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

*The Parish Eucharist
for the Season of Lent*

Exploring Social Justice

Sunday 01 March
at 10.00 am

Gathering

“God has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.”

Micah 6.8 (NIV)

Gathering

Introit: Litany to the Holy Spirit

Peter Hurford (1930 - 2019)

In the hour of my distress, When temptations me oppress, And when I my sins confess, Sweet Spirit, comfort me! When I lie within my bed, Sick in heart and sick in head, And with doubts discomforted, Sweet Spirit, comfort me! When the house doth sigh and weep, And the world is drown'd in sleep, Yet mine eyes the watch do keep, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

Please do not take photos or videos during the service.

Welcome

The President is Revd Dr Beth Keith

The Deacon is Revd Sam Cowling-Green

The Preacher is Revd Sam Cowling-Green

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Opening Hymn

In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

In him shall true hearts ev'rywhere
their high communion find.
His service is the golden cord
close-binding humankind.

Join hands, united in the faith,
whate'er your race may be;
who serve my Father as their own
are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north.
All Christlike souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham (1852 - 1941)

Music: Neil Dougall (1776 - 1862)

Tune: Kilmarnock

Prayers of Approach

May God be with you
and also with you.

Ever-beckoning God
**you call us to leave behind falsehood
and seek our integrity in you:
may our hearts be open to your love
and our minds to your truth,
that we may learn to worship what is worthy
and to serve what is good,
in Jesus' name. Amen.**

The Collect

O God whose word is fruitless
where the mighty are not put down.
the humble remain humiliated,
the hungry are not filled, and the rich are:
Make good your word, and begin with us.
Open our hearts and unblock our ears
to hear the voices of the poor and share their struggle;
and send us away empty with longing
for your promises to come true in Jesus Christ. Amen

Janet Morley

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

First Reading: Acts 2.37 -47

Page 116 New Testament NRSVA

Read by Sandra Newton

At the end the reader says,

Let us wait upon God's word of life.

Followed by quiet for reflection

Psalm 63

Mark Cobb

We sing together.



Org. ALL

I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings.

The image shows a single line of musical notation on a five-line staff. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody consists of several measures of music, including quarter notes, eighth notes, and a dotted half note. The lyrics 'I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings.' are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. Above the staff, the word 'Org.' is written above the first measure, and 'ALL' is written above the second measure. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Choir sings:

O God you are my God, eagerly will I seek you.

My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you as a dry and thirsty land where no water is.

Choir sings:

So it was when I beheld you in the sanctuary, and saw your power and glory.

For your unchanging goodness is better than life. Therefore my lips will praise you.

We sing together.



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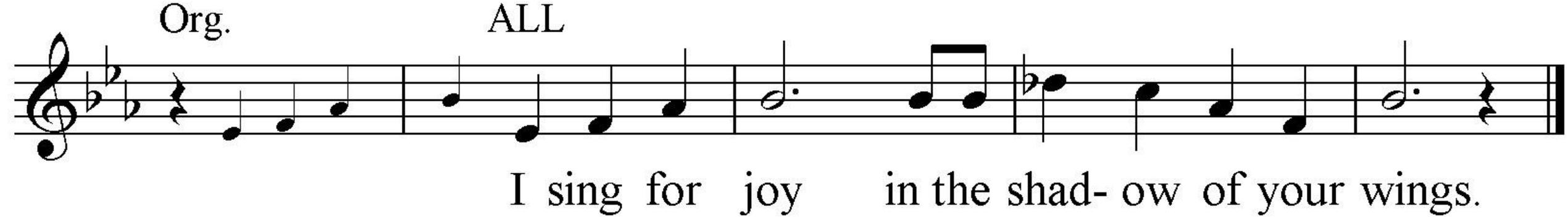
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Choir sings:

And so I will bless you as long as I live: and in your name
will I lift my hands on high.

My longing shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness:
my mouth shall praise you with exultant lips.

We sing together.



