

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

A Day to Remember

Sunday 9 November at 10.00 am

Introit

Gathering

Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace. Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease. In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

Orlando Gibbons (1583 - 1625)

Welcome

The President and Preacher is Revd Dr Beth Keith The Deacon is Jonathan Williamson

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Followed by a period of quiet reflection

Opening Hymn

All my hope on God is founded; she doth still my trust renew.

Me through change and chance she guideth, only good and only true.

God unknown, she alone calls my heart to be her own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray her trust; what with care and toil we fashion, tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, deep her wisdom, passing thought: splendour, light and life attend her, beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore, from her store, new-born worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ her Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

Text: Robert Bridges (1844 - 1930) based on the German of Joachim Neander (1650 - 1680), Music: Herbert Howells (1892 - 1983) Tune: Michael

Prayers of Approach

We remain standing but please sit if you prefer

Grace, mercy and peace, From God our Father And the Lord Jesus Christ Be with you. And also with you.

Prayers of Penitence & Renewal

We sit or kneel

Christ calls us to share his love with all the saints in earth and heaven. Knowing the inequalities of the world, let us confess our share in all that is wrong

Silence for reflection

God forgive us, for we are fragmented persons.

We mouth liberation, but live oppression. We pray for peace, but live in conflict. We shout justice, but accept injustice. We preach love, but don't always live it out. Through your compassion, have mercy on us and make us whole, that we may discern your voice and follow your Way. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by the National Council of Churches of the Philippines 1989

God who is both power and love, forgive you and free you from all sin, heal and strengthen you by the Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ.

Amen.

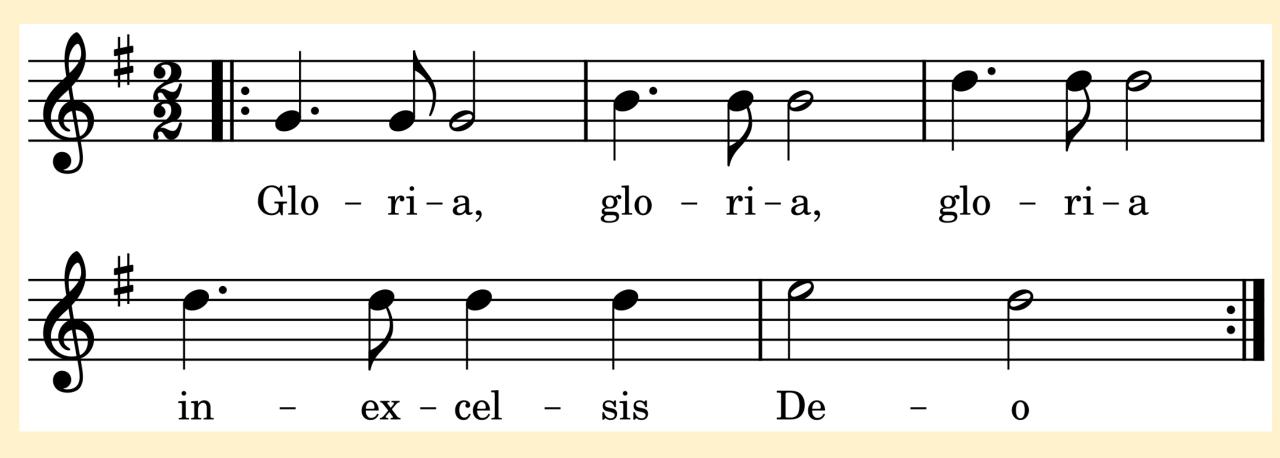
Greeting of Peace

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they are God's own.'
We meet in Christ's name and share his peace.

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

We share with one another a sign of peace

Iona Gloria Sing three times



The Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Attending

First Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end read by Robin Saunders Page 203 New Testament NRSV

At the end the reader says: How is this word lifegiving?

Gradual Hymn

Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain, Informed of God's own bias, we ask him once again: "How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind? How long dare vain self-interest turn prayer and pity blind?"

