

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

Harvest Festival

Sunday 5 October at 10.00 am

Gathering

Introit: **Thou Visitest the Earth** Maurice Green (1695 - 1755)

Thou visitest the earth and blessest it, and crownest the year with thy goodness.

Welcome

The President is Revd Dr Michael Bayley
The Deacon is Anne Padget
The Preacher is Anne Padget

Welcome and Singing Bowl Followed by a period of quiet reflection

Opening Hymn

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest-home! All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin; God, our maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied; come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest-home!

We ourselves are God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield; wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown; first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear: grant, O harvest Lord, that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

Then, thou Church triumphant, come, raise the song of harvest-home; all be safely gathered in, free from sorrow, free from sin, there for ever purified in God's garner to abide: come, ten thousand angels, come, raise the glorious harvest-home!

Text: Henry Alford (1810 - 1871) and others Music: GJ Elvey (1816 - 1893)

Tune: Saint George's Windsor

Prayers of Approach

We gather in the name of God, Maker, Redeemer, and Sustainer of the Earth and all creatures! **Amen.**

Blessed are you, Source of all things, to you be praise and glory forever. As your dawn renews the face of the Earth bringing light and life to all creation, bring hope to your people.

May we rejoice in this day you have made:

Open our eyes to behold your presence and strengthen our hands to work for justice for all life, that the world may rejoice together and give you praise.

(Adapted from Lancelot Andrewes, 1626)

Litany of Lament and Repentance

We sit or kneel

As we reflect upon the ways in which we diminish one another and our beautiful earth's resources, we come before God in sorrow and renew our commitment to protecting the earth's resources for all.

Silence for preparation

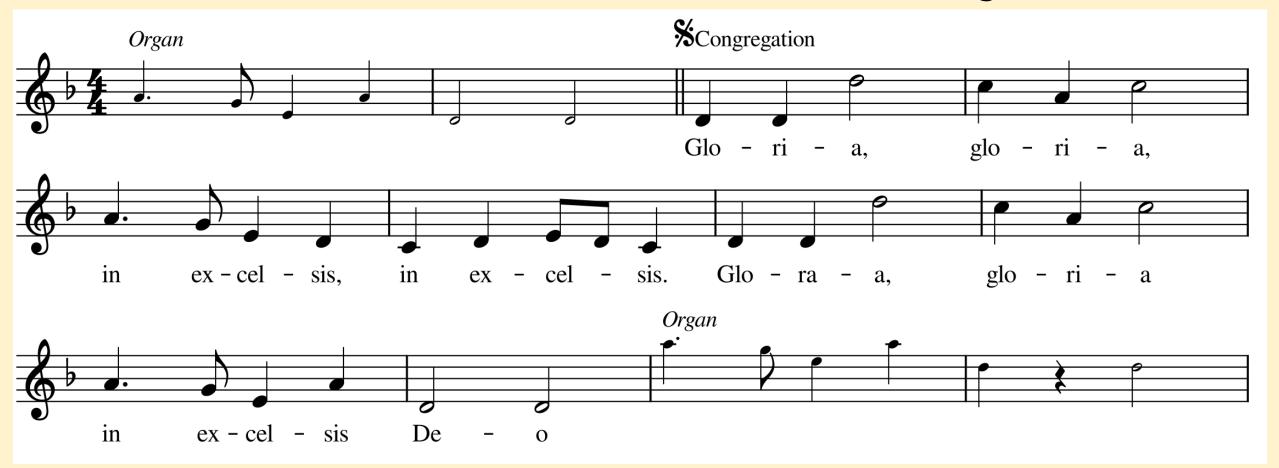
God of hope and healing may your Rivers of Righteousness wash away our apathy, our greed and selfishness and reveal our deep relationship with this planet. Nourish us with the water of life that restores, turning deserts of despair into oases of hope.

> Revd James Shri Bhagwan, (adapted) General Secretary of the Pacific Conference of Churches

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you, heal you and strengthen you and give you the courage to make a difference.

