

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



The Parish Eucharist

Sunday 11 April
at 10.00 am

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Welcome

*A warm welcome to everyone joining together this morning,
especially if this is your first visit to St Mark's.*

*Our celebration is richer for your part in it.
Thank you for being here.*

*Before the service begins,
you are invited to share in a time of quiet reflection.*



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Gathering

All the flowers of all the tomorrows
have their seeds in today.



Introit: Cantate Domino

Claudio Monteverdi
Sung by St Mark's Choir

Welcome and Singing Bowl

Followed by a period of quiet reflection

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Opening Hymn

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The passover of gladness,
The passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our Lord hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.



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Opening Hymn

Our hearts be pure from evil,
 That we may see aright
 The Lord in rays eternal
 Of resurrection-light;
 And list'ning to his accents,
 May hear so calm and plain
 His own 'All hail' and, hearing,
 May raise the victor strain.

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Opening Hymn

Now let the heav'ns be joyful,
 And earth her song begin,
 The round world keep high triumph,
 And all that is therein;
 Let all things, seen and unseen,
 Their notes of gladness blend,
 For Christ the Lord is risen,
 Our joy that hath no end.

St John of Damascus (c.750) trans J.M.Neale (1818 –1966)

Tune: Ellacoríbe

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Prayers of Approach

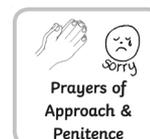


Alleluia, Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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EVER-LOVING GOD,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your **Holy Spirit,**
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through **Christ our Lord. Amen.**



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Prayers of Penitence and Renewal

Acknowledging the part we play
in the brokenness of this world,
we pray together:

**GOD OF LIFE,
when our actions
diminish the humanity of others
and we refuse to care for the world we share,
we deny your life in us and around us...**

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**Forgive us, and fill us with your Spirit;
inspire us with new hope for the future,
that we may respond with your love
and live as signs of Christ,
the life of the world. Amen.**

May God's Spirit
breathe healing upon us
and release within us
new life in Christ. **Amen.**

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The Peruvian Gloria

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
To God be glory forever. **To God be glory forever.**
Alleluia! Amen. **Alleluia! Amen.**
Alleluia! Amen! **Alleluia! Amen.**
Alleluia! Amen. **Alleluia! Amen.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus...
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit...

Traditional Peruvian (collected by John Ballantine, b 1945)

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The Collect

Risen Christ,
whom we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands;
the word of life in whom our joy is complete:
strengthen us to speak your truth,
your unshakable faith
in the world you love.

Amen

Stephen Shakespeare

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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**

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Attending



First Reading: Acts 4. 32-35 *Read by Sarah Frost*

At the end the reader says,

Let us listen for God's word of life.

Followed by incidental music played by David Willington

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Gospel *John 20:19-end*

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

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Sermon



The Revd Shan Rush

The sermon is followed by quiet reflection

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Prayers of the People

Led by David Price

Let us pray

Risen Christ:

We long to see your love.

God of new life:

**May we live and hope
as your faithful people. Amen.**

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Greeting of Peace



The risen Christ stood among his disciples and said,
'Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you.

Receive the Holy Spirit.'

John 20.19-20

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

*We share a sign of peace,
remembering all from whom we are separated or estranged .*

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Offertory Hymn

God of my faith, I offer you my doubt
for life at times seems far too dark for me
and my belief becomes more insecure
when worldly cares produce uncertainty.



God of my hope, I offer you my fear,
when I am scared by my anxiety,
when all I hear is suffering and woe,
in all my shadows you will walk with me

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God of my life, I offer you my dreams,
light in the darkness where I hide from view,
light in my faith, my hope, my joy and love,
light in my life and all my life in you



Words: Colin Ferguson (born 1937)
Tune: Anima Christi

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Abiding

Preparation

Lord Jesus Christ,
may our hearts be open to your love,
and our lives to your risen life.

New Zealand Prayer Book

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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.



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With joyful hearts we give you thanks,
gracious God, source of all that is,
and we celebrate your love.
You came among us in Jesus,
but we made strange
and hung him on a tree to die.

