"We want communion, a world renewed,
we hope against hope.
With the God of history
we want to make all things new."

Brazilian young people (World Council of Churches)



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Mark

Serving the people of Broomhill & Broomhall

Living Thinking Loving Faith

The Parish Eucharist
Kingdom Season

Sunday 15 November
at 10.00 am

www.stmarkssheffield.co.uk

Gathering

Introit

From the rising of the sun

Frederick Ouseley (1825 - 1889)

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same,
my name shall be great among the gentiles;
and in every place incense shall be offered up unto my name.
For my name shall be great among the people.
Thus saith the Lord.

Please do not take photos or videos during the service

Welcome

The President is Revd Dr Beth Keith
The Deacon and Preacher is Revd Shan Rush

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Followed by a period of quiet reflection

Opening Hymn

Christ, you call us all to service,
call us all who follow you;
plant in us a deep commitment
all your work and will to do.
Fire a passion for your justice,
in us kindle love of peace;
help us heal the broken hearted,
to the captive bring release.

Teach us how to work together,
everybody, side by side,
equal partners in the struggle,
in the cause of truth allied.
To each one some gift is given,
man or woman, young or old -
help us use each skill and talent
your great purpose to unfold.

Let us be a servant people,
reconciling, ending strife,
seeking ways more just of sharing
and of ordering human life.
Fill us with a glowing vision
of this world as it should be;
send us forth to change that vision
into blest reality.

Joy F Patterson (1931 - 2026)
RH Prichard (1811 - 1887)
Tune: Hyfrydol

Prayers of Approach

We remain standing but please sit if you prefer

Welcome in the name of Christ
God's grace mercy and peace be with you.
and also with you.

God of our days and years,
We set this time apart for you.
Form us in the likeness of Christ
So that our lives may reflect your kingdom.
Amen

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 what is wrong

Silence for reflection

God forgive us, for we are fragmented persons.

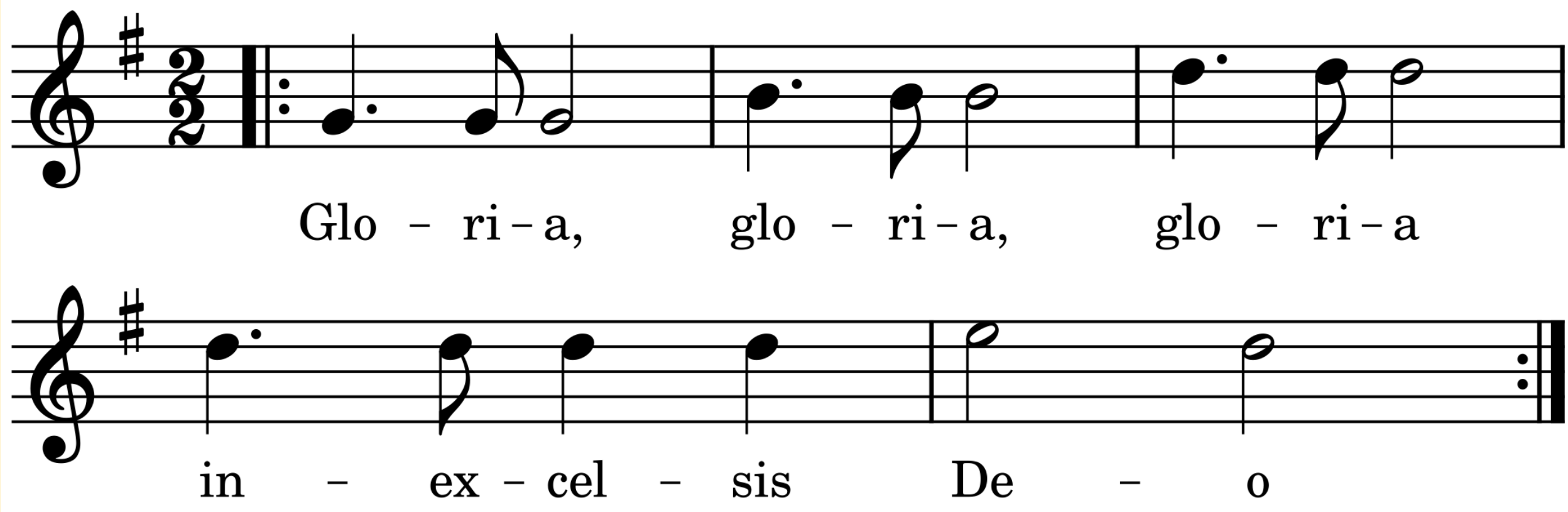
We mouth liberation, but live oppression.
We shout peace, but live in conflict.
We shout justice, but accept injustice.
We preach love, but don't always live it out.
Through your compassion,
have mercy on us and make us whole;
that we may discern your voice
and follow your Way. Amen.