Amen

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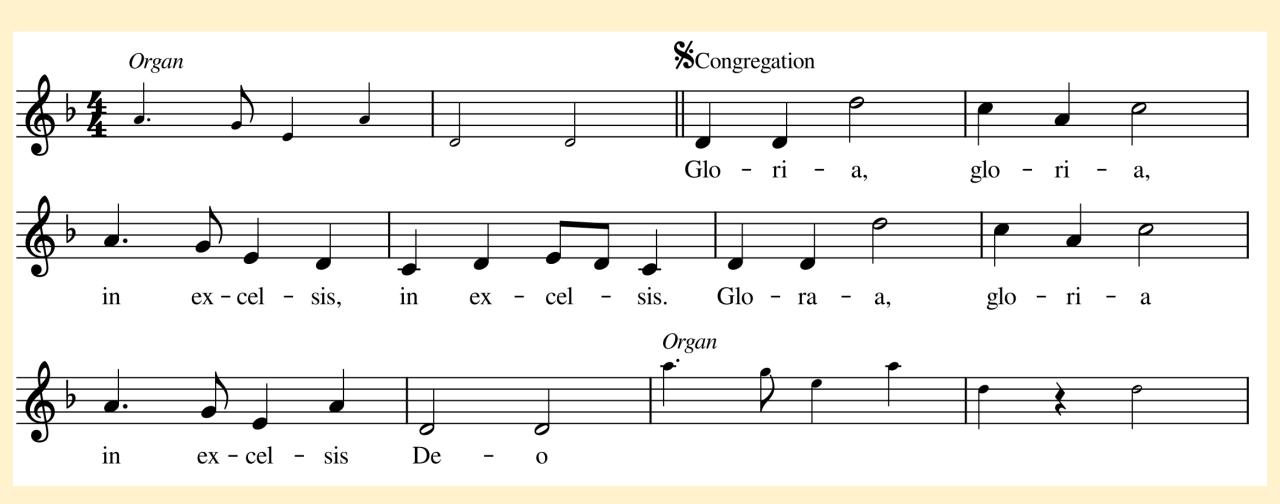


Gloria, gloria, in excelsis, in excelsis Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo

Cantor:

Peace on earth to all your people, Lord God heavenly King We worship you, almighty Father, let our voices ring!

Sing...

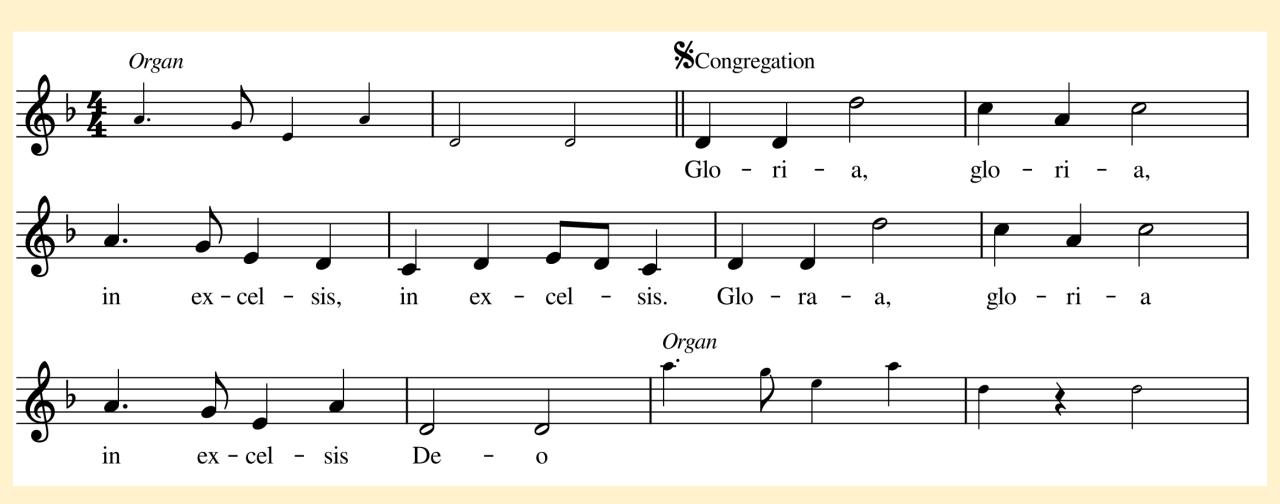


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Cantor:

Jesus, blessed lamb of God, to you our voice we raise. You take away our sins, O Lord, receive our song of praise!

