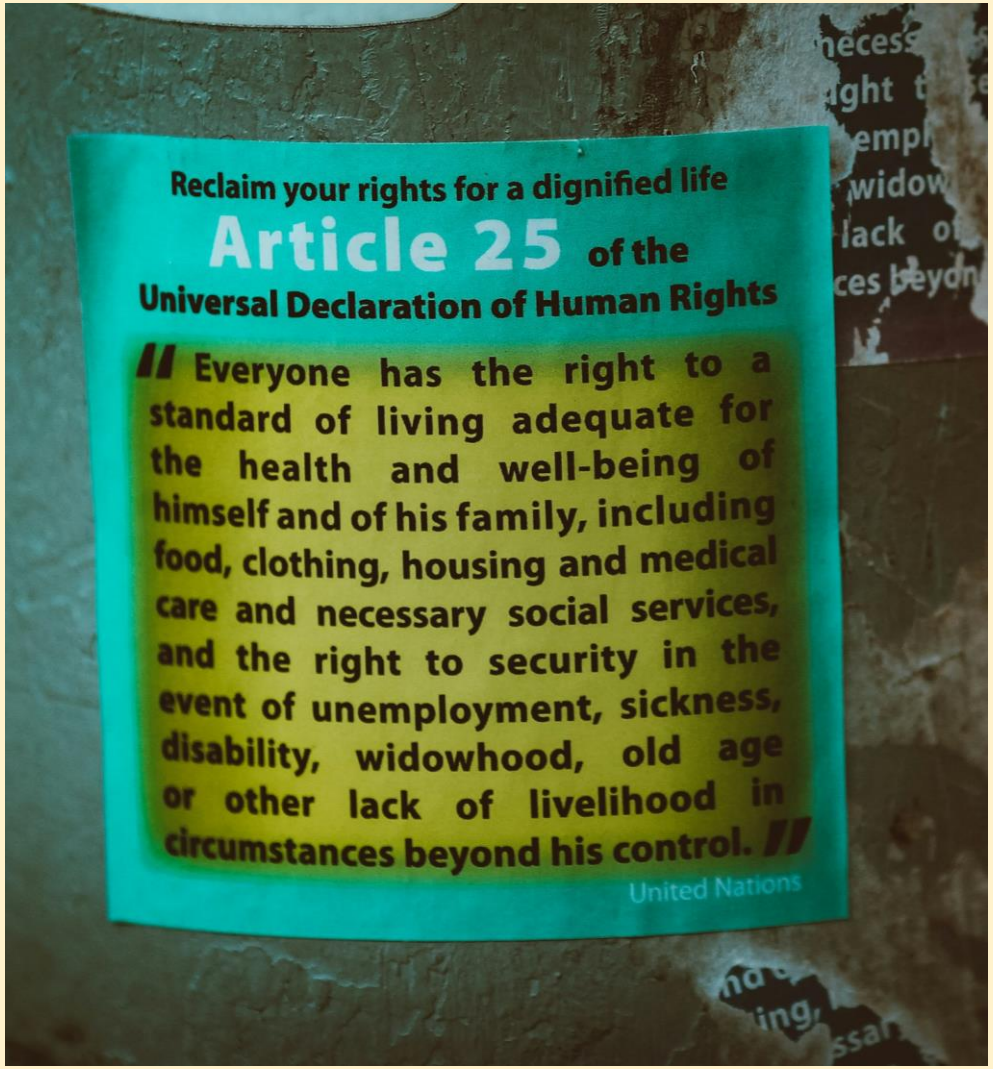

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Welcome to the Parish Church of St Mark

Serving the people of Broomhill & Broomhall

Living Thinking Loving Faith

The Parish Eucharist for the Season of Lent

Exploring Social Justice

Sunday 15 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: **The Lord Bless and Keep You** John Rutter (b.1945)

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you
and give you peace.
Amen.

Please do not take photos or videos during the service.

