



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

The Parish Eucharist
Climate Sunday

Sunday 14 September
at 10.00 am

Gathering

Introit:

***Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore***

Please do not take photographs or video's during the service

Welcome

The President today is Rev Dr Beth Keith

The Preacher and Deacon today is Canon Jane Brooke

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Followed by a period of quiet reflection

Opening Hymn

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as my best for thee be

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

*Text: John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811 - 1875),
Music: melody from the Rheinhardt MS, Uttingen (1754)
Tune: Was Lebet*

Prayers of Approach

○ God, make speed to save us.

○ Lord, make haste to help us.

Send forth your Spirit, ○ Lord

Renew the face of the earth

May God be with you

And also with you

Prayers of Penitence and Renewal

Creator God, maker of all that is:

**We acknowledge our failure
to live responsibly:**

**We have taken what we want,
without considering the consequences;
we have wasted and discarded,
without thought for the future.**

Refresh our insight, Living One.

**Help us to become children again,
alive to the newness and wonder of things,
ready to ask the troubling questions.**

Refresh our compassion, Loving One.



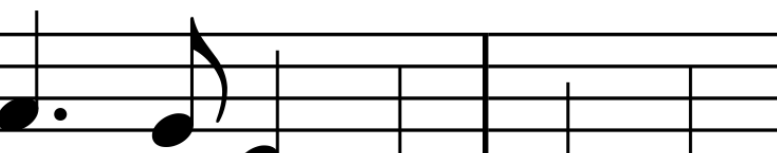
**Help us to build a world of inclusion,
where many voices, bodies and experiences
weave together the web of justice.**

Open our hearts and minds
to the signs of our times,

**to the groaning of creation,
that we may turn from our greed
and lack of vision
and see a world being made new
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

May God's Spirit breathe healing upon us
and release within us new life in Christ. **Amen.**

The Gloria (sung 3 times)

<i>Organ</i>	Congregation
	<p style="text-align: center;">Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a,</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">in ex-cel - sis, in ex - cel - sis, Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a,</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">in ex - cel sis De - o</p>

Barbara Rusbridge

Collect

Glorious God,
the whole of creation
proclaims your marvellous work:
increase in us a capacity to wonder and delight in it,
that heaven's praise may echo in our hearts
and our lives be spent as good stewards of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen**

‘A Time for Creation’ The Archbishops’ Council

Journeying Together in Faith

As we prepare to explore God's word together
let us pray:

**May God guide each of us in the way of Christ,
whatever our age or experience.**

The love of God be with us all. Amen

Please sit for our first reading, an out of the box story.

Out of the Box - The Hidden Heart



Gradual Hymn

Angel Falls, Everest, Grand Canyon, Loch Ness,
Sahara desert too hot for me,
Float on the water of the Dead sea.
Fish with wings, they can fly in the sea and in the sky,
Stripes! Spots! Sand or stone,
All change chameleon

Chorus

Isn't this just a wonderful world,
A wonderful world that we live in?
And whoever made this wonderful world,
Is someone that I can believe in.

Bee hive, honey comb, racing pigeon flying home.
Platypus, kangaroo, in the wild, in the zoo.
Heart beating like a drum, finger print on my thumb.
Head, shoulders, knees and toes,
I think that's how the song goes

Chorus

Isn't this just a wonderful world,
A wonderful world that we live in?
And whoever made this wonderful world,
Is someone that I can believe in.

Snowflakes drift down, lightning strikes the ground,
Wind whistling through the trees,
tiny veins on all the leaves.
Africa, India, Scotland, don't forget.
Hot and sunny, freezing cold. Ugh, wet

Chorus

Isn't this just a wonderful world,
A wonderful world that we live in?
And whoever made this wonderful world,
Is someone that I can believe in.

*Stephen Fischbacher (b. 1960),
arr Jonathan Rathbone
Tune: No name*

Gospel – John 15:1-8

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Halle halle halle-lujah! (x3)

Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah Hal-le, hal-le, hal-

- le - lu - jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu -

jah, hal-le - lu-jah, hal - le - lu - jah

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The melody is written in treble clef. The lyrics are: 'Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah Hal-le, hal-le, hal- - le - lu - jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah, hal-le - lu-jah, hal - le - lu - jah'. The music features various note values including eighth, quarter, and half notes, with some notes beamed together and others held over. The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Hal H Hopson (b. 1933)

Reflection

Canon Jane Brooke

Not Waste Food

Letter writing campaigns asking our MP's to support the CAN Bill. Councillors lobbied to restore our local recycling centres

Undertaking a project under the Green Church awards scheme

Now there's a challenge!

Local recycling guide produced and promoted via the website and noticeboard

Make it easier to dispose of things properly

Quiz supermarkets on unnecessary plastic

Organise a partnership with other churches (all denominations) to promote action across the local area

Good idea!
Our Mission Partners are both Eco Churches. That is a start.

Absolutely. Fabric and Finance are looking at these ideas and more. We are due to receive a diocesan grant of £35K to support us in 'quick wins'

Add more double glazing?
more solar panels?
Heat Pumps??

Thinking about climate action. What could we & our church do next?

An energy audit and a drone flyover heat sensor survey to help us plan the most effective measures we can take to conserve heat

Litter Pick for Children and Families

The area litter pick meets at Broomhill library on the 3rd Saturday of every month and is advertised in the notices. Children are welcome there are special pickers for them.