Sing...

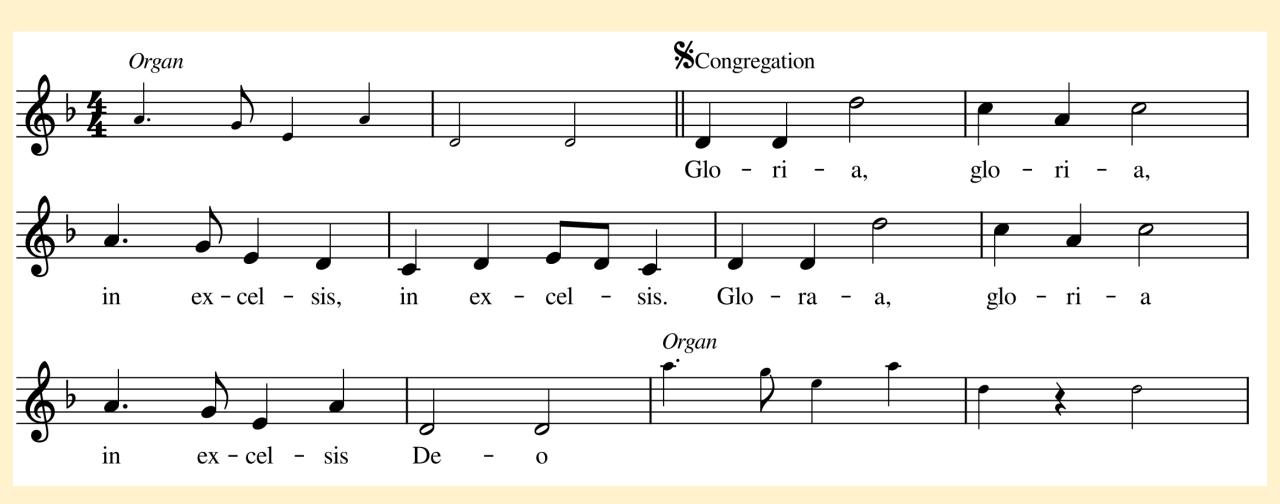


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Cantor:

Holy Lord in highest heaven, how our hearts rejoice. In God the Father, Son and Spirit so, with loudest voice,

Sing...



Gloria, gloria, in excelsis, in excelsis Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo

The Collect

God of evolving diversity, made known in seed and soil, and the wonder of animal worlds: free our hearts from the anxiety which knows only domination; open our being to learn from the life with which we share this earth; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of the harvest. Amen.

Steven Shakespeare

Journeying Together in Faith

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

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

Attending

We sit for our first reading

Deuteronomy 26.1-11

Read by Sandra Newton Page 188 Old NRSV

At the end the reader says,

How is this God's word of life?

Gradual Hymn

We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand. God sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes, and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above. We thank you, God, we thank you, God, for all your love.

You only are the Maker of all things near and far. You paint the wayside flower, you light the evening star. The winds and waves obey you, by you the birds are fed; much more to us, your children, you give our daily bread.

All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above. We thank you, God, we thank you, God, for all your love.

We thank you, then, Creator, for all things bright and good, the seed-time, and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. Accept the gifts we offer for all your love imparts, and what you most would welcome: our humble, thankful hearts.

All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above. We thank you, God, we thank you, God, for all your love.

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Text: Matthias Claudius (1740 - 1815),
trans. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817 - 1878)
alt. Music: Johann Abraham Peter Schulz (1747 - 1800),
harmonised by John Bacchus Dykes (1823 - 1876)
Tune:Wir Pflügen
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Gospel John 6. 25-35