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.

Iona Gloria

Sing 3 times



The Collect

God of wholeness,
you have created us bodily,
that our work and faith may be one.
May we offer our worship
from lives of integrity;
and maintain the fabric of this world
with hearts that are set on you,
through 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: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11
Page 202 New Testament NRSV

Read by Nicky Woods

At the end the reader says:
Let us wait upon the Spirit of God

Gradual Hymn

Help us to help each other Lord
each other's cross to bear.
Let each a helping hand afford,
and feel each other's care.

Up into thee, our living head,
let us in all things grow.
And by thy sacrifice be led
the fruits of love to show.

Drawn by the magnet of thy love
let all our hearts agree;
and ever t'wards each other move,
and ever move t'wards thee.

This is the bond of perfectness,
thy spotless charity.
O let us still, we pray, possess
the mind that was in thee.

Charles Wesley (1707 - 1788)
Music: melody from Psalms (1615)
Tune: Dundee

Gospel Matthew 25.14-30

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.

Sermon

Preacher: Revd Shan Rush

Afterwards we share a time of quiet

Affirmation of Commitment

Will you continue to learn from the apostles and saints,
share in the life of the Christian community,
break bread together and pray?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you stand against evil and, when you go astray,
have the courage to turn back to God and begin again?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you share the good news of God in Christ,
through what you say and how you live?

With the help of God, I will.
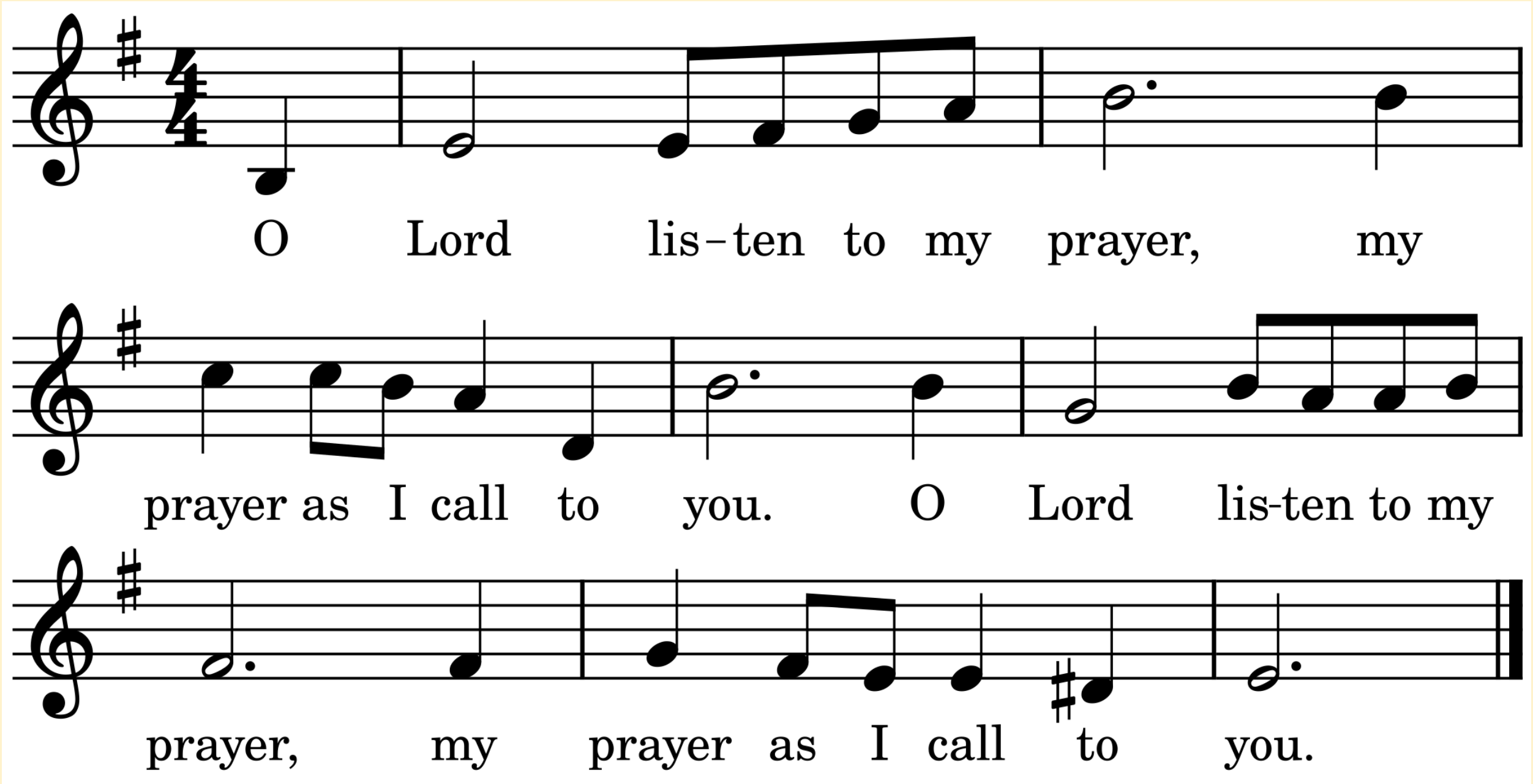
Will you seek and serve Christ in every person,
loving your neighbour as yourself?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you recognise Christ's call to shape our world,
praying for its people and leaders, standing alongside
the vulnerable, and working for peace and justice?