Improve insulation in the building

Build a wall of trees around the church

Childrens Eco Club.

Children's worship on the Green every month and Creation Care content accessed all year round

Supporting other churches who have fewer resources than us.

Encourage other churches to take part

We Now support other churches via the Eco Diocese Champion role

Quiz the charities we support on their environmental policies and pension funds

Encourage more walking and less car use where possible

An annual donation to Eco Church has been made for the past 2 years to help keep it free to access, let's keep this up.

We now have a Land Management Plan detailing how we intend to support nature

Suggestion passed to the two donation committees

Bike racks are installed and advice on public transport to church is on the website. We support the better buses campaign.





Prayers of the People

Led by Beth & the children

Creator God

Make us good carers of the earth.

Greeting of Peace

Those who sow in peace
raise a harvest of righteousness.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.

Offertory Hymn

Father of heaven whose love profound
a ransom for our souls hath found,
before thy throne we humbly bend;
to us thy pard'ning love extend.

Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
before thy throne we humbly bend;
to us thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
the soul is raised from sin and death,
before thy throne we humbly bend;
to us thy quick'ning pow'r extend.

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son,
mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
before thy throne we humbly bend;
grace, pardon, life, to us extend.

Text: Edward Cooper (1770 - 1833),
Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823 - 1876)

Tune: Rievaulx³³

Abiding

Preparation

Creator God, Give us a heart for simple things;

Love and laughter,

Bread and wine,

Tales and dreams.

Fill our lives with green and growing hope,

Make us a people of justice

whose song is 'Alleluia'

and whose name breathes love.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray

We sit

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.

God our parent,
your face is turned towards your world.
In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.
Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them in heaven's song, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of truth and love.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Loving parent of us all,
we give you thanks for every gift of grace.
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith and words of hope
he touched untouchables with love
and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.
On the night he was betrayed
he came to table with his friends
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
he took the cup, gave it and said:
This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, with this bread and this cup
we remember how he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Creator, Christ and Spirit of Life:

**Blessing and honour
and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Common Worship Eucharistic Prayer D – adapted

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

I am the bread of life, says the Lord.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.

**Taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy are those who place their trust in him.**

During Communion, we sing the Chant:

A blessing on our gathering, a blessing on our gathering,
a blessing on our gathering, the harvest of love's seeds.
A blessing on our giving, a blessing on our giving,
a blessing on our giving, born of fearless strength.

Text: Steven Shakespeare, Music: Andrew Sanderson

*The choir sings the anthem: **Earth Song***

*Sing, be, live, see this dark, stormy hour, the wind it stirs.
The scorched earth cries out in vain.
O war and power you blind and blur.
The torn heart cries out in pain.
But music and singing have been my refuge,
and music and singing shall be my light.
A light of song, shining song, alleluia!
Through darkness and pain and strife
I'll sing. I'll be, live, see peace.*

Franck Tichelli (b. 1958)

At the conclusion, silence is shared.

Prayers of Commitment

**LIVING GOD,
thank you that in your generous love
you have given us what we need,
and companions for our journey.
May we travel forward in your strength
to work with you
in our beautiful and needy world. Amen**

Announcements

To support our ministry and outreach financially please use the card reader or visit the website for more options.

Blessing

May God the Holy Spirit,
who hovered over the waters of creation
and formed the world from chaos,
form you in the likeness of Christ
and renew the face of the earth.
And the blessing of God,
Creator, Redeemer and Spirit of Life,
rest upon you and all whom you love,
both living and departed, now and always. **Amen.**

Final Hymn

The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God's house forevermore
my dwelling place shall be.

Text: Psalm 23 from the Scottish Psalter (1650),
Music: melody by Jessie Seymour Irvine (1836 - 1887)
Tune: Crimond

Commission

By love and through the maker:

We will walk in wonder.

By faith and through Jesus:

We will walk in justice.

By hope and through the Holy Spirit:

We will walk in wisdom and in joy.

Ruth Burgess

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Fugue in G BWV 577 by JS Bach (1685 - 1750)

Friendship Time

Refreshments are served at the end of the service.

Please stay if you can.

For those on Zoom, we hold a breakout group after the voluntary

All are welcome.

Fairtrade Stall Today

After the Service

Delicious drinks,
snacks and treats!



FAIRTRADE
FOUNDATION

Heritage Open Days at St Mark's

Tues 16 September
13:00 – 17:00

Friday 19 September
10:00 – 14:00



STORIES OF HOPE AND HUMANITY FROM THE NHS

18 September

7.30 pm

Live storytelling evening
at the Montgomery Theatre.

Register via Eventbrite

Coming to St Marks
'JUST' ECONOMICS? with Ann Pettifor
Political Economist
Morning of Saturday 20 September 2025



Ann will offer critical analysis of prevailing governmental strategies before outlining an alternative ethically driven, environmentally-responsible approach in which economics serves the common good.

Booking still open! Reserve your place via Eventbrite!

THINKING FAITH

12 October 7pm



Faith encounters disability

Challenges and Insights

The Reverend Frances Young, OBE, FBA

Frances Young, the mother of Arthur, who was born with profound learning disabilities, taught Theology at the University of Birmingham. She is a retired Methodist minister, regularly leading worship in the churches of the Sheffield Circuit. She is the author of two books that tell Arthur's story and explore faith in relation to her family experience.

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