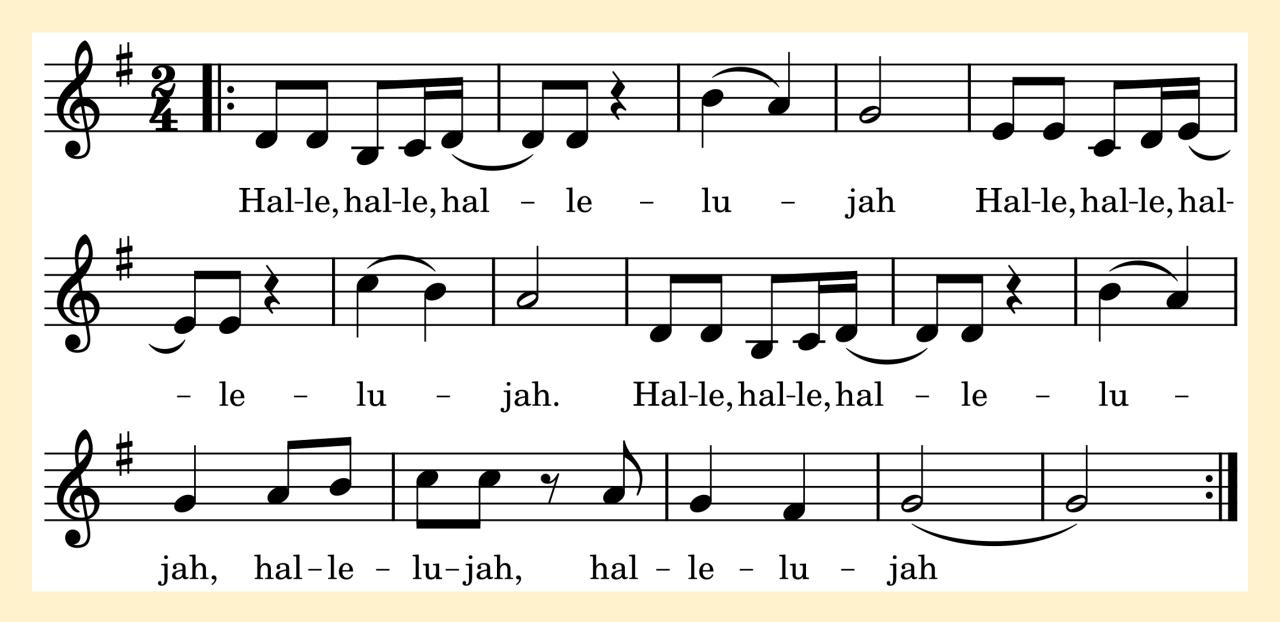
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Chant: Halle halle halle-lujah! (x3)
Hallelujah, hallelujah!



Hal H Hopson (b. 1933)²

Sermon

Preacher Anne Padget, Reader

Afterwards we share a time of quiet

Prayers of the People led by John Schofield

Let us pray.

God of life and love:

Graciously hear us.

Living, suffering, loving God,
Hear us and help us
to care for your creation.
Amen.

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

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of human love, family, chosen and by birth, friends on earth, and friends above, pleasures pure and undefiled:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For thy church which evermore lifteth holy hands above, off'ring up on ev'ry shore her pure sacrifice of love: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

> Text: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835 - 1917), Music: adapted from Conrad Kocher (1786 - 1872) by William Henry Monk (1823 - 1889)

Tune: Dix

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. Amen.

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.

Mysterious God, we discern your wisdom in the ordering of the universe and the rhythm of the seasons; in the purposefulness of creation and the pattern of our days.

From the origins of our species, you called us into covenant to cultivate Paradise and make manifest the beauty of the earth.