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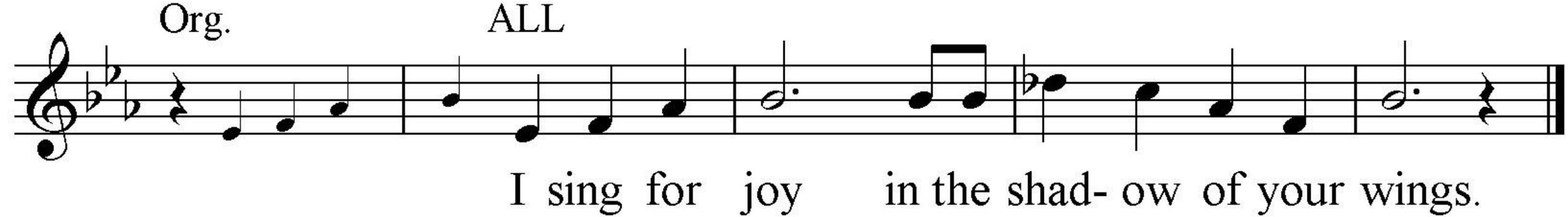
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Choir sings:

When I remember you upon my bed: when I meditate
upon you in the night watches.

How you have been my helper: then I sing for joy in the
shadow of your wings.

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Gospel

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

(at the end)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon

Preacher: Revd. Sam Cowling-Green

The sermon is followed by quiet reflection

Liturgy of Penitence

Jesus said:

“Above all else, strive for God’s reign of justice.”

Matthew 6.33

We do not always live up to our calling.

The Kyries are sung

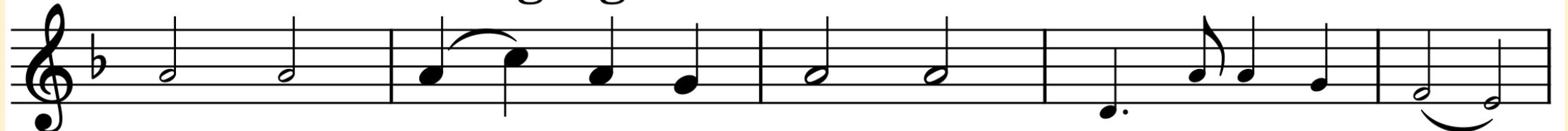
The Bridget Setting, John Bell

Cantor *Congregation* *Cantor*



Ky-ri-e e - lei-son *Ky-ri-e e - lei-son* *Chris-te e -*

Congregation *Cantor*



lei-son *Chris-te e - lei-son* *Ky-ri-e e - lei -*

Congregation



son
Ky - ri - e - e - lei - son

Holy God,
when we draw back from the anger
which would compel us to fight for justice:
forgive us and make us angry for change.

When in our fear we silence our own voices
and deny our claim to be heard:
forgive us and make us angry for change.

When we allow our anger to be buried
beneath indifference and uneasy compromise:
forgive us and make us angry for change.

When our desire for a quiet life
maintains a false peace and leaves injustice unchallenged:
forgive us and make us angry for change.

Holy God,
give us that anger which is strong and clear,
coming from the depths of our passion.
**Make us angry for change,
until right prevails
and justice and healing are done.**

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

Affirmation

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

**In life,
in death,
in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

We are not alone.

'A New Creed,' United Church of Canada

Prayers of the People

Led by John Schofield

Let us pray

Your kingdom come;
your will be done.

God of justice, truth and love;
**inspire us with your Spirit
to let your kingdom come. Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

Christ is our peace,
creating in himself a new humanity,
reconciling all people to one another and to God.

cf Ephesians 2.14-16

We meet in Christ's name and share in his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We share a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

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 pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

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

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

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

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

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts,
Shine through the darkness.

Christ be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

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

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

Text and music: Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957)

Tune: Christ be our light

Abiding

Preparation

What do you bring to Christ's table?

**We bring bread,
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.

What do you bring to Christ's table?

**We bring wine,
made by many people's work,
from an unjust world
where some have leisure
and most struggle to survive.**

At this table all share
the cup of pain and celebration
and no-one is denied.

Thanks be to God.

These gifts shall be for us
the body and blood of Christ.
**Our witness against hunger,
our cry against injustice,
and our hope for a world
where God is fully known
and every child is fed.
Thanks be to God.**

Brian Wren (b 1936)

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.

God of the jubilee,
in Christ, you shatter the temples
we create to contain you
and reveal your will
to loose the bonds of injustice
and let the oppressed go free,
to share your bread with the hungry
and shelter the homeless poor.

Silence our pretensions
and prepare our hearts
to suffer the cries of your suffering people
as we join with all in every age
who have been stirred by your passion
and long for your light to break forth like the dawn,
raising our voices in protest and acclamation, 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.**

Especially, we praise you
for coming among us in Jesus,
in him, your kingdom is made manifest,
through him, your will is fulfilled,
with him, we are called into your service.

And now, it is our duty and our joy,
to remember the night he gave himself up
and was handed over to death.

