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

The Parish Eucharist for the Easter season with Baptism of Sylvia Burnett-Stuart

Sunday 25 May at 10.00 am



Gathering

Introit: **BeThou MyVision** by Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart, be all else but naught to me, save that thou art. Be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping thy presence my light. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, be thou ever with me and I with thee Lord. Be thou my great Father and I thy true son, be thou in me dwelling and I with thee one. Be thou and thou only the first in my heart, O sovereign of heaven my treasure thou art. Great heart of my own heart whatever befall, still be thou my vision, O ruler of all.

Welcome

The President is Revd Dr Beth Keith The Deacon and Preacher is Revd Michael Bayley

Welcome

Followed by singing bowl and a period of quiet reflection

Opening Hymn

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend: I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me: the world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me, and within; but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end: O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend

O let me see thy foot-marks, and in them plant mine own; my hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone: O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my Friend.

John Ernest Bode (1816 - 1874) William Harold Ferguson (1874 - 1950) Tune:Wolvercote

Prayers of Approach

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

May God be with you **And also with you**.

We sit or kneel.

Introducing Sylvia

Sylvia is presented to the congregation:

I present Sylvia to be baptized and to take her place within the body of Christ.

As part of the Church of Christ, we all have a duty to support Sylvia in prayer and by our example.

So I ask all present today:

Will you support Sylvia on her journey of faith? With the help of God, we will.

Will you help her to live and grow within the body of Christ? With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

We all wander far from God and lose our way: Jesus comes to find us and welcomes us home. In baptism we respond to God's call.

Therefore I ask you, Sylvia's parents and godparents:

Do you turn away from sin? **I do.**

Do you reject evil? I do.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? I do.

Do you trust in Christ as Lord? I do. Jesus welcomes you as his own. Receive the sign of the cross.

Sylvia is anointed with the oil of baptism

Parents and godparents are anointed with oil of chrism

I anoint you for service; remain faithful to your calling as God remains faithful to you. Let us affirm together the faith into which Sylvia is to be baptized.

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. 17

Prayer over the Water

Praise God who made heaven and earth Who is faithful for ever.

Let us give thanks to our gracious God It is right to give thanks and praise The Baptism

Welcome

There is one God, one faith, one baptism Sylvia, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

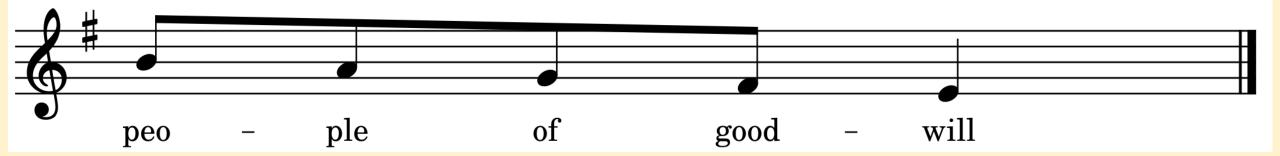
We welcome you in the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same loving God; we welcome you.

Coventry Gloria

Cantor: Glory to God, glory in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill.

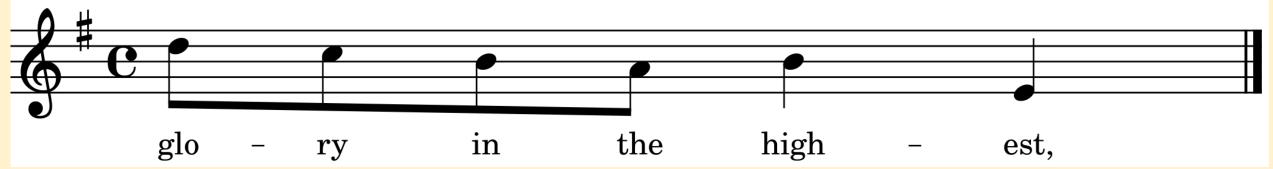
ALL: Glory to God, glory in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill.