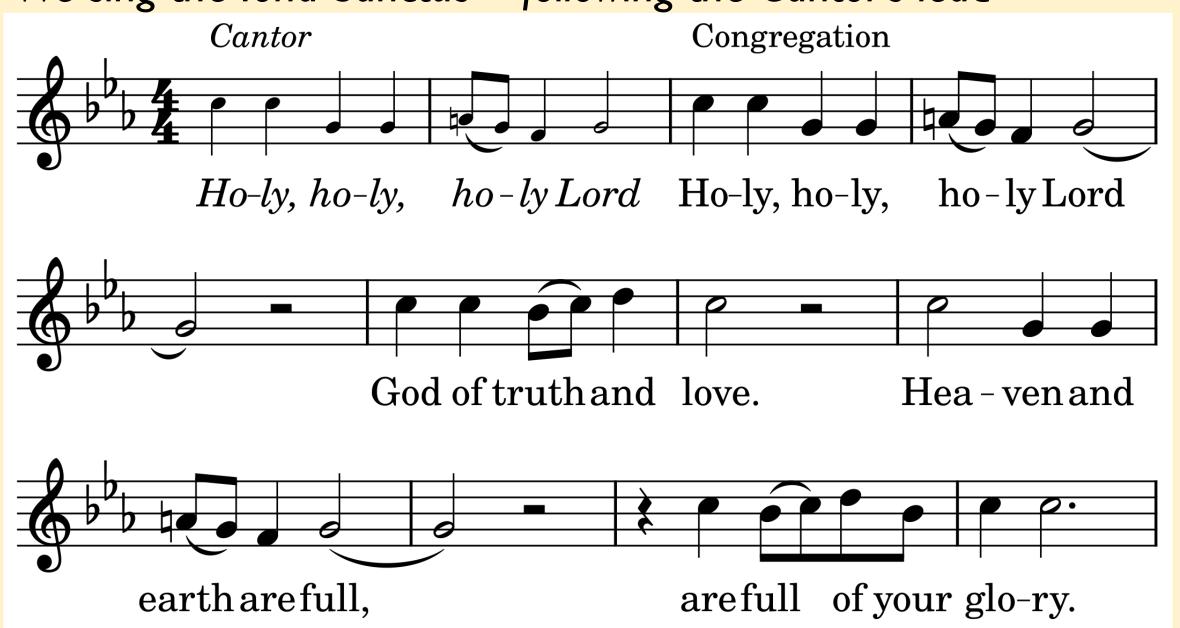
When we made gods of ourselves and abused our freedoms, you inspired prophets and sages to challenge our pretensions and guide us in your ways.

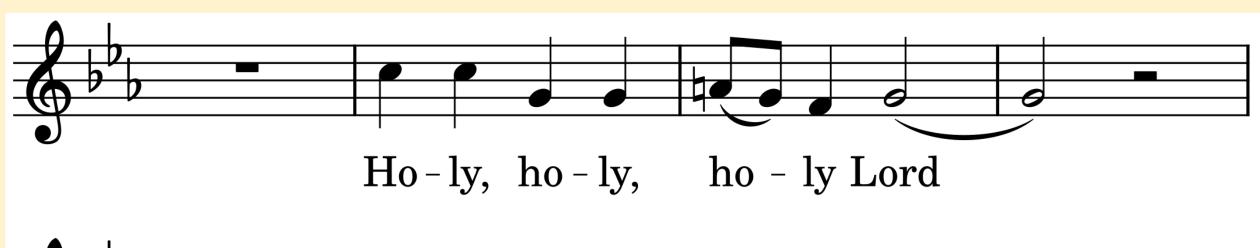
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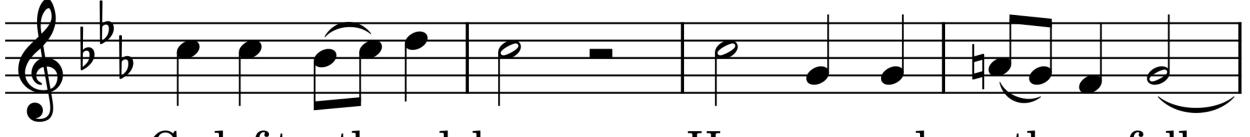
With unceasing kindness you beckon us back to Eden to discover our integrity in communion with you and all your creatures.

Therefore, with all who bear the breath of life and animate your glory we voice creation's praise.

We sing the Iona Sanctus – following the Cantor's lead





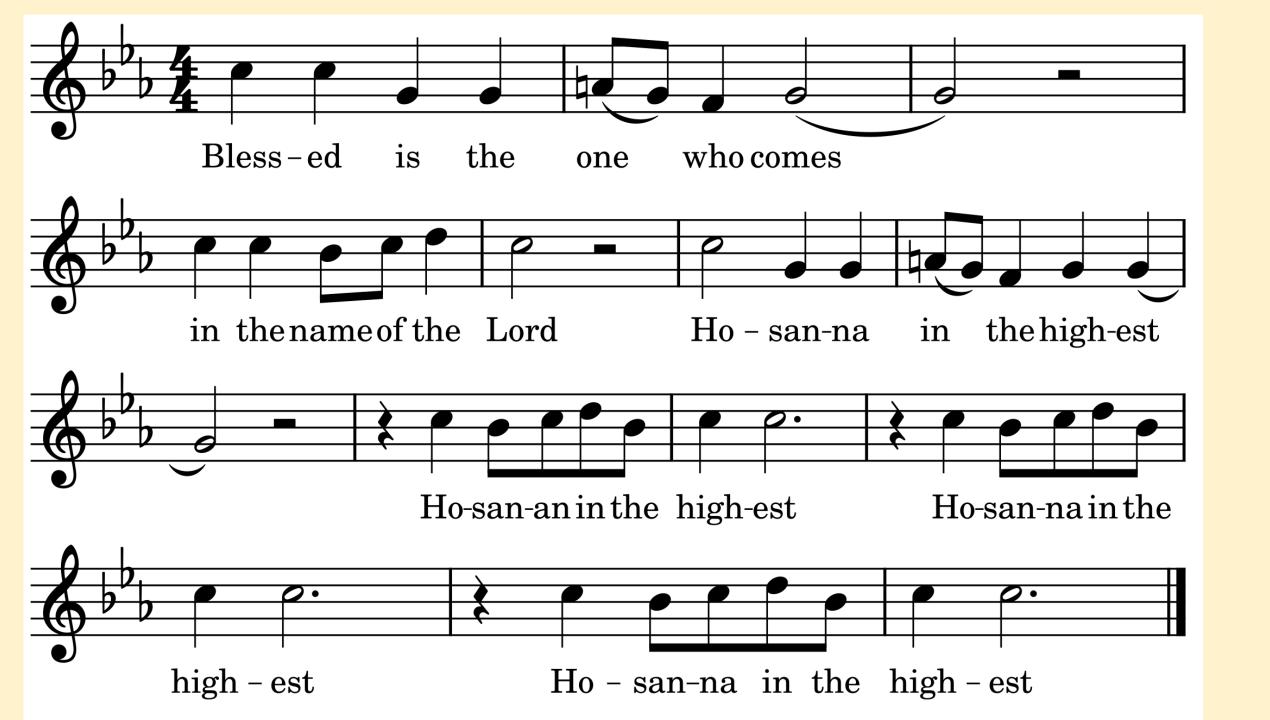


Godof truthand love.

Hea-venand earth arefull,



are full of your glo-ry



Especially, we praise you for coming among us in Jesus, who sowed seeds of faith within yielding souls – spreading forgiveness across arid landscapes, causing justice to blossom where oppression thrived.

From a bountiful earth,
he prepared a banquet of blessing;
from a broken humanity,
he gathered a people to be blessed.

On the eve before he gave himself up, Jesus anticipated the feast of your kingdom one final time. Among companions, taking bread, he gave thanks, broke it and offered it to them, saying,

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

Later, he took a cup of wine, gave thanks, and offered 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.

Come, Spirit of Jesus, come, Breath of Life, stir within us and rest upon this bread and wine that, sharing in communion, we may be united in Christ and restored to covenant with all who bear the image of their creator and long for the day when healing shall rise up with the dawn and justice roll down like an ever-flowing stream. Ament

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 in solidarity with the brokenness of the world.

