



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 Creation*

Sunday 06 September
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.

Please do not take photos or videos during the service.

Welcome

The President is Revd Dr Ian Wallis

The Deacon and Preacher is Revd Helena Roulston

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Followed by a period of quiet reflection

Opening 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 we see, and friends above,
pleasures pure and rich in worth:
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.

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835 - 1917)

Tune: Dix

Prayers of Approach

○ God, make speed to save us.

○ God, make haste to help us.

Send forth your Spirit,

Renew the face of the earth

O God, how long shall the earth groan beneath our feet?
The forests are burning, the seas are rising,
the creatures vanish from the face of the earth.
How long, O God?

We hear the cry of the soil, scorched and thirsty,
of rivers choked with waste,
of animals displaced,
of weather gone wild.
Forgive us, O God.

We mourn what is lost:
species never to return;
glaciers melting into memory;
lands no longer able to sustain life.
Have mercy on us, O God.

Yet even as the earth weeps,
you are not silent.

You remember your covenant with all living things.

You promised never to abandon the work of your hands.

We place our hope in you, O God.

Come, Creator Spirit – renew the face of the earth.

Come, Lord Jesus – make all things new.

Teach us to live gently, to act justly and love fiercely.

In our actions and our failure to act, we sit or kneel to
confess our sins:

**Loving God,
we confess that we have regarded
luxuries as needs;
we confess that we have too much
while others have insufficient.**

**We confess that we often spend our money
with little regard for the impact
of our spending on others
or on the environment.**

**We confess that our lifestyles
are causing changes in the global climate,
changes that poor people will suffer
from long before we do.**

Loving God,
convict us by your Spirit,
and then forgive us,
that we may live to show mercy,
do justice,
and walk humbly with you, our God;
in Jesus' name.
Amen.

Richard Sharples (adapted¹⁷)

Gloria - Mass of Creation

Glo-ry to God in the high-est. _____ and on

earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

Cantor

*We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly
king, O God almighty father.*

Gloria

The musical score is written on three staves in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, with a final note tied to the second staff. The second staff continues the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff shows the beginning of a third line, with a final double bar line. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry to God in the high-est. _____ and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will."

Glo-ry to God in the high-est. _____ and on

earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

Cantor

*Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the father,
have mercy on us.*

Gloria

The musical score is written on three staves in 3/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est._____ and on

earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

Cantor

*For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord.
You alone are the most high Jesus Christ
with the holy spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Gloria

The musical score is written on three staves in 3/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the lyrics, with a final note tied to the second staff. The second staff continues the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff shows the beginning of a new musical phrase, with a final double bar line at the end.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est._____ and on

earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

The Collect

God of all creation,

Teach us to trust your generous care
and to seek first your kingdom and its justice;
that, freed from fear and the desire to possess,
we may delight in the goodness of the earth,
care for all that you have made,
and share in its healing and renewal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, **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

We sit for our first reading

First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1–12

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Read by Frances Gray

At the end the reader says:

How is this God's word of life?

Then he brought me back to the entrance of the temple; there, water was flowing from below the threshold of the temple towards the east (for the temple faced east); and the water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east; and the water was coming out on the south side.

Going on eastwards with a cord in his hand, the man measured one thousand cubits, and then led me through the water; and it was ankle-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was knee-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was up to the waist. Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross, for the water had risen; it was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be crossed. He said to me, 'Mortal, have you seen this?'

Then he led me back along the bank of the river. As I came back, I saw on the bank of the river a great many trees on one side and on the other. He said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes. People will stand fishing beside the sea from En-gedi to En-eglaim; it will be a place for the spreading of nets; its fish will be of a great many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

How is this God's word of life?

Gradual Hymn

Touch the earth lightly,
use the earth gently,
nourish the life of the world in our care:
gift of great wonder,
ours to surrender,
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.

We who endanger,
who create hunger,
agents of death for all creatures that live,
we who would foster
clouds of disaster
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!

Let there be greening,
birth from the burning,
water that blesses and air that is sweet,
health in God's garden,
hope in God's children,
regeneration that peace will complete.

God of all living,
God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,
teach us, deflect us,
Christ reconnect us,
using us gently, and making us one.

