

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



Rejoice and share the sacred gift of food with all.

A service for World Food Day

Sunday 16th October
10.00 am

Please take this service booklet home with you.

Welcome

A warm welcome to our service, especially if you are new to St Mark's. Please join us for refreshments afterwards, and you are very welcome to stay for today's lunch of soup and bread. Do introduce yourself to a member of the welcome team or clergy before you leave. Thank you for being here today.

About this service

We gather today as a community of all ages and this service has been planned with all age groups in mind. There are themed activity packs available for children to use as we worship together.

World Food Day (October 16th) was established in 1945 by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to increase awareness of world hunger and food security. 70 years later, we are here today at the end of the World Council of Churches' Week of Action on Food and as a new UK campaign is launched.

The End Hunger UK coalition is based on a vision of a UK where everyone has access to good food, and no one goes to bed hungry. Food banks and other local projects make amazing efforts to help people in crisis, but the only long-term solution is for the Government to play its role, and ensure that no one goes hungry. For more information visit <http://www.church-poverty.org.uk/appeal>



YELLOW LARGE PRINT versions of the Service are complete with the hymns and readings. To use the *Induction Loop*, please select the *T Setting* on your hearing aid. We ask that *mobile phones* and *paggers* be switched off or set to silent mode.

Gathering

Welcome

O God, you are the gathering one
who calls us into community with each other
to love and work, to support and heal.

You are the gathering one
who calls us into community with all people;
to bring justice and hope, freedom and truth.

You are the gathering one
who calls us into community with the whole creation;
to live in harmony, to cherish and renew.

Let us worship the God who makes us one.

Opening Hymn (*please stand*)

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim though this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven, bread of heaven
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
be thou still my Strength and Shield,
be thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
bear me through the swelling current,
land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

William Williams, trans. Peter Williams
Tune: Cwm Rhonda

*We usually remain standing until after the Collect,
but please feel free to sit down if that is more comfortable for you.*

Prayers of Penitence

If the hunger of others is not our own,
if the anguish of our neighbour in all its forms touches us not,
then we have no reason to go to church and to live.
Love means deeds not good wishes.

Javier Torres

We have more than we need,
but we don't share:
forgive us.

Others go hungry,
while we are comfortable:
open our eyes.

There is work to do,
close to home and overseas:
show us how to help.

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

The Collect

Bounteous God,
you give us our daily bread.
Inspire us to live out your commandment
to share our food with those in need
that we might be living signs of that kingdom
where all are fed and none go hungry,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please sit

Attending

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 58. 6-8

(The Message)

THIS IS THE KIND OF FAST DAY I'M AFTER:

to break the chains of injustice,
get rid of exploitation in the workplace,
free the oppressed, cancel debts.

What I'm interested in seeing you do is:
sharing your food with the hungry,
inviting the homeless poor into your homes,
putting clothes on the shivering ill-clad,
being available to your own families.
Do this and the lights will turn on,
and your lives will turn around at once.

Hymn (*please stand*)

The Spirit speaks in tongues of flame
that offer hope in darkest night,
sets thought and language running free
like sparks in tinder catching light.
Come Holy Spirit, dancing fire.
Kindle in us your heart's desire.

And Jesus drew the Spirit's breath
To shake the values of his day.
He sat at table with the poor –
The rich and mighty stayed away.
Come Jesus, come in burning rage.
Speak your good news to every age.

For God is known in blazing fire
that sparks the power of prophet's word
a call to act on poverty –
a call that must not go unheard.
Come God of justice, God of might
By your word, set our world alight.

Janet Wootton
Tune: Sussex Carol

JESUS SAT DOWN OPPOSITE THE TREASURY, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

How is this God's word of life for us today?

Responding

Stone Soup – a story.

We hold a time of quiet for reflection.

Prayers of Solidarity and Concern

This chant will be sung at the beginning and end of the prayers.

God bless to us our bread,
and give bread to all those who are hungry,
and hunger for justice to those who are fed.
God bless to us our bread.

Argentinian arr. John L Bell (b1949)

Greeting of Peace (*please stand*)

Those who sow in peace
raise a harvest of righteousness.

James 3:18

May the peace of God be always with you.
And also with you.

Hymn

A collection is taken for the ministry of St Mark's. If you are a taxpayer and are not currently a member of the church's planned giving scheme, please place your gift in one of the envelopes provided, writing your name and address on the front. Thank you.

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts,
shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Refrain

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

Refrain

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.

Refrain

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.

Refrain

*Bernadette Farrell
Tune: Longing for light*

Abiding

Preparation

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

What do you bring to Christ's table?

**We bring bread and wine, made by many people's work,
from an unjust world where some have plenty
and most go hungry.**

At this table all are fed, and no-one is turned away.

Thanks be to God.

Brian Wren

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray *(we sit or kneel)*

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to our gracious God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, God of all creation;

in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away

you did not reject us,

but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life

that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened his arms of love upon the cross.

On the night he was betrayed,

at supper with his friends

he took bread, and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**We do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

**We do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven, saying:

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

Common Worship, Eucharistic Prayer H

Lord's Prayer & 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.

Bread and wine;
the gifts of God for the people of God.

**May we who share these gifts
be found in Christ, and Christ in us.**

*Everyone is invited to share in the communion through receiving
the bread and wine or, if preferred, a prayer of blessing.*

We share gluten and dairy-free bread and alcoholic wine.

An alternative cup is available containing alcohol-free wine.

Please indicate if you would prefer this.

*During the administration the choir will lead the singing of
God bless to us our bread (used before and after the prayers)*

*Following this the choir will sing: A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester,
by L. J. White (1831-1913)*

Venturing

Prayer of Commitment

Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus,
you came that all might have life in abundance.**

**When you fed hungry people,
everyone ate and had enough.**

**May we never become accustomed
to the scandal of hunger in a world of plenty.**

**Rather, may we live in accordance
with your justice and equity. Amen.**

Kathy Galloway

Announcements

The Blessing

Go in the love of God
who inspires us,
in the friendship of Christ
who calls us,
and in the peace of the Spirit
who strengthens us to be witnesses
to a kingdom of love and hope;
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

Sent by the Lord am I; my hands are ready now
to make the earth a place in which the kingdom comes. *(Repeat)*
The angels cannot change a world of hurt and pain
into a world of love, of justice and of peace.
The task is mine to do, to set it really free.
O help me to obey; help me to do your will.

Trans. Jorge Maldonado

Commission *(please face the back of church)*

Freely you have received, freely give.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Sharing in the hospitality of Christ
continues after this service with refreshments and lunch
-please stay if you can-
and supper tonight at 6pm,
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.

The Ten Commandments of Food

from the World Council of Churches

- I. Give thanks for the food you eat.
- II. Eat food grown as close as possible to where you live.
- III. Strive for all people to have knowledge about and access to affordable, nutritious food.
- IV. Eat mindfully and in moderation.
- V. Do not waste food.
- VI. Be grateful to those who grow and prepare food for your table.
- VII. Support fair wages for farmworkers, farmers and food workers.
- VIII. Reduce the environmental damage of land, water and air from food production and the food system.
- IX. Protect the biodiversity of seeds, soils, ecosystems and the cultures of food producers.
- X. Rejoice and share the sacred gift of food with all.

The following sources have been used in compiling this service: 'Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England'; 'They Shall Not Rob Us of Hope' CAFOD, 1995; 'Recipes for Change' (Christian Aid Scotland, 2014);, locally crafted texts and from <http://www.church-poverty.org.uk/act/resources/ctgworship> and <http://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/events/churches-week-of-action-on-food>