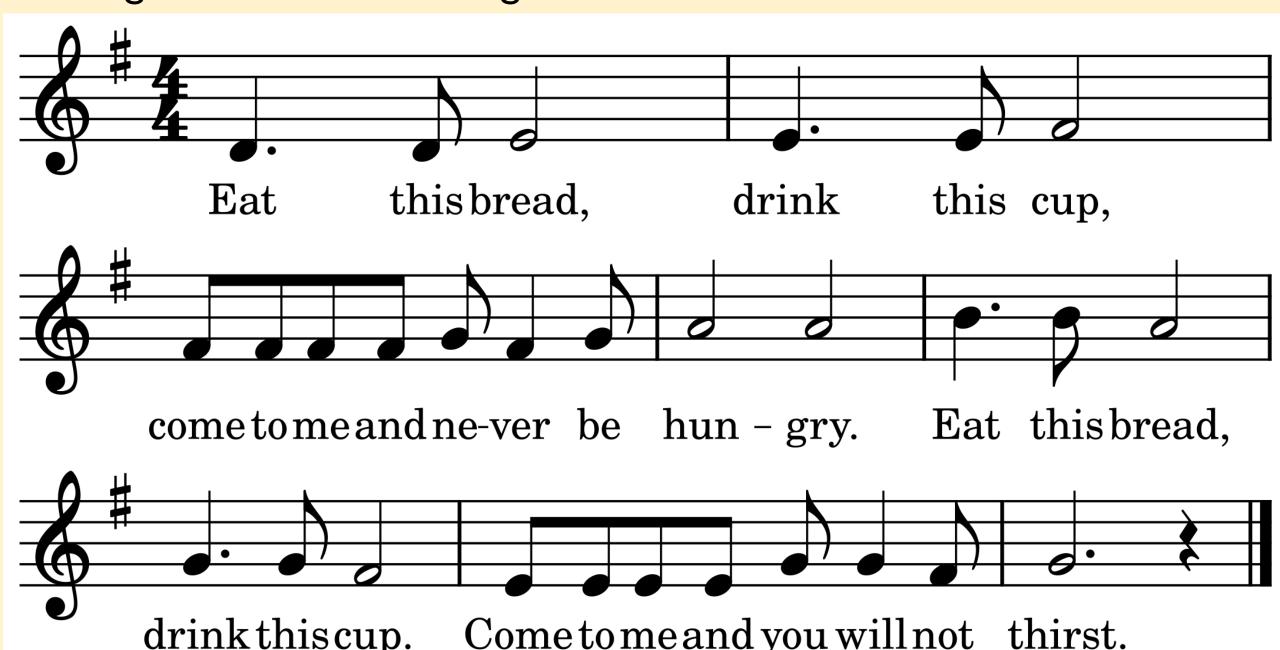
In solidarity we accompany one another towards our recovery.

We receive the gift of life

We remember, we receive. In flesh and in spirit we are one body. All are welcome at the table, to receive bread and wine or a blessing. Please come forward with those around you.

The bread is gluten free soft pitta. Gluten free wafers are also available.

During Communion we sing the Taize chant Eat this Bread



The choir sing the Anthem

Look at the World by John Rutter (b. 1945)

Prayers of Commitment

God of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanks for your love and shared in bread and wine. By grace, plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ, Amen.

Announcements

The **NOTICES** section on our website is updated weekly

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

Blessing

- May God bless us with strength to seek justice. **Amen.**May God bless us with wisdom to care for the earth. **Amen.**
- May God bless us with compassion to embrace those in need.

Amen.

- And the blessing of God, Creator, Christ and Spirit of life,
- be among you, and all whom you love,
- both living and departed, now and always. Amen.

Final Hymn

Cauliflowers fluffy and cabbages green,
Strawberries are sweeter than any I've seen,
Beetroots purple and onions white,
All grow steadily day and night.
The apples are ripe, the plums are red,
The broadbeans are sleepin' in a blankety bed.

Blackberries are juicy and rhubarbs are sour,
Marrows are fattening hour by hour,
Gooseberries hairy and lettuces fat,
Radishes round and runner beans flat.
The apples are ripe, the plums are red,
The broadbeans are sleepin' in a blankety bed.

Orangey carrots and turnips cream,
Reddening tomatoes that used to be green,
Brown potatoes in little heaps,
Down in the darkness where the celery sleeps.
The apples are ripe, the plums are red,
The broadbeans are sleepin' in a blankety bed.

Text:VP Mitchell, Music: HC Mitchell

Commission (We turn to face the back of church)

Go in the light and peace of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Postlude

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911), arr. Patrick Williams

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.

Support The Archer Project by **DONATING** cash OR PURCHASING Homemade jams, chutneys and preserves which will be on sale after the service







Sign the petition

On the weekly notice board at the back of church

THIS SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER AT 7PM

CONTEMPLATIVE COMMUNION

A simple and contemplative service, with the focus on remembering Jesus in sharing bread and wine.





Children's Choir

Restarts Thursday 9th October

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.



18 October

10am-4pm

Rotherham Minster Thanks to
Pauline Miller, Gill
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for donating flowers
&

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