



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

Night Service  
4<sup>th</sup> July 2021 @7pm

***Night Service***  
***Communion***  
***“Calling”***

# **Welcome!**

*Take time to settle.*

*Use these opening minutes to ...*

*become aware ...  
of the surroundings,  
of those around,  
of those you carry within.*

# Practicalities

Please wear face masks and maintain physical distancing throughout the service including sharing the peace.

The congregation are not yet permitted to sing together, so thank you to the choir / musicians who will sing or play the hymns and chants on our behalf.

At the time of communion please follow the stewards directions to receive the bread, which you then return to your pew to consume.

If you would like gluten free bread, please indicate this.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

# Gathering Music

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,  
brothers, sisters, 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 ord'ring 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.

*Credit: Joy F Patterson (b. 1931)*

*Tune: Hyfrydol*

# *Welcome and Singing Bowl*



The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.  
**And also with you.**

# Prayers of Approach

We light a light in the name of the Maker,  
who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for us ...

We light a light in the name of the Son,  
who saved the world and stretched out his hand to us ...

We light a light in the name of the Spirit,  
who encompasses the world  
and blesses our souls with yearning ...

**We light three lights for the Trinity of Love:**

**God above us,  
God beside us,  
God beneath us:**

**The beginning, the end, the everlasting one.**

Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest,  
stay with us for day is ending.

With friend, with stranger,  
with young and with old,  
be among us tonight.

**Come close to us,  
that we may come close to you.  
Forgive us that we may forgive one another.  
Renew us so that, where we have failed,  
we may begin again. Amen.**

# The Collect

God of welcome,  
your people are called to be distinct  
not by width of separation but depth of hospitality  
and peace within our lives:  
root out our resentment and free us to welcome  
all who work for life and liberation,  
whatever path they tread;  
through Jesus Christ, the companion of many ways.  
Amen.

*Steven Shakespeare*

# Attending – First reading

Sensing a Call Gracious God, How can I serve you? where does my vocation lie? There are so many jobs not done, so many tasks that seem too large, too difficult, too frightening for me. What are my gifts God? What tools have you given me that I might use to serve you? Am I serving you now as you would wish? Or do I have a long way to go? Show me a sign in the midst of my confusion. Put the writing on the wall.

Which of my experiences do you wish me to use?  
Who amongst my friends should I ask for advice? Do I  
make up excuses to avoid serving you? Do I ignore  
doors that you open?  
Can I change anything? I feel so weak, God. Yet I know  
you will give me the gifts I need to do your work.  
Because you love me, you will never ask too much of  
me. Help me to hold fast to your promises as I  
continue my journey with you.

*Michaela Youngson in Making the Colours Sing.* <sup>14</sup>

## ***Gospel - Mark 6. 1, -13***

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him.

He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

*Short reflection before  
we share a time of silence for our own reflections and  
prayers, lasting approximately 10 minutes.*

*Closing with music “Gather us in”*

Here in this place new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away,  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in – the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in – the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young – our lives are a myst'ry,  
we are the old – who yearn for your face,  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in – the rich and the haughty,  
gather us in – the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

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# Sign of Peace

The peace of Christ is here to stay!  
Let us share his peace with one another.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We share a sign of Christ's peace with one another*

*We come to the time for Communion. At the point of distribution, please follow the stewards directions. You will leave the pews by going out towards the windows, sanitizing your hands at the back of church, coming forward to receive the bread into your hands, which you then take back to your pew to consume.*

*If you would like gluten free bread, please indicate this by pointing towards the altar.*

# Preparation

What we do here,

**We do in imitation of what Christ first did.**

We take this bread and this wine,

**produce of the earth and fruit of human labour.**

In these, Jesus has promised to be present;

**through these, Christ can make us whole.**

# 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.**

It is indeed right, for you made us,  
And before us, you made the world we inhabit,  
And before the world, you made the eternal home  
In which, through Christ, we have a place.

All that is spectacular, all that is plain  
Have their origin in you;  
All that is lovely, all who are loving  
Point to you as their fulfilment.

And grateful as we are for the world we know  
And the universe beyond our understanding,  
We particularly praise you,  
Whom eternity cannot contain,  
For coming to earth and entering time in Jesus.

For his life which informs our living,  
For his compassion which changes our hearts,  
For his clear speaking which contradicts our harmless  
generalities, for his disturbing presence,  
His innocent suffering, his fearless dying,  
His rising to life-breathing forgiveness,  
We praise and worship you.

Here too our gratitude rises  
For the promise of the Holy Spirit,  
Who even yet, even now,  
Confronts us with your claims  
And attracts us to your goodness.

Therefore we gladly join our voices  
To the song of the Church on earth and in heaven, 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.**

Among friends, gathered round a table,  
Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said  
'This is my body - broken for you.'

Later he took a cup of wine, gave thanks and said  
'This is the new relationship with God  
Made possible because of my death.  
Take it, all of you, to remember me.'

Lord Jesus Christ,  
present with us now,  
as we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room,  
breathe your Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that they may be heaven's food and drink for us,  
renewing, sustaining and making us whole,  
and that we may be your body on earth,  
loving and caring in the world.

As we prepare to gather at table together.  
Let us offer our own prayers silently or out loud for  
all that concerns us in our lives, our communities  
and the world.

*We continue with the Lord's Prayer, which you are invited to say in your own tradition or language:*

**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.**

This is the table not of the Church,  
But of the Lord.

It has been made ready for those who love him  
and who want to love him more.

So Come, you who have much faith

And you who have little;

You who have tried to follow

And you who have failed.

Come not because I invite you: it is our Lord;

And it is his will that those who seek him should meet him  
here.

*During Communion, music will play*  
*After all have received, we will hold a moments silence.*

# Prayer of Commitment

Let us pray.

**God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water  
and fed us on the bread of life:  
refresh and sustain us by your Spirit  
as we go forth on our journey,  
in the companionship of Christ  
and in the service of your kingdom. Amen.**

# Blessing

You are always calling us to follow you into the future inviting us to new ventures, new challenges, new ways to care, new ways to touch the hearts of all. When we are fearful of the unknown give us courage. When we worry that we are not up to the task, remind us that that you would not call us if you did not believe in us...

*From Pattern of Our Days. Wild Goose Publications*

May the blessing of God, Ground of being, Bread of life and Spirit of Peace rest upon you and all whom you love, both living and departed, now and always. Amen

*John Schofield*

# Closing Responses

From what we know, to what we have yet to discover  
**God is calling us on.**

From all that binds us, to the truth which frees us  
**God is calling us on.**

From the blessings of today, to the possibilities of tomorrow  
**God is calling us on.**

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

# Closing Hymn: Lord you call us on a journey

Lord you call us to a journey  
to a never ending quest;  
always seeking new horizons,  
always reaching for the best.

Young or old, it makes no difference;  
still the journey's just begun  
keep on looking in the distance,  
never dream the race is run.

Let the search for truth continue,  
may its flame for ever burn,  
What we know is only partial,  
there is more we need to learn.

Do not fear what seems to challenge,  
do not cling to what is dead.  
Let the voice of God disturb you,  
by the way of Christ be led.

*Words: Nick Fawcett Tune: All for Jesu*

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as directed by the stewards and to say hello  
outside the building.***

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