Welcome

The President is Revd Dr Mark Newitt
The Deacon and Preacher is Revd Dr Beth Keith

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Opening Hymn

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone,
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)
Tune: All are welcome

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

Loving God,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful,
watch over us and hold us.
Help us to make space for others
and to be your welcoming presence in the world,
through Jesus Christ.
Amen.

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: Ruth 1.1-18
Page 248 Old Testament NRSVA
Read by Nicky Woods

At the end the reader says,
Let us wait upon God's word of life.

Followed by quiet for reflection

Gradual 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

Gospel Luke 10.25-37

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 Dr Beth Keith

The sermon is followed by quiet reflection

Liturgy of Penitence

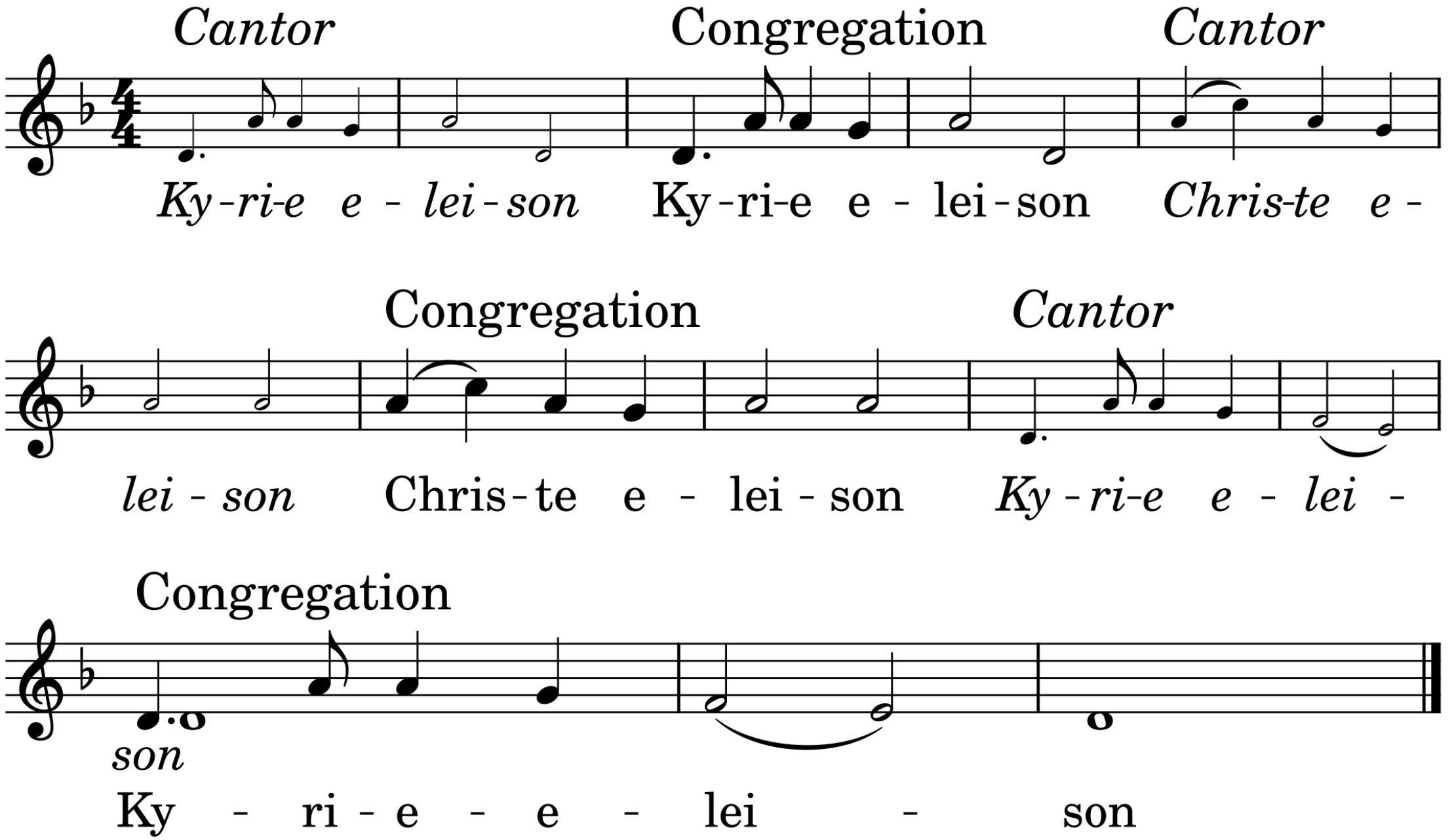
Jesus said:
"Above all else, strive for God's reign of justice."