With the help of God, I will.

Chant before our prayers, *by Margaret Rizza*



Prayers of the People

Led by David Price

May your presence encourage us.

May your light shine through us.

At the end

Loving God, help us recognise our vocation

May our words and actions reflect your love. 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

Offertory Hymn

Through all the changing scenes of life,
in trouble and in joy,
the praises of my God shall still
my heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
with me exalt his name;
when in distress to him I called,
he to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around
the dwellings of the just;
deliv'rance he affords to all
who on his succour trust.

O make but trial of his love:
experience will decide
how blest are they, and only they,
who in his truth confide.

Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear;
make you his service your delight,
your wants shall be his care.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom we adore,
be glory as it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Psalm 34
George Thomas Smart (1776 - 1867)
Tune: Wiltshire

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.

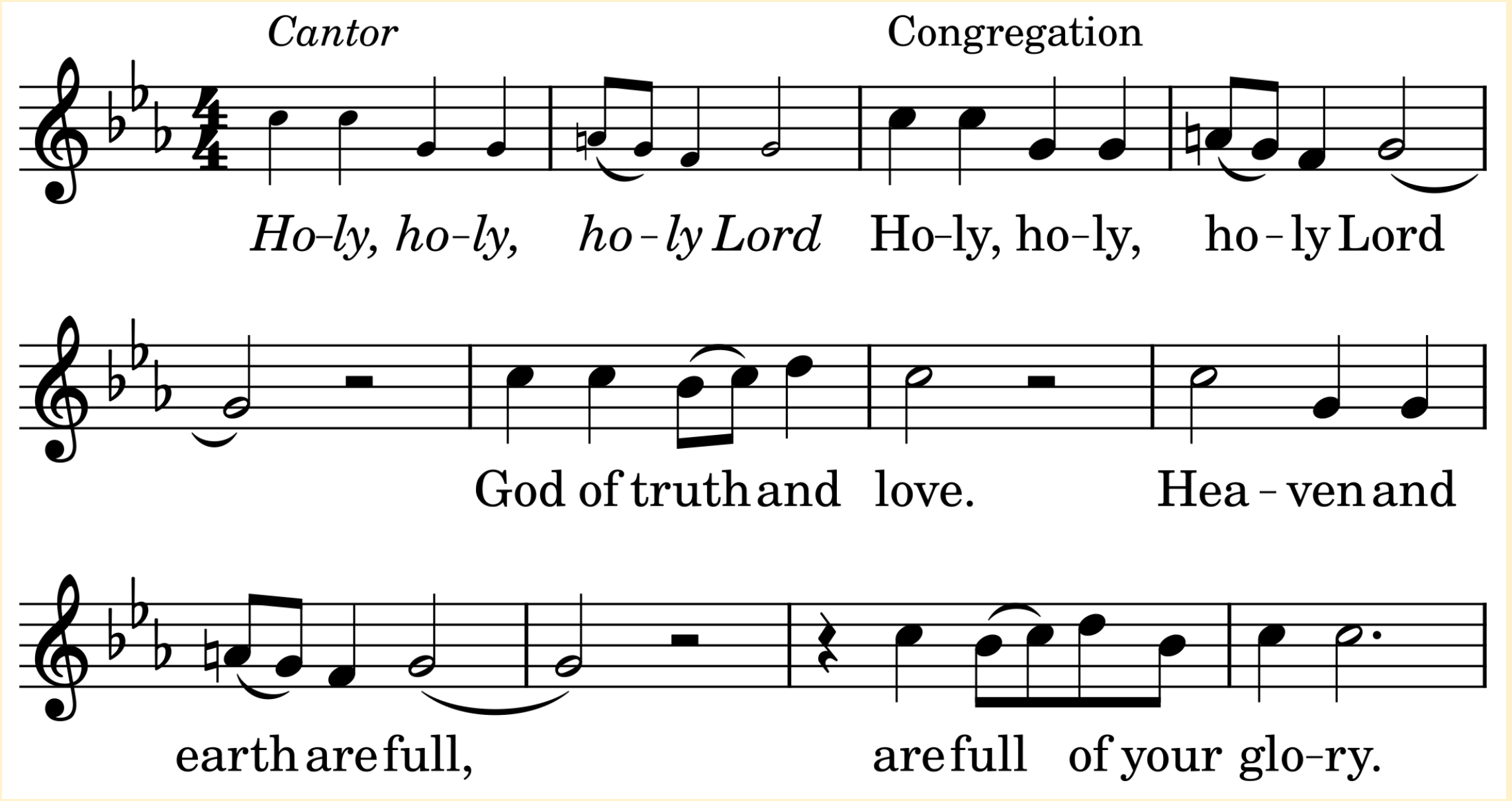
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to God.