To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age, We offer earth's indifference, its agony and rage: "When will the wronged by righted? When will the kingdom come? When will the world be generous to all instead of some?"

God asks, "Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach? And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach? And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know? And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?"

Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat. Attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote, A saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

Text: John L Bell (b. 1949)
Tune: Sally Gardens

Gospel Luke 20.27-38

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

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Preacher: Revd Dr Beth Keith, Vicar

Afterwards we share a time of quiet

Chant before our prayers, by Margaret Rizza



Prayers of the People Led by David Price

God, Spirit of infinite compassion,.

May our lives reflect your love.

At the end
Ever present Spirit of Grace,
You lead us into truth
We open our hearts to your loving guidance.
Amen

Offertory Hymn

Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise; in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

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O loving wisdom of our God! when all was sin and shame, a second Adam to the fight, and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail.

And that a higher gift than grace should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very self, and essence all divine.

And in the garden secretly, and on the cross on high, should teach his brethren, and inspire to suffer and to die.

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Text: John Henry Newman (1801 - 1890), Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823 - 1876)

Tune: Gerontius

Abiding

Preparation

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

Receive them for the renewal of the world.

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.

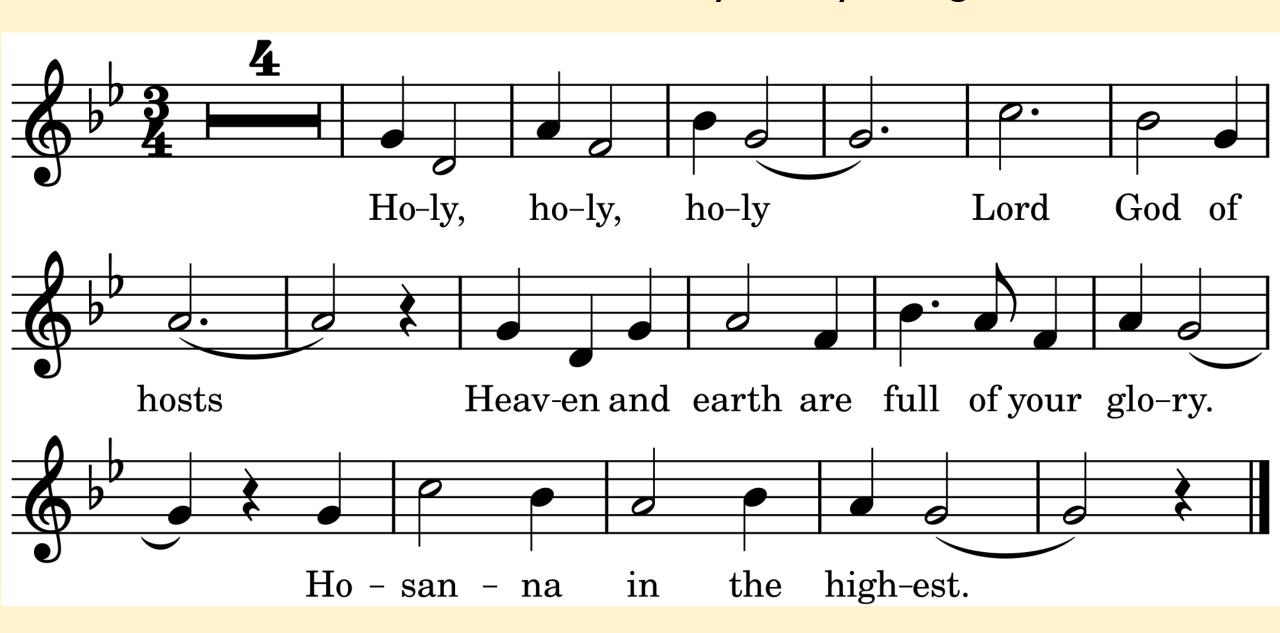
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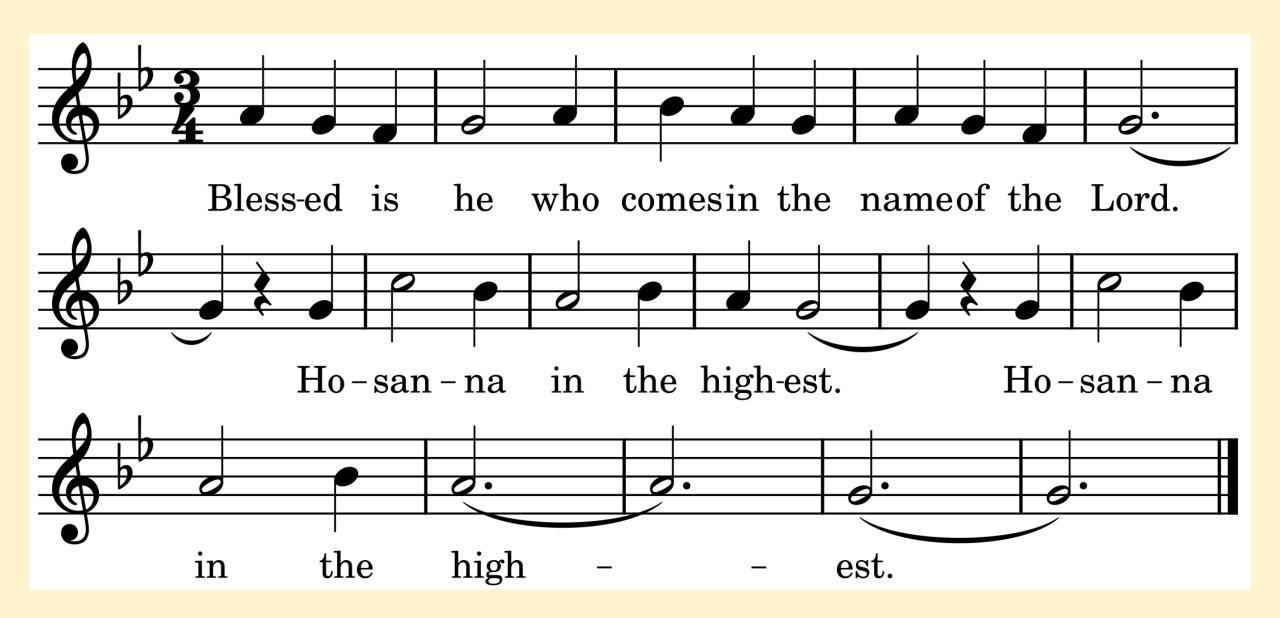
Christ, our companion, we thank you for calling us to be your body here on earth each of us a different member with a unique part to play, all of us belonging to one another united by your Spirit, bound together in love.