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Yet your love cries to us
from those outstretched arms,
drawing us to your self-giving, re-creating power.
And so with followers in every age,
with all creation and every voice that you have made
we join the song of endless praise:

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**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.**

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On the night before he died,
Jesus met with his friends in the Upper Room
to celebrate your saving love.
At supper he took the bread
broke it, gave it to them and said:
This is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

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Then he took the cup of wine,
Blessed it and shared it with them saying
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

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Breaking bread in the inn at Emmaus
and on the lakeside's shore,
Jesus showed himself to his doubting disciples
transforming their pain into joy.
May we who share these holy gifts
meet with him and be fed by him
as you pour out your promised Spirit on us
and on these gifts.

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Transformed by his death-defying life
 may we live gently in your creation,
 uniting earth with heaven as Jesus unites us with you.

Rejoicing in our risen and ascended Saviour
 we worship you:

**Praise and glory to the God of life
 who is stronger than all kinds of death.
 Alleluia! Amen**

John Schofield

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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.

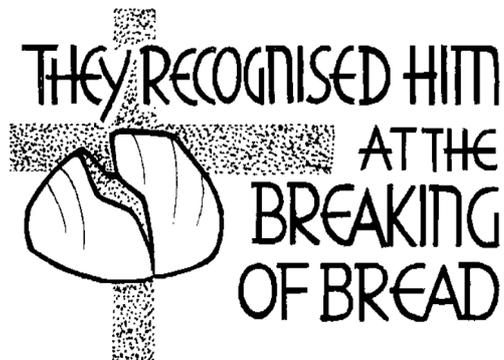


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The bread is broken

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
crucified and risen;
**make yourself known
in the breaking of bread.**



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Words of invitation follow

I am the bread of life, says the Lord.
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.
**Taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy are those who place their trust in him.**

The body and blood of Christ,
keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

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Music during communion

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord, I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid;
lift up your voices: the Lord is near,
lift up your voices: the Lord is near.

Taizé, sung by St Mark's Choir

At the conclusion, silence is shared.

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Prayers of Commitment



LIVING GOD,
we give you thanks that in your generous love
you have given us what we need to sustain us
and companions for this journey.
May we travel on from here in your strength
and work with you in our beautiful
and needy world.
Amen

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Announcements

To make a donation to support the mission and ministry of St Mark's, text 'STMARKS 5' to 70085 to donate £5. This costs £5 plus std. rate message; you can give any whole amount between £1 and £20.

Alternatively, please join our regular giving scheme by emailing the office. You can also give by scanning the QR code with your phone. Thank you.



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Blessing

May the God of undying life, bring us to life;
 May Christ who set us free to love,
 accompany us on our way;
 May the Spirit, source of inspiration,
 Fill us with wisdom and joy
 and the blessing of God,
 Creator, Christ and Spirit of Resurrection
 rest upon us and all whom we love,
 both living and departed, now and always. **Amen.**



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Final Hymn



Praise be for life, for resurrection grace,
renewal breaking through in every place.
Praise be for life, for death and letting go,
for seeds released, free then to root and grow.

Praise be for love. Love's gifts shall make us whole,
its grace implanted in each living soul.
Praise be for love whose power to touch and heal
restores, transforms and points to all that's real

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Final Hymn



Praise be for light, its ever radiant spark
embracing and encompassing the dark.
Praise be for light, the light of mutual love,
its flame within, without, below, above.

Praise be for truth, the truth that sets us free
in openness and trust for all to see.
Praise be for truths, diverse yet valid all
to those who act upon the Spirit's call.

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Final Hymn



Praise be for hope that counters dark despair,
that looks for signs of life in ground that's bare.
Praise be for hope, enabling us by grace
to see the Other in another's face.

Words: Eve Saunders
Tune: Woodlands

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Commission

In the strength of the Spirit,
We go and live Christ's risen life.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Voluntary

In Dir ist Freude
J S Bach

Played by Josh Stephens

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Friendship Time



*Sharing in the hospitality of Christ continues after this service
in breakout rooms, in the conversations we have on the phone
in the postcards or emails we share with each other
and wherever and whenever
friendship is shared in Christ's name.*

After the service ends, you will be invited to join
a randomly-generated break-out room where up to 5 households
are able to chat. If you don't want to join one, please leave the
meeting at the end of the Voluntary.

Thank you!

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