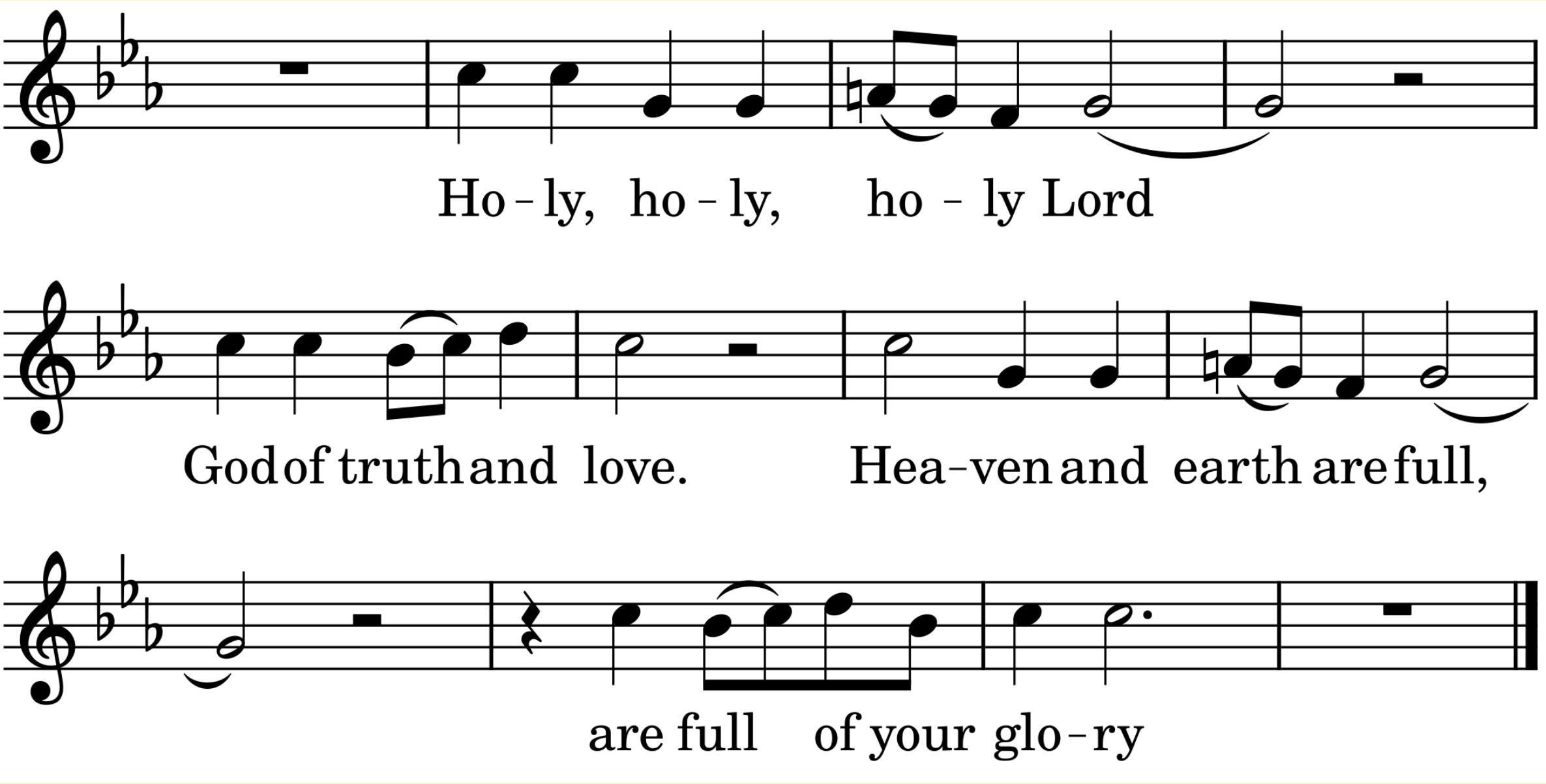
Let us give thanks to our gracious God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