Cantor: We praise you, we bless you,

All respond: Glory in the highest



Cantor: We adore you, **Glory in the highest.**

Cantor: We glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, **Glory in the highest.**

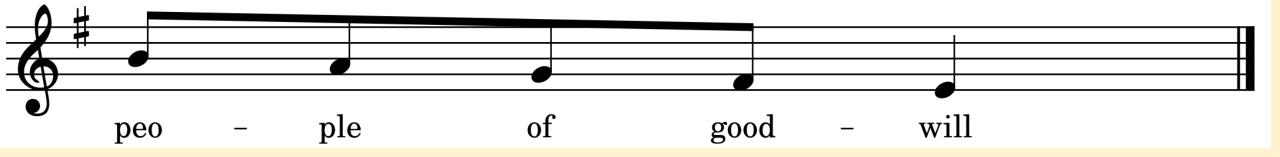
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Cantor: Heavenly King, Glory in the highest.

Cantor: O God Almighty Father.

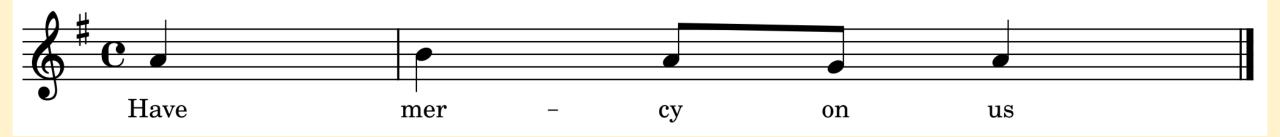
ALL: Glory to God, glory in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will





Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,

ALL: Have mercy on us



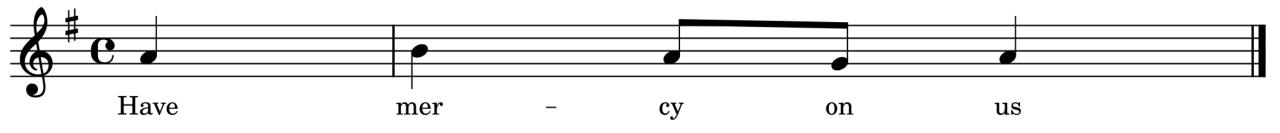
Cantor: You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer,

ALL: Receive our prayer



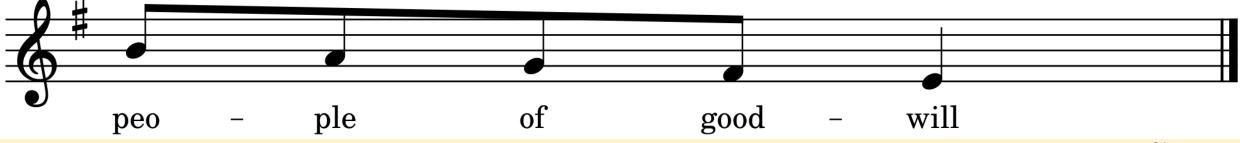
Cantor: You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us,

ALL: Have mercy on us.



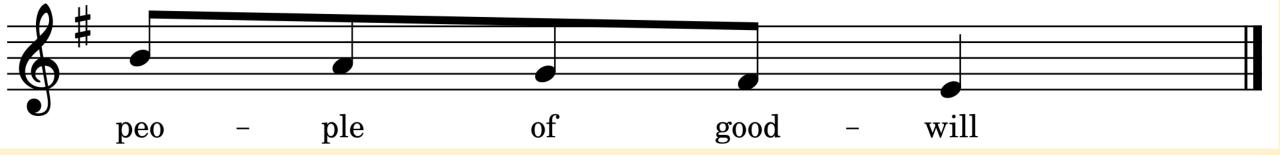
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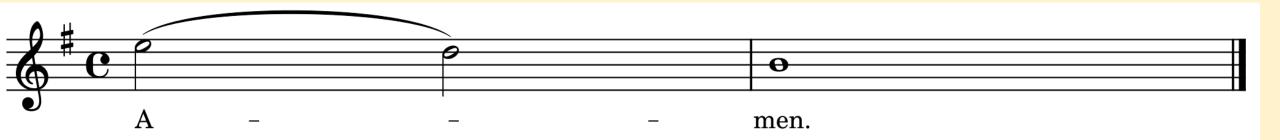


Cantor: For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father.
ALL: Glory to God, glory in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill.