Words: Shirley Erena Murray (b. 1931)

Tune: Bunessan

Gospel Acclamation - Mass of Creation

Cantor

Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your son.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu-ia, al - le -



-lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Matthew 6. 25-34

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.

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing?

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

‘So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

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

Sermon

Preacher – Revd Helena Roulston

Afterwards we share a time of quiet

Affirmation of Faith

The way we live
**affects our siblings,
affects our kinships.**

The way we live
**affects our parents,
affects our children.**

The way we live
**affects our friends,
affects total strangers.**

The way we live
**affects our street,
affects our country.**

The way we live
**affects forests and mountains,
affects rivers and oceans.**

The way we live
**affects plants and animals,
affect stars and planets.**

We can choose to change the way we live.
God, help us to get things right.

Ruth Burgess

Prayers of the People (we sit or kneel)

led by David Ryder

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 (you are invited to stand)

You shall go out in joy and be led back into peace;
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into
song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

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

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain,
Thinking that never he would wake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain,
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Thy touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

John Macleod Campbell Crum
Tune: Noel Nouvelet

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 Sanctus

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of

hosts Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.

Ho - san - na in the high-est.

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The time signature is 3/4. The first staff begins with a 4-measure rest, indicated by a '4' above the staff. The lyrics are: 'Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of'. The second staff continues with 'hosts Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.'. The third staff concludes with 'Ho - san - na in the high-est.'. The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some notes beamed together and others marked with slurs.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na



in the high - - est.

Mass of Creation - Gospel Acclamation

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Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

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. **Amen.**

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 this Taizé chant:

The image displays two staves of musical notation for a Taizé chant. Both staves are in G major (one flat) and 2/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for 'U-bicar-i - tas et a - mor.', with a melisma on 'a' indicated by a long horizontal line. The second staff contains the melody for 'U-bicar-i - tas De-us i - bi est', featuring a triplet of eighth notes on 'i - bi' marked with a '3' above the notes. The lyrics are written below the corresponding notes.

U-bicar-i - tas et a - mor.

U-bicar-i - tas De-us i - bi est

Translation: Where charity and love abound, God is there.

The choir sings the Anthem:

All things bright and beautiful

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Text: All things bright and beautiful,

All creatures great and small,

All things wise and wonderful,

The Lord God made them all;

Each little flower that opens,

Each little bird that sings,

He made their glowing colours,

*He made their tiny wings;
The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning
That brightens up the sky;
The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden – He made them every one.
He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty
Who has made all things well.*

Prayers of Commitment

Gracious God,
we thank you for inviting us
to share the hospitality of your table
and to enjoy the blessings of a bountiful world.
Call forth in us the same generosity
that we find in you
and strengthen our desire
to be wise stewards of a vulnerable earth;
in Jesus' name. **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.

Announcements

*Rosie Hughes will be giving a 10 minute talk,
about Abura Literacy School in Ghana,
a charity we support through our giving
via International Donations.*

A member of St Mary's Walkley who has recently been granted asylum is looking for local accommodation. If you know of a room, flat, or possible lead, please speak to Beth after the service.

Thinking Faith



The Dangers of Translation:
William Tyndale and the
English Bible by Rev'd Canon
Professor Loveday Alexander

Sunday 13 September at 7pm

Blessing *(you are invited to stand)*

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

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art.
Visit us with thy salvation;
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast.

Let us all in thee inherit,
let us find thy promised rest.

Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be.

End of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy grace receive.
Suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.

Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

Charles Wesley (1707 - 1788)

Tune: Love Divine

Commission

(We turn to face the back of church)

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Trumpet voluntary

Jeremiah Clarke (1674 - 1707) (arr. Frank E Browne)

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.

Tonight at 7pm

Contemplative Communion 1st Sunday



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

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Restore

at St Mark's Broomhill

**Every 3rd Wednesday at 7.30pm
starting September 16**

A simple meditative service & quiet space,
a time each month when you can simply
be without expectations.
for those aged 30s-40s.



A new men's group is starting especially those in their 30s and 40's. The first event is on Saturday 19 September, starting at 9am, with a walk in the Peak District and lunch afterwards.

Further details are in the notices and at the back of church, or you can speak to Stephen.

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&
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