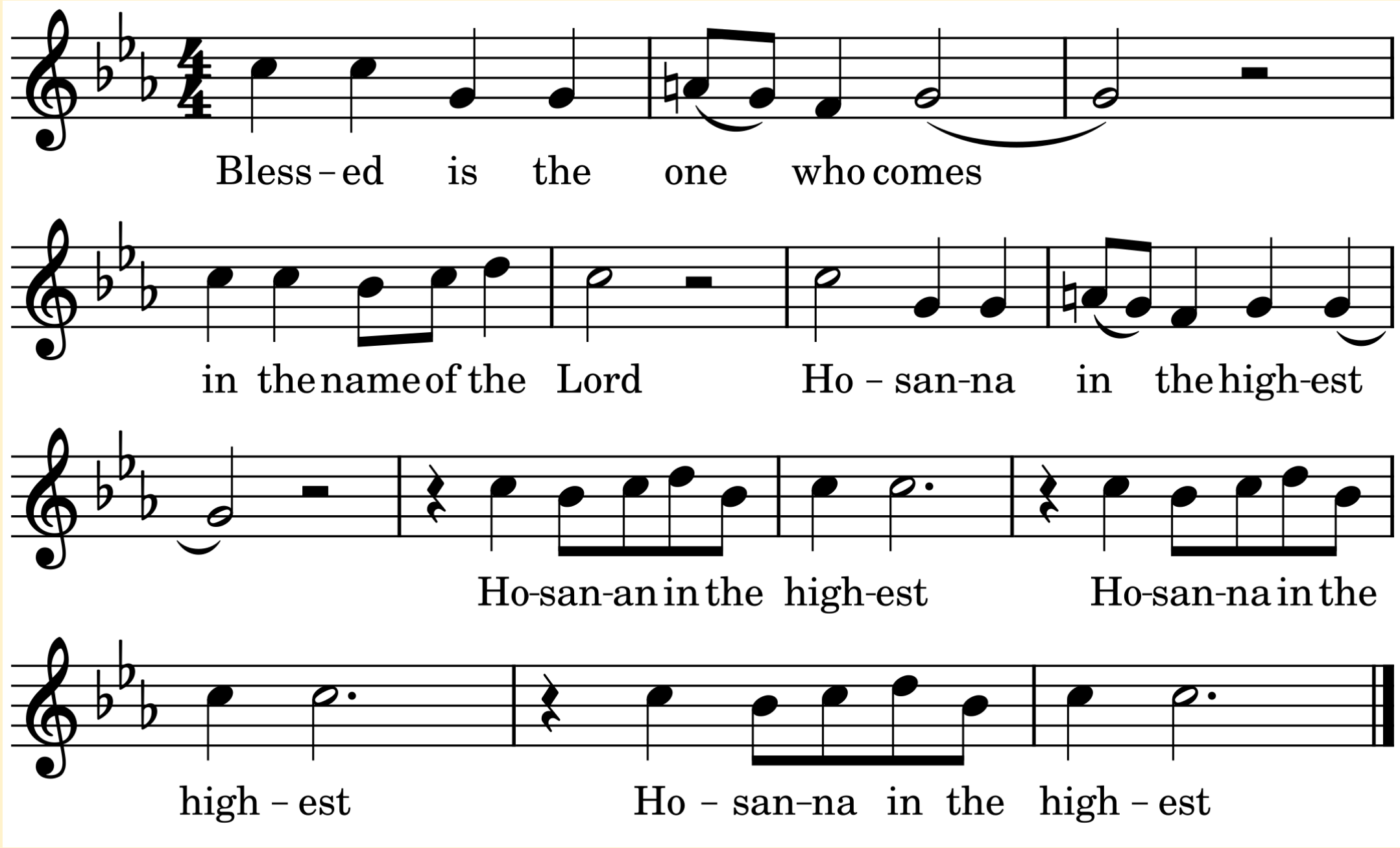
Christ, our companion,
we thank you for calling us
to be your body here on earth –
each of us a different member
with a unique part to play,
all of us belonging to one another –
united by your Spirit,
bound together in love.

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:


Cantor
Congregation
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord
God of truth and love.
Hea - ven and
earth are full,
are full of your glo-ry.


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord
God of truth and love. Hea-ven and earth are full,
are full of your glo - ry


Bless – ed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord Ho – san-na in the high-est
Ho-san-an in the high-est Ho-san-na in the
high – est Ho – san–na in the high – est

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.

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:

I am sure I shall see the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.
Yes, I shall see the goodness of our God.
Hold firm, trust in the Lord.

The choir sing the anthem:

Lift Up your Heads

William Matthias (1934 - 92)

Lift up your heads,
O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors.
And the King of Glory shall come in.
Who is this King of Glory?
The Lord strong and mighty,
the Lord mighty in battle.
The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory.

Prayers of Commitment

Gracious God, we give thanks to you,
because through your son Jesus
you have received us as your children,
joined us in one fellowship with the saints,
and made us citizens of your kingdom.
So be it, now and forever
Amen.

