.00-11.30am Barthol Chapel

Community Cafe

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