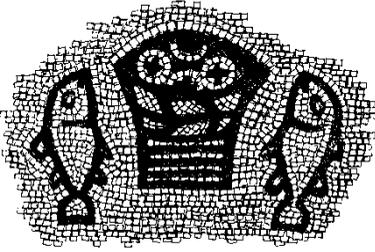


Welcome to the Parish Church of St Mark
Serving the people of Broomhill & Broomhall



A Sharing in the Hospitality of Christ

A Service of Holy Communion

Sunday 3 August 2014 at 10.00 am

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME AND GREETINGS, especially if you are new to St Mark's. May you soon discover what you are seeking and find companions for life's journey. This communion is more complete with you being a part of it.

Today's liturgy takes the form of a simple, yet profound, meal of thanksgiving and hospitality, a Eucharist or Holy Communion, which originates in the ministry of Jesus and has characterised Christian worship through the centuries.



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Before the service begins, we are all invited to share in a few moments of quietness in preparation for worship.

Preparing for worship

O God, with whom we wrestle until the break of day,
make us long to seek your face beyond the limits of our strength:
that in our wounds we may remember you,
and in your blessing we may find ourselves,
through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Janet Morley.

Gathering

Voluntary

Welcome

Hymn

KING OF GLORY, King of Peace,
I will love thee;
and that love may never cease
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
E'en eternity's too short
To extol thee.

*George Herbert (1593-1633).
Tune: Gwalchmai.*

Prayers of Approach

The Lord be with you:
and also with you.

EVER-LOVING GOD,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through **Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria

LAUDATE Dominum,
laudate Dominum,
omnes gentes, alleluia.
LAUDATE Dominum,
laudate Dominum,
omnes gentes, alleluia.

*Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord,
peoples, nations. Alleluia.
Praise the Lord,
Praise the Lord,
peoples, nations. Alleluia.*

Taizé Community. Tune: Jacques Berthier (1923-94).

Collect

Let us pray. *(please remain standing)*

Living Presence,
persuasive, generous,
opening reluctant hearts,
prizing clenched fists apart,
fill us with the spiritual food of compassion
and a willingness to share,
and renew in us the conviction
that together we can more than meet
one another's needs for daily bread;
in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Jim Cotter (alt).

Journeying together in Faith

As young members prepare to leave for their groups, a prayer is offered.

**May God guide each of us,
whatever our age or experience,
in the way of Christ –
the love of God go with you. Amen.**

Children, teenagers and group leaders set off.

Attending

Reading (*please take a seat*) – Genesis 32. 22 – 31, read by Briony Tayler

A reading from the book of Genesis.

THE SAME NIGHT Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' ²⁷ So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' ²⁸ Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Let us listen for the word of the Lord.

A time of quietness for reflection (image overleaf).



'Jacob Wrestling the Angel of God,' by Jack Baumgartner.

Hymn

EARTH'S FRAGILE beauties we possess
as pilgrim gifts from God,
and walk the slow and dangerous way
his wounded feet have trod.
Though faith by tragedy is rocked,
and love with pain is scored,
we sing the pilgrims' song of hope:
'Your kingdom come, O Lord!'

Earth's human longings we possess
by grief or love compelled
to take and bear the heavy cross
Christ's wounded hands have held.
By cloud and fire he leads us on
through famine, plague or sword,
singing with faith the pilgrims' song:
'Your kingdom come, O Lord!'

God's own true image we possess
in innocence first known,
now tainted by the hate and spite
to Christ's own body shown.
By that same wounded heart of love
God's image is restored,
to sing again the pilgrims' song:
'Your kingdom come, O Lord!'

Robert A Willis (b 1947);
tune: Kingsfold.

Gospel – Matthew 14. 13 – 21.

The good news is proclaimed from the heart of the worshipping community.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

NOW WHEN JESUS heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' ¹⁷ They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' ¹⁸ And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – The Rev'd Sue Hammersley.

The sermon is followed by a time of quietness for reflection.

Declaration of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God. *(please stand)*

**WE BELIEVE in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Ephesians 3.

Prayers of Solidarity & Concern, led by Janet Morley

The following chant may be sang before and after the intercessions.