Announcements

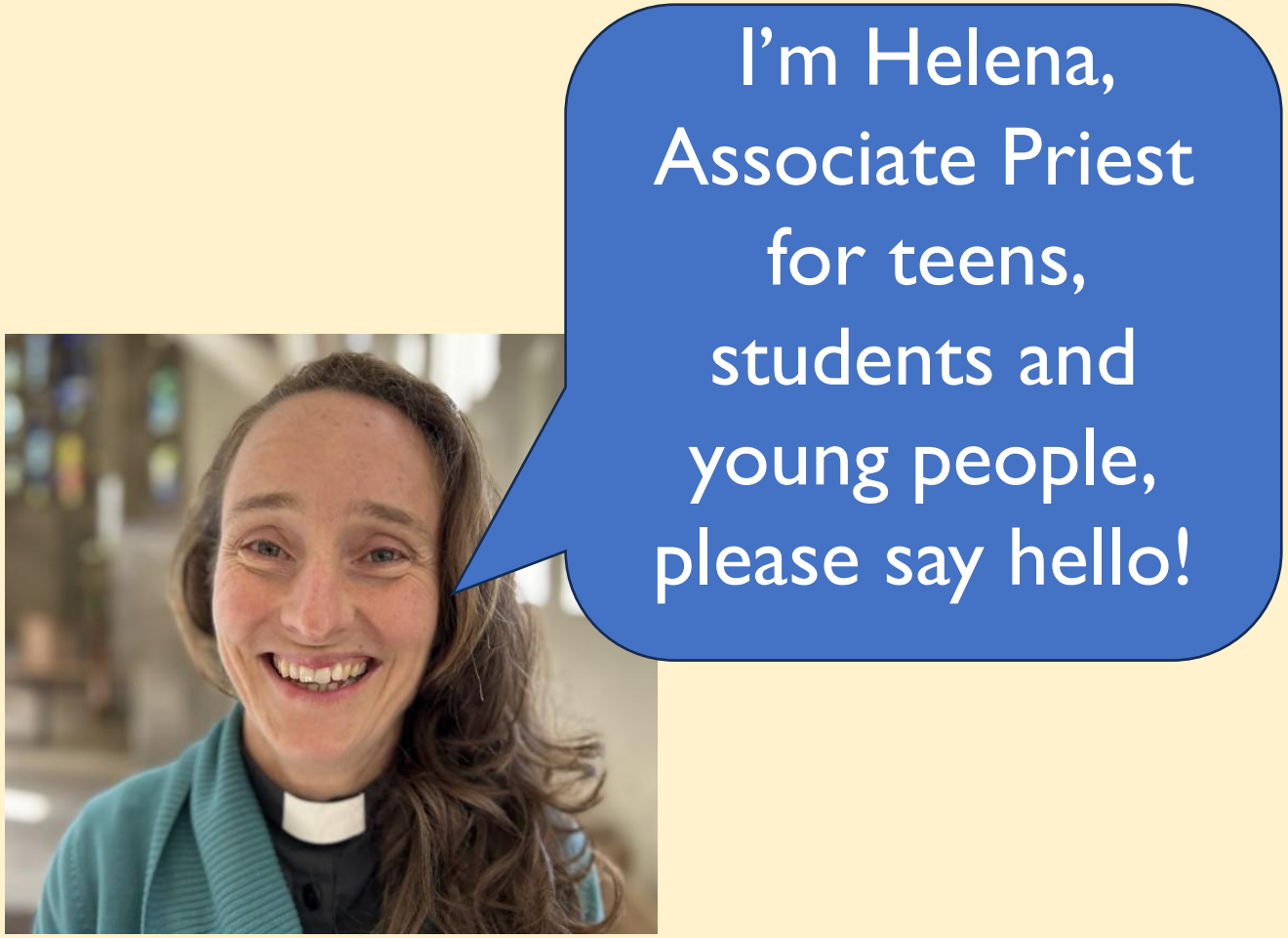
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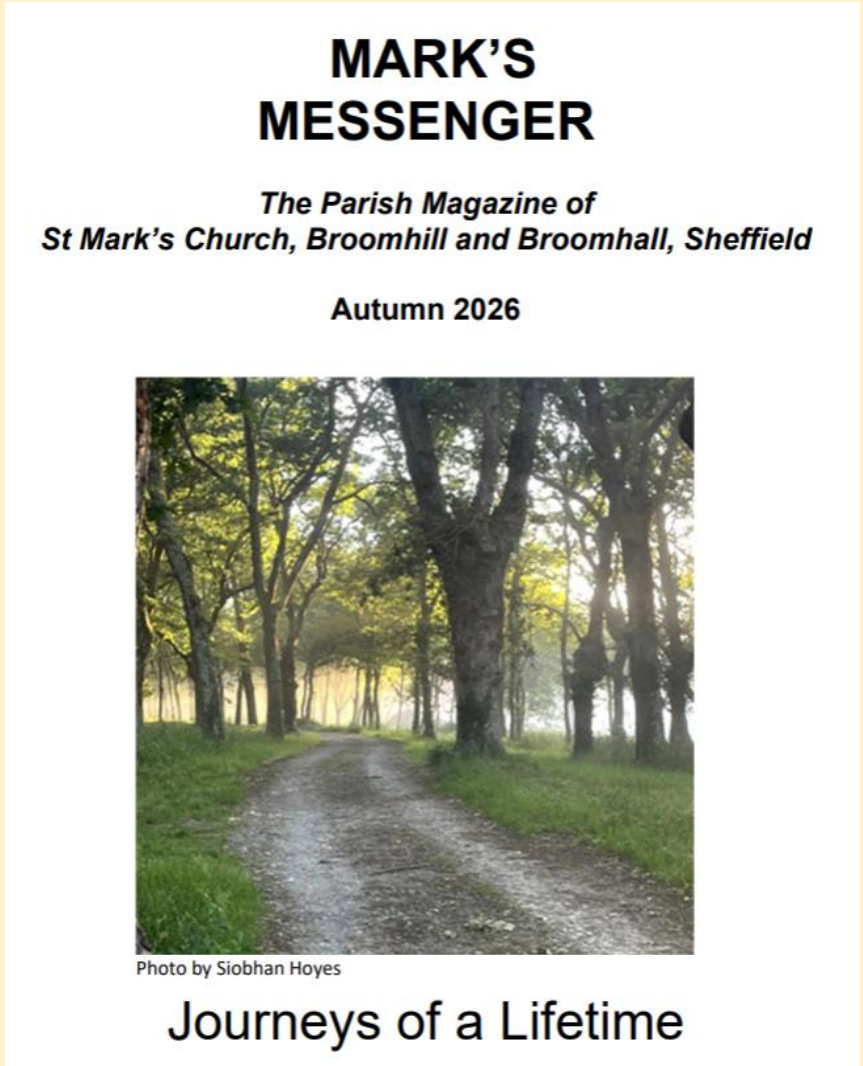
Pledge forms