Cantor: Amen ALL: Amen



Peter Jones (1951 – 2016)

The Collect

Birthing God, whose Spirit's wings stir the waters of creation: hear our stories of paralysis and exclusion; accept our desire for welcome and acceptance; and lead us to find our dignity in your gift; through Jesus Christ, the healer. Amen.

Credit Steven Shakespeare

Attending

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15 Page 132 New Testament NRSV

Read by Mike Hunt

At the end the reader says,

How is this God's word of life?

Gradual Hymn

In our darkness light has shone, Alleluia; still today the light shines on, Alleluia. Word made flesh in human birth, Alleluia; Light and Life of all the earth, Alleluia! Christ the Son incarnate see, Alleluia; by whom all things came to be, Alleluia. Through the world his splendours shine, Alleluia;

full of grace and truth divine, Alleluia!

Christ a child on earth appears, Alleluia; crown of all creation's years, Alleluia. God's eternal Word has come, Alleluia; he shall lead his people home, Alleluia!

> Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926) John David Jones (1827 - 1880) Tune: Gwalchmai

Gospel John 5. 1-9

- Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
- At the end This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ** Halle halle halle – lu – jah (x3) Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Sermon

Revd Michael Bayley

The sermon is followed by quiet reflection

Prayers of the People Led by David Price

Let us pray.

Risen Christ: We long to reflect your love.

God of new life: **May we live and hope as your faithful people. Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

The risen Christ stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit.'

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

We share a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

Peace before us, peace behind us,peace under our feet.Peace within us, peace over us,let all around us be peace.

Love before us, love behind us, love under our feet. Love within us, love over us, let all around us be love. Light before us, light behind us, light under our feet. Light within us, light over us, let all around us be light. Christ before us, Christ behind us, Christ under our feet. Christ within us, Christ over us, let all around us be Christ. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet. Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace.

> David Haas, based on a traditional Navaho prayer Tune: Prayer of peace

Abiding



Lord Jesus Christ, may our hearts be open to your love, and our lives to your risen life.

New Zealand Prayer Book

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray:

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to God.

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

With joy, we give you thanks, loving God, source of all that is. You came among us in Jesus, and we closed our hearts. Yet your love cries out to us from those outstretched arms, drawing us to your self-giving, re-creating power.

And so with followers in every age, with all creation and every voice that you have made we join the song of endless praise:

John Schofield

Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord, in power and wisdom forever adored. The earth and the heavens are full of your love; our joyful hosannas re-echo above.

Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free: who comes in the name of the Father of light, let endless hosannas resound in the height.

Tune: Slane

On the night before he died, Jesus met with his friends in the Upper Room to celebrate your saving love. At supper he took the bread broke it, gave it to them and said: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took the cup of wine, Blessed it and shared it with them saying This cup is the new covenant in my blood, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Breaking bread in the inn at Emmaus and on the lakeside's shore, Jesus showed himself to his doubting disciples transforming their pain into joy. May we who share these holy gifts meet with him and be fed by him as you pour out your promised Spirit on us and on these gifts.

Transformed by his death-defying life may we live gently in your creation, uniting earth with heaven as Jesus unites us with you.

Rejoicing in our risen and ascended Saviour we worship you:

Praise and glory to the God of life who is stronger than all kinds of death. Alleluia! Amen

John Schofield

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

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ, crucified and risen; **make yourself known in the breaking of bread.**

Words of invitation follow

All Christ once was and continues to be is offered to us in bread and wine, and in the company of others; so come, let us celebrate the feast. During Communion we sing the Chant :

Christus Resurrexit Jacques Berthier (1923 - 1994)

O Christus Resurrexit Christus Resurrexit O Alleluia Alleluia. The choir sing the anthem:

Ave Verum Edward Elgar (1857 - 1934)

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria virgine. Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine, cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

Trans: Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste in the trial of death!