Through our lives and by our prayers,
your kingdom come.

John L Bell (b 1949).

One of these or another set of biddings and responses is used.

Your kingdom come.
Your will be done.

God of our yearning.
We seek you.

God of justice, truth and love.
**Inspire us with your Spirit
to let your Kingdom come. Amen.**

Ever-beckoning God.
**We seek your presence
and will serve you. Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence & Forgiveness

Hear the teaching of Christ:
you shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your mind and with all your strength.

This is the first commandment.
And the second is this:
You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

In the light of Christ's teaching
and in the strength of God's forgiveness,
let us acknowledge our wrongdoing and failures.

Silence for preparation.

**MOST MERCIFUL GOD,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

May God forgive you,
Christ renew you
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace (*please stand*)

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

1 Corinthians 12.12-13.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

*We share Christ's peace with one another, especially with those who
are unfamiliar or from whom we are estranged.*

Hymn

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ALLELUIA, sing to Jesus!
his the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia, bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.

*W C Dix (1837-98).
Tune: Hyfrydol.*

Communing

Preparation

Tokens of our response to God, bread and wine, and the collection, are offered.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

1 Chronicles 29.11-14.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray. *(please sit or kneel)*

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

You are worthy of our thanks and praise,
Lord God of truth,
for by the breath of your mouth
you have spoken your word,
and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image
and placed us in the garden of your delight.
Though we chose the path of rebellion
you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.
You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets
to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth,
we echo the song of the angels in heaven,
evermore praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of truth and love,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he, O blessed is he,
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Setting from 'St Anne's Mass,'
by James Macmillan (b 1959).*

Lord God, you are the most holy one,
enthroned in splendour and light,
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ
you reveal the power of your love
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity,
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;
loving us to the end,
he gave himself to death for us;
dying for his own,
he set us free from the bonds of sin,
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all
he took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high
and we long for his coming in glory.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
form us into the likeness of Christ
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.
Bless the earth,
heal the sick,
let the oppressed go free
and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth
to feast with Mark and all your saints
at the table in your kingdom,
where the new creation is brought to perfection
in Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Common Worship, Prayer F.

Lord's Prayer & Sharing in Communion

OUR FATHER in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. **Amen.**

The bread is broken.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

Words of invitation follow.

Christ's table has been prepared
and Christ is the one who beckons.
Come take your place and feed on him.

Everyone is invited to share in the communion through receiving the bread and wine or, if preferred, a prayer of blessing. Please approach the altar rail with those around you. Gluten-free bread rolls are used.

During administration, we sing together the following chant:

Take, oh take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart
and live in me.

John Bell (b 1949).

At the conclusion, silence is shared.

Venturing

Prayers of Commitment

Let us pray.

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**FATHER OF ALL,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing

Go forth in peace:
let the wisdom of God guide your way,
let the compassion of Christ be your gift to the world,
let the fire of the Spirit be your inspiration;

and the blessing of God,
Creator, Christ and Sacred Spirit
rest upon you and all whom you love,
both living and departed, now and always. **Amen.**

Hymn

In honour of Donald Frederick Smith (20 November 1928 - 28 July 2014), Methodist Lay Preacher, founder member of Churches Together in Broomhill and Broomhall, long-standing friend of St Mark's and supporter of St Mark's CRC.

LOVE DIVINE, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without
ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Charles Wesley (1707-88); tune: Blauenwern.

Commission *(please face the back of church)*

Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life in our hands.
Now we put our lives in yours.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ Amen.

Voluntary

*Sharing in the hospitality of Christ
continues after this service with refreshments and Sunday lunch,
on Wednesdays at Lunch Club, on Fridays at Broomhall Breakfast,
on Saturdays at Soup Run, and wherever and whenever
food and friendship are offered in Christ's name.*

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On 4 August 1914, Britain entered what would become
World War I by declaring war on Germany.

Tomorrow, the church will be open
for private prayer and remembrance.

*They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them.*

Laurence Binyon (1869-1943).

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