

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



The Parish Eucharist
Easter 3

Sunday 18 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.*



Gathering

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



Introit: *Let all who are thirsty come*

Taize

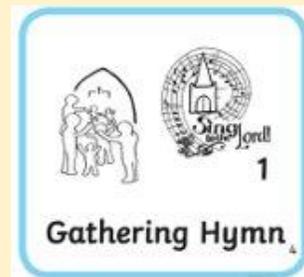
Welcome and Singing Bowl

Followed by a period of quiet reflection

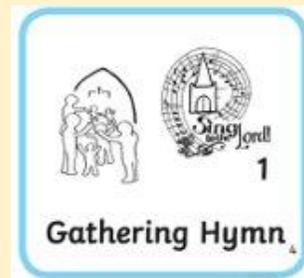
Opening Hymn



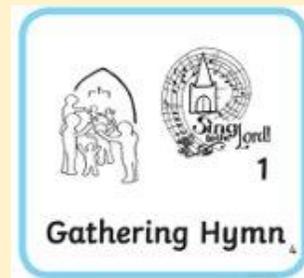
Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.



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 (1872-1958)
Noel Nouvelet

Prayers of Approach



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

**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.**



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...**

**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.**

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.** (repeat 3 times)

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)

The Collect

Ever-Loving God,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained
by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

Amen

Common Worship

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 3.12-19 read by Gill MacGregor

At the end the reader says,

Let us listen for God's word of life.

Followed by incidental music played by David Willington

Gospel – Luke 24.36b-48

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon



Jonathan Williamson, Reader

The sermon is followed by quiet reflection

Prayers of the People

Led by John Schofield

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.**

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 .*

Offertory Hymn

Each hour marks a mighty resurrection
a time of overcoming fate and fear,
the dawning of a common understanding
in which the grace of God is drawing near.



Each morning brings a sense of new creation.
New life, new love, encompasses the earth.
New time, new light illuminates the distance,
as though the world is coming, fresh, to birth.



Each evening brings a stunning revelation,
as stars and planets hove into our view,
beyond imagination and reflection,
these scattered bangles flung against the blue.





Each season brings a sense of co-existence,
relatedness of heartbeat, rhythm, rhyme;
and every year the cycle goes on spinning,
affirming faith and love through endless time.

Andrew Pratt (b. 1948)

Tune: Highwood

Richard Runciman Terry (1865-1938)

Abiding

Preparation

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

New Zealand Prayer Book

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.



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.

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:

**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.**

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.

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.

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.

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

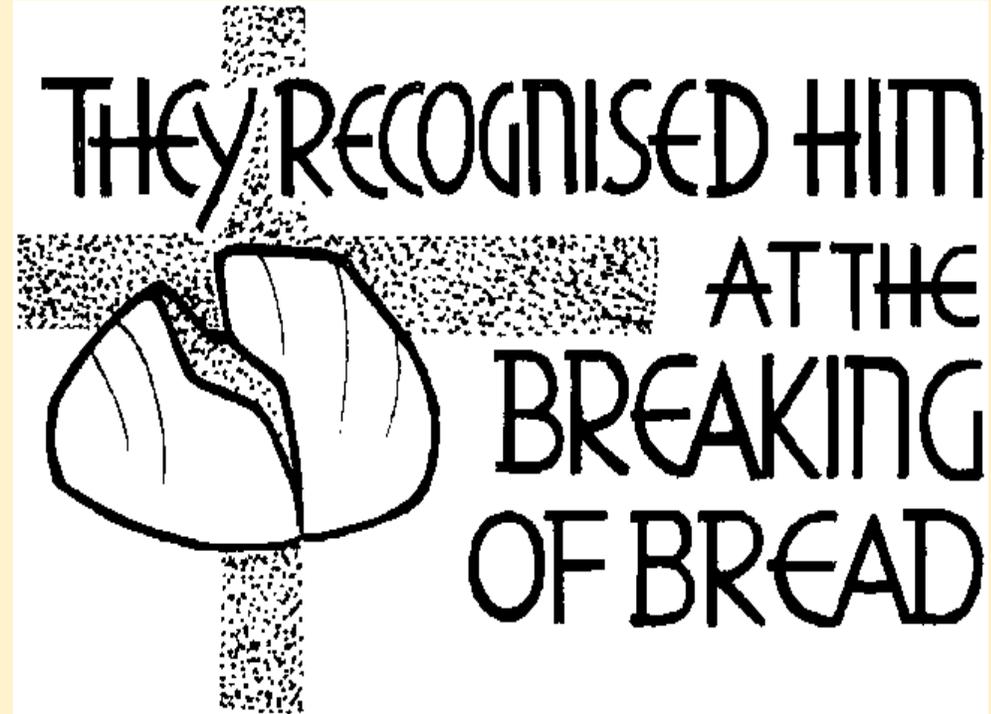
Lord's Prayer & Communion



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

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



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.**

Music during communion

Mvt 2 from the Second Organ Sonata

Paul Hindemith

At the conclusion, silence is shared.

Prayers of Commitment



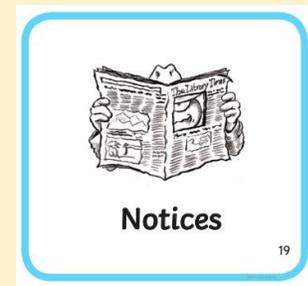
**LIVING GOD,
we give you thanks that in your generous love
you have given us what we need to sustain us
and companions for this journey.
May we travel on from here in your strength
and work with you in our beautiful
and needy world.
Amen**

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.



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.**

Final Hymn



Jesus lives! thy terrors now
Can no more O Death appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
Thou, O Grave, canst not enthrall us.
Hallelujah!



Jesus lives! our hearts know well
Naught from us His love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell
Tear us from His keeping ever.
Hallelujah!

Jesus lives! to Him the Throne
Over all the world is given;
May we go where he is gone,
Rest and reign with Him in heaven.
Hallelujah!

Christian Furchtegott Gellert (1715-1769)
Trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897)
Tune: Saint Albinus



Commission

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Voluntary

Allegro from concerto no. 10

Corelli (1653-1713)

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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