We thank you for the glorious variety of those who follow in your way: people of every age and outlook, embracing every culture and language, inhabiting every continent and nation finding their vocation in you.

And so, with all in every age who have sought to serve you and to live in your light, we raise our voices in acclamation, singing:

From the Mass of Creation by Marty Haughen





And now we remember the night when, before giving up your body to death, you entrusted it to your own.

At that meal with your friends, taking a loaf of bread, you blessed it, broke it into pieces and offered it them, saying: 'This is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me'

A little later, taking a cup of wine you blessed it and offered it to them, with these words:

'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

As we remember how your fragile body was broken, breathe upon us your life-giving Spirit that all who eat this bread and drink from this cup may find their communion in you and their place within your body that what you lived for and died for may live on in us.

Amen.

Ian Wallis (adapted)
Inspired by I Corinthians II & I2

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.

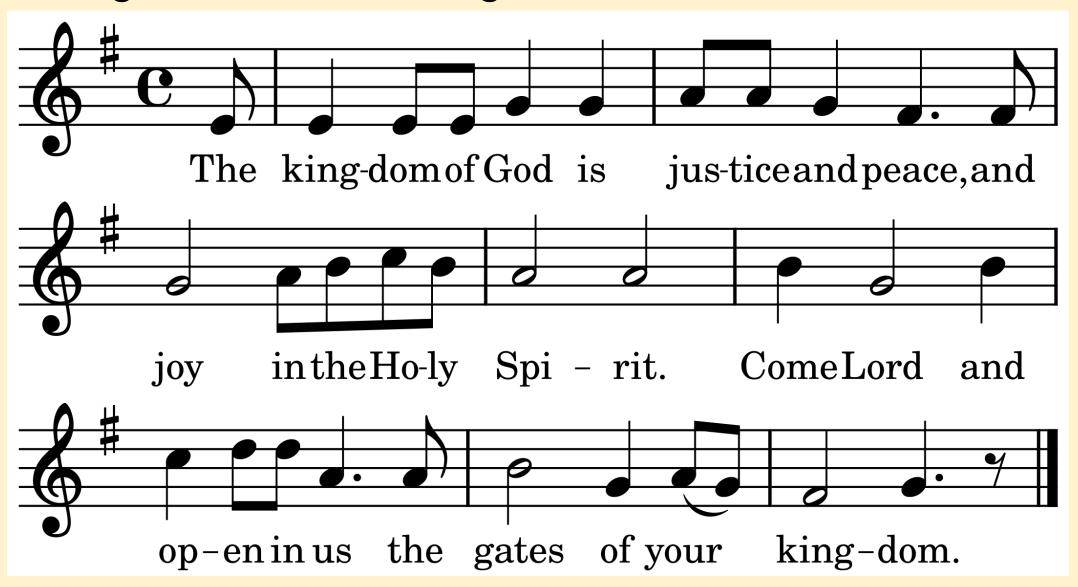
The bread is broken and the invitation extended

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.

Bread and wine, gifts of the earth, work of human hands, food both of earth and of heaven.

During communion we sing the Taizé chant:



Jacques Berthier (1923-94)

During our communion the choir sings the anthem

In remembrance

Do not stand at my grave and weep.

I am not there, I do not weep.

I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glint on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain. I am the gentle morning rain.

And when you wake in the morning's hush,

I am the sweet uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight.

I am the soft stars that shine at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry. I am not there, I did not die.

Act of Remembrance and Commitment to Peace

Let us pray

Ever-beckoning God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth; lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust; lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our heart, our world, our universe. Amen.

Act of Remembrance

The Silence

Two minutes' silence is observed.

We remember all whose lives have been touched by conflict, all who make sacrifices for peace and those who live and work in war zones today.



At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring, We remember.

At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer, At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn, We remember.

At the rising of the sun and at its setting, We remember.

Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour all people; and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be among you, and all whom you love, both living and departed, now and always.

Amen

Final Hymn

O day of peace that dimly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to justice, truth, and love, delivered from our selfish schemes. May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from envy find release, till by God's grace our warring world shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.

Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small; as beasts and cattle calmly graze, a little child shall lead them all. Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord; the hope of peace shall be fulfilled for all the earth shall know the Lord.

> Text: Carl Pickens Daw Jr. (b. 1944), Music: CHH Parry (1848 - 1918)

> > Tune: Jerusalem

Act of Commitment

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of conflict? We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity? We will.

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

Organ Voluntary

Nimrod Elgar (1857 - 1934)

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 to which you are welcome.

THINKING FAITH Tonight at 7pm

Understanding Islam
Ameena Blake
Muslim Chaplin to the University of Sheffield

This session is for anyone who wishes to gain a better understanding of Islam. We have invited Ameena Blake, a well qualified Islamic Scholar, to talk about her faith and her own spiritual journey. Ameena has a Master's in Islamic studies and qualifications in English, Teaching and Leadership. Amongst other things, she has studied women in the Quran.

Open Communion

An inclusive service for LGBTQIA people

Meets once a month

Tonight at 4pm

with a cup of tea before



Church Lunch 23rd November





Please send in your Stewardship Pledge forms by mid November

More information on the table at the back of church.



Please give your time

Take a look at the poster at the back of church

to choose the role that would suit you!

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