Matthew 6.33

We do not always live up to our calling.

The Kyries are sung

The Bridget Setting, John Bell



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.

Jan Berry

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 Bek Hampson

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

Lord, we thank you for our mothers,
for our sisters and our brothers,
fathers, children and all others
who make up the family.

Father, thank you for all carers,
those who strive to be the sharers
of all burdens, and the bearers
of your love in family.

Lord, we know when love is dying,
parents hear their children sighing;
let them never cease from trying
to find peace in family.

Father, Mother, ground of being,
you sustain beyond our seeing,
still in Christ our brother freeing
us to be your family.

Lord, we thank you for all mothers,
for all nephews, aunties, brothers,
nannies, neighbours, grandads, others
who build up the family.

Father, as we do our duty,
you reveal in all your pity
promise of heavenly city,
and bring home your family.

Text: Nick Jowett
Music: German carol melody, arr. R Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958)
Tune: Quem Pastores

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 pretentions
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

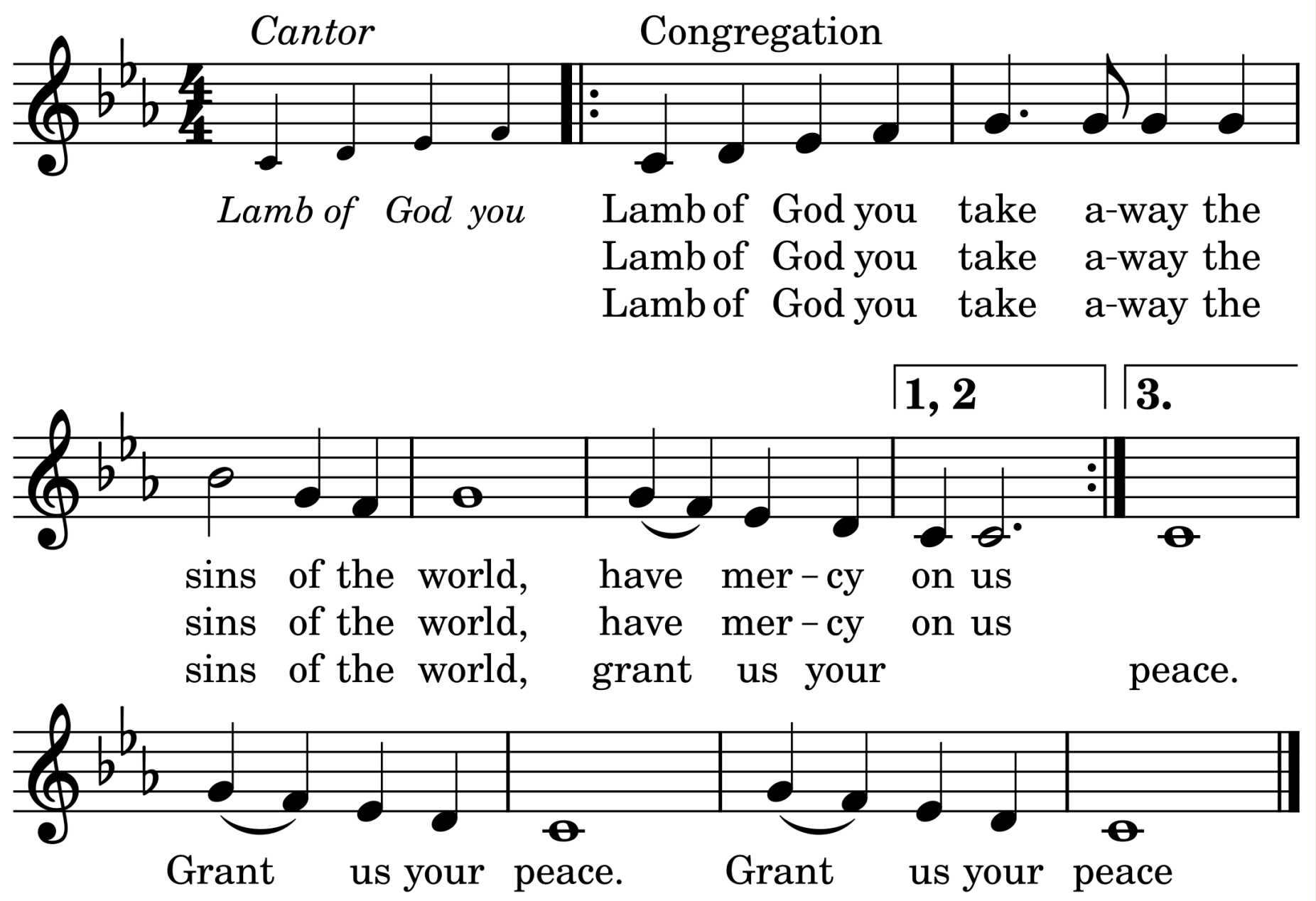
Lord's Prayer & Communion

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)*



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 Come Holy Ghost by Elizabeth Stratford (b. 1978)

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire and lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.
Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight.
Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far from foes, give peace at home: where thou art guide, no ill can come.
Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee, of both, to be but One,
that through the ages all along, this may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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.
Information at the back.

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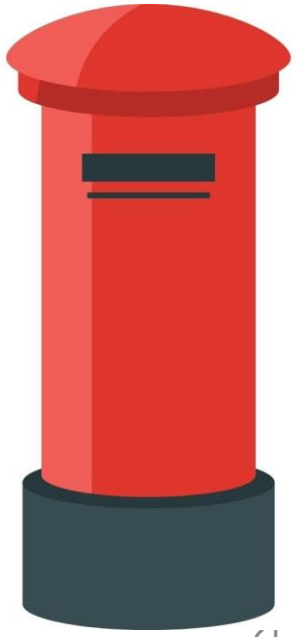

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Giving of Flowers

Loving God,
we give thanks for all those
who have shaped and nurtured us through their love.
May these flowers be a token of our appreciation,
as we share them with each other,
bearing witness to your eternal truth
that it is through giving that we receive
and in loving that we find our home in you.
Amen.

Final Hymn

As we go now, from this moment,
As we leave behind our time together,
May we walk with one another,
May we help each other on the way.

As we go now, from this moment,
As we go into the future together,
May we treasure one another,
May we realise how precious we are.

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Stephen Fischbacher (b. 1960)
Tune: As we go now

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.**

Commission

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

Voluntary

With thanks to Tom Corns for playing the organ

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.

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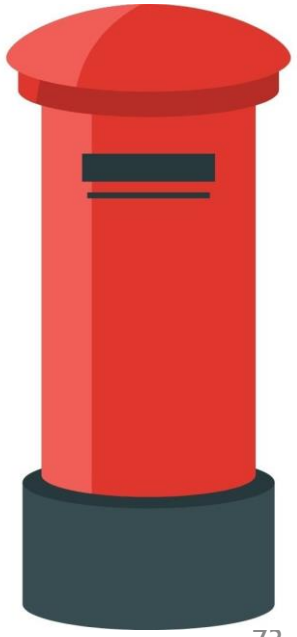

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NIGHT SERVICE
TONIGHT AT 7PM

Taizé Prayer

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