At the conclusion, silence is shared.

Prayers of Commitment

EASTER GOD, you have met us in bread and wine, and surprised us with your joy. Send us out into the world, dancing with delight and with hallelujahs ringing in our hearts, to share your justice and your praise. Amen.

Notices

We hope you will be able to stay for refreshments after the service

To support the ministry of this church please use the card-reader at the back of church or visit the website.

Thank you.

Blessing

May the God of undying life, bring us to life; may Christ who set us free to love, accompany us on our way; may the Spirit, source of inspiration, fill us with wisdom and joy; and the blessing of God, Creator, Christ and Spirit of Life rest upon us and all whom we love, both living and departed, now and always. Amen.

Final Hymn

God the seed and God the sower, God the womb, the growth in earth; God the darkness, God the nurture, God the midwife at all birth. God unknown and God experienced, God in anger and in jest; God embodied, God transcendent, God in action and in rest. God the autumn, God the winter, God in death and letting go; God in grief and God in laughter, God, the constant ebb and flow. God of Advent, God of Christmas, God of resurrection grace; God the spring and God the summer, God alive in every place. May our hearts swell with compassion, sown with seeds of trust and peace; justice flow like mighty waters and Love's healing never cease.

> Eve Saunders John Stainer (1840 - 1901) Tune: Love Divine

Commission

Sylvia, today God has touched you with love and given you a place among her people. God promises to be with you in joy and in sorrow, to be your guide in life and to bring you safely home.

In baptism God calls you on a life-long journey. Together with all God's people you are called to explore the way of Jesus, grow in friendship with God and bring forth the fruits of the Spirit.

The Gift of Light

Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. Receive the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life. May God kindle in you the flame of faith the fire of love and the torch of truth. Amen.



In the strength of the Spirit, we go and live Christ's risen life.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Voluntary

Prelude in G, BWV 541 JS Bach (1685 - 1750)

Friendship Time

JOIN US FOR CONTEMPORARY 25 MAY, 7-8PM AND EVERY 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH ST MARK'S CHURCH, BROOMHILL

MISSION AREA ASCENSION DAY SERVICE

This Thursday 29 May 7 pm at St Mark's

A traditional Ascension Day service led by clergy and readers from the Mission area and with singers from St Johns and St Marks choirs.

Are churches losing faith in low-income communities?

Broomhall Centre, Broomspring Lane, Sheffield Thursday 29 May, 7:30pm – 9:30pm

Speakers will include:

Niall Cooper, CEO of Church Action on Poverty

Revd Lucy Sablan, who has been working in Arbourthorne and is now Rector of the Manor

Nick Waterfield, Pioneer Methodist minister and community worker in the Parson Cross community

Admission is free and there is no need to book. For more information, contact Briony Broome: briony.broome@hotmail.co.uk or 07801 532 954.

Church Action on Poverty in Sheffield

Open Communion is an inclusive service for LGBTQIA people that meets once a month Next service - 4pm on 8 June with a cup of tea beforehand



St Mark's Broomhill presents THINKING FAITH

On the second Sunday of the month we tackle a different topic, with time for questions and responses from guest speakers.

8 JUNE 7PM REASONABLE EVANGELISM: IS THERE A PLACE FOR EVANGELISM IN A LIBERAL AND RATIONAL FAITH?" The questions of how to evangelise, when a person has a liberal and rational faith, will be explored interactively with guests speaker Dr. Elli Wort

Dr Elli Wort is Head of Initial Training at Church Army, where she trains evangelists for lay ministry in the Anglican church. Also a Research Associate with Church Army, Elli has published works on the Gospel and culture in the North of England and on visual research, and for her PhD researched theologies of culture in Hull, City of Culture 2017. Elli is a member of the International Association of Mission Studies, British and Irish Association of Practical Theology, and Society for the Study of Theology.

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Contact Mary-Jane Ryder if you could help arrange the flowers occasionally, training provided.