On Stewardship Sunday we gave thanks for the fruit and growth of the past year and begin to look ahead, planning for the year to come. Please return your pledge, either digitally or on the paper forms available in church. It would be great if we could have final responses **TODAY please**

Special welcome to students and young adults



Next students and young adults meeting **22 Nov** to discuss **Spiritual Abuse in the Church** upstairs after coffee.



Latest Messenger Available Now

Please pick up a printed copy of The Messenger from the back of church or look at the notices or website to read online.

Next edition being edited by Frances Gray

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

Forth in the peace of Christ we go;
Christ to the world with joy we bring;
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,
Christ in our hearts, the world's true King.

Christ's are our lips, his word we speak;
prophets are we whose deeds proclaim
Christ's truth in love, that we may be
Christ's in the world, to spread Christ's name.

We are the Church, Christ bids us show
that in his church all nations find
their hearth and home, where Christ restores
true peace, true love, to humankind.

James Quinn (1919 - 2010)
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958)

Commission

Following the saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace and love of Christ.

Thanks be to God

Voluntary

Toccata from Suite Gothique

Leon Boellmann (1862 - 97)

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.

Coffee after Coffee dates for your diary

St Mark's Church
Young Adults

Join us for
'coffee after coffee'
Sunday's 11.45am-
12.30pm(ish)



27th Sept: Welcome to Young Adults at St Marks (games and pizza)

11th Oct: National Emergency Briefing film and discussion

25th Oct: Living Hopefully

8th Nov: An Introduction to Liberation Theology; it's Strengths and Weaknesses

22nd Nov: Spiritual Abuse in the Church

6th Dec: Feminist and Queer Theologies of Liberation; an SCM workshop

13th Dec: Christmas social

*Anyone is welcome age 18-30(ish)- students, non-students & graduates



student christian movement

Thanks to Vanessa Senger, Helen Fisher, Maureen Bowness and Jennifer Hurrell for donating flowers

&

Helen Fisher, Tricia Morgan, Vanessa Senger and Jennifer Hurrell for arranging them in November



Welcome - We're glad you're here

St Mark's holds a list of people in our community (in line with GDPR). We send a weekly reflection, church news and upcoming events.

If you're new here please sign up using this QR code.

If you are already on our list please tell the office if your details have changed.



Postcards at the back of church with more information