

Order of Service Formartine Parish Church of Scotland Sunday 09 February 2025 10.00am in Pitmedden Kirk Please use the Pitmedden zoom link

Call to Worship

Come, We who are ready and willing;

Come, We who are weary and burdened; Come, We who feel different or on the outside; Come, Come all who are unsure or uneasy

Come, Into the presence of the One who made us.

Come, Into the gaze of the One who sees us, who recognises us And who knows us more than we know ourselves.

Come, Into the loving embrace of God our maker, redeemer and sustainer.

Come, and find peace.

Come, and find love.

Come, and be found by God, who loves us one and all.

Hymn GWA 215 O God of creation

O God of creation, we see all around us: How richly diverse are the people you've made!

In all of our neighbours who daily surround us,

Your love for your children is ever displayed. We're made in your image, we're equal before you;

Yet often injustice and hatred abound.

Forgive us the ways that we sin and ignore you,

Accepting the structures that push others down.

Christ Jesus, you lived in the same way you taught us;

You welcomed the people that others despised.

You talked and you ate with the poor and the outcast;

You saw every person through welcoming eyes.

Forgive our re-building the walls you have broken —

Our making of barriers you came to tear down.

The gift of your cross is the world's reconciling

With God and with all of God's people around.

O God, by your Spirit, now give us a vision Of life in your kingdom through Jesus your Son —

Where background and culture won't lead to division,

And all will feel welcomed and all will be one. God, now may we work with a new dedication For justice, equality, freedom and peace, Until we are called to your great celebration And share at your table in your banquet feast.

Prayers of Approach, Confession and Assurance of Grace

Hymn CH4 159 Lord for the years The Word of God: John 4:1-26 Hymn CH4 198 Let us build a house Sermon: Made in God's image- many colours! Hymn CH4 265 Pray for a world Prayer Thanksgiving for the Offerings Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer Hymn GWA 224 Sing a new song

Sing a new world into being, sound a bold and hopeful theme. Find a tune for silent yearnings, lend your voice and dare to dream. Dream a church where all who worship find their lives and loves belong. Sing a new world into being,

sing as Christ inspires your song.

Sing a new world into being, where each gender class and race. Brings its rainbow gifts and colours to God's limitless embrace. Where the lines that once divided form instead the ties that bind. Sing a new world into being, Risk transforming heart and mind.

Sing a new world into being, where the homeless find a home. Where no children ever hunger, but are filled with God's shalom. Where all people work for justice, where all hate and vengeance cease. Sing a new world into being, raise the harmonies of peace.

Sing a new world into being, Join the ancient prophets' cry. For a time of health and plenty, when all tears have been wiped dry. When compassion flows like waters, pouring balm for all who grieve.

Sing a new world into being,

Dismissal and Grace

Choral Amen

Notices

Worship arrangements

United services of worship alternate between Kirks. Sundays at 10.00am

9 February –Pitmedden Kirk
16 February – Pitmedden Kirk There will be Holy Communion
23 February –Tarves Kirk – Thinking Day
2 March – Pitmedden Kirk – election of Nominating Committee

See posters, our FB and website for more information. www.formartineparishchurch.org,uk

Tuesday Coffee Mornings in Tarves Kirk, from 10am – 11am. All welcome.

Pastoral Care:

Please contact Susanna Bichard 01651 851345 If you are aware of anyone in the Parish who might welcome church flowers or a visit please let an elder know. We are here for everyone, members or not. For all other events please check the links below: <u>https://www.facebook.com/FormartineParishChurch</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/formartineyouthprojectfyp</u> <u>www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk</u>

NB If you have any items to add please let me know or contact the above.