In the company of friends,
gathered around a table,
Jesus took bread, gave thanks,
broke it and offered it to them, saying,
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,
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
do this in remembrance of me.

And so, Lord of the Fast,
breathe your passionate Spirit into this communion
that all may feed on Christ
and taste his sacred hunger
for a world renewed by your justice
and transformed by your grace.

Amen.

Inspired by Isaiah, chapter 58

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.**

Agnus Dei - St Bride, by John Bell (sung as a round)

Cantor Congregation

Lamb of God you Lamb of God you take a-way the
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1, 2 3.

sins of the world, have mer-cy on us
sins of the world, have mer-cy on us
sins of the world, grant us your peace.

Grant us your peace. Grant us your peace

Words of invitation follow

All Christ once was
and continues to be
is offered to us
in bread and wine,
in communion together;
so come,
let us celebrate the feast.

The choir sing Listen, sweet dove by Grayson Ives (b. 1948)

Listen, sweet Dove, unto my song, and spread thy golden wings in me;

hatching my tender heart so long, till it get wing and fly away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou did'st bestow, the earth did like a heaven appear.

The stars were coming down to know if they might mend their wages and serve here.

The sun, which once did shine alone, hung down his head and wished for night,

when he beheld twelve suns for one, going about the world and giving light.

Lord though we change thou art the same, the same sweet God of love and light.

Restore this day for thy great name, unto his ancient and miraculous right.

Prayer of Commitment

Let us pray

**God of the open hand,
in whom all find a welcome:
help us to feed the hungry,
give refreshment to the thirsty,
provide covering for the naked,
care for the sick,
and extend a hand of friendship to the lonely,
as fellow pilgrims of Love's embrace. Amen.**

Churches Together in Britain and Ireland.

Announcements

To support our ministry and outreach financially please consider joining our regular giving scheme.
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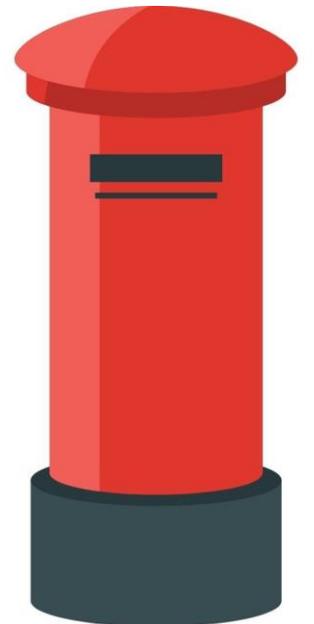
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Sunday 1st March
After the 10am service

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THINKING FAITH

Sunday 8 March at 7pm



Pilgrimage

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Blessing

Go forth into the world,
offer worship that is worthy -
pursue justice, embrace kindness,
practice humility;

and may the blessing of God,
Creator, Christ and Spirit of Life
rest upon you and all whom you love,
both living and departed, now and always. **Amen.**

Final 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.

○ let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
○ speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
○ 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.

Text: John Ernest Bode (1816 - 1874)

Music: William Harold Ferguson (1874 - 1950)

Tune: Wolvercote

Commission

Jesus invites us to a way of celebration,
meeting and feasting with the humble and poor.

Let us walk his way with joy.

Jesus beckons us to a way of risk,
letting go of our security.

Let us walk his way with joy.

Jesus challenges us to listen
to the voices of those who have nothing to lose.

Let us walk his way with joy.

Jesus points us to a way of self-giving,
where power and status are overturned.
Let us walk his way with joy.

Jesus calls us to follow the way of the cross,
where despair is transformed by the promise of new life.
Let us walk his way with joy.

Jan Berry

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Voluntary

Fantasy on Aus der Tiefe (Heinlein)

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

With thanks to Tom Corns for playing the organ

Friendship Time

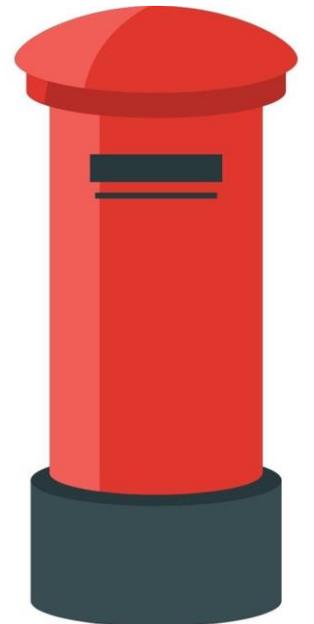
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