



Formartine Parish Church of Scotland

10am Sunday 30 November 2025 Pitmedden Kirk

1st Sunday of Advent

The service will be live via Zoom and also recorded.

Call to Worship

Lighting of the Candle of Hope

Leader: We read from the prophet Isaiah:
'Get yourself up on a high mountain, O Zion,
bearer of good news, lift up your voice
mightily, O Jerusalem, bearer of good news;
lift it up, do not fear. Say to the cities of
Judah, "Here is your God!"' – the Advent God
of creation.

The first candle is lit

Leader: As we light our first candle, we give
thanks to God for the gift of this bounteous

creation, celebrating its diverse life and
wondrous beauty. We know that all created
life should be enabled to flourish as God
intended, and yet often our actions do not
treat it with value. As we face the climate
crisis, we lament the ways in which creation
has been stifled and altered by our actions.
And yet, we also give thanks for the hope we
find in the Creator as we wait for God to visit
us again.

Sing chorus and verse 1 of 'Christmas is Coming' by John Bell

Hymn 282 Advent Ring

Praise: Hymn 543 Longing for light, we wait in darkness

Prayer of Approach

Reflection: 'Choose and Maybe'

Praise: Hymn 196 Come now is the time to Worship

Prayer for Understanding

The Word of God: Isaiah 2: 1-5; St Matthew 24: 36-44

Dedication of Offering

Praise: Hymn 710 'I have a dream', a man once said

Sermon: 'Luminance and Christ.'

Praise: Hymn 456 Christ is the world's true light.

Prayers for our World

Leader: Lord in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

Praise: Hymn 279 Make way, make way, for Christ the King.

Blessing and Choral Amen

Worship arrangements

Induction of Rev Aquila Singh

Thursday 11 December at 7.30pm in Pitmedden Kirk. Join us for this special Presbytery service when Aquila will be welcomed as our Parish Minister.

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

07 December – Tarves Advent 2

14 December – Pitmedden Advent 3

21 December – Tarves Advent 4

21 December – Pitmedden 'Lessons and Carols' 7pm

24 December – Tarves Christmas Eve all age 7pm

There will not be a service on Christmas Day

Live and recorded services

It has been decided to use YouTube for recorded services.

Pitmedden Kirk: live services will continue to be available via Zoom. They will also go up on YouTube.

Tarves Kirk: there will no longer be any live services via Zoom as the internet is so unreliable. Services will be recorded and go on YouTube.

Accessing YouTube:

Formartine Parish Church has its own YouTube channel and we hope that recorded services will be available within 2 days.

NB: please follow this link and subscribe to our channel.

www.youtube.com/@FormartineParishChurch

See posters, our FB and website for more information.

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.

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