ST MARGARET'S ILKLEY



High Mass

on the Second Sunday before Advent

Sunday 15 November 2026, 10.45 am

WELCOME

You are very welcome to St Margaret's today. If it is your first time with us, please introduce yourself to the clergy and welcomers. Please see the separate pew sheet for the church diary and notices of upcoming services and events.

Please note that our service is broadcast on our YouTube channel, but only the faces of those in the first few rows at the front will occasionally be visible. The administration of holy communion is not broadcast. Please speak to one of the welcomers if you have any questions.

To receive communion, please follow the directions of the welcomers. If you are not a member of the Church of England, but normally receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bring this booklet with you and hold it in your hands. We do not dip the host in the chalice. Please let a welcomer know before the service if you require a gluten-free host.

This symbol ✝ indicates where worshippers traditionally make the sign of the cross.

There will be an opportunity during the service to make a cash donation, and we are very grateful for whatever you can give. To donate digitally, please use the card readers by the entrance to church or in the parish hall, or scan the QR code below with your phone. Please consider making a regular donation to support the work of our church. **Thank you for your gift.**

Everyone is welcome to stay for refreshments in the parish hall after the service. Please take this booklet home with you as an aid for prayer and reflection through the week.

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THE GATHERING

Stand at the sound of the bell

HYMN 232 *Awake, my soul, and with the sun*

Awake, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice.

Redeem thy mis-spent time that's past,
Live this day as if 'twere thy last:
Improve thy talent with due care;
For the great day thyself prepare.

Let all thy converse be sincere,
Thy conscience as the noon-day clear;
Think how all-seeing God thy ways
And all thy secret thoughts surveys.

Awake, awake, ye heavenly choir,
May your devotion me inspire,
That I like you my age may spend,
Like you may on my God attend.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below,
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Thomas Ken *François Barthélémon*

GREETING

Priest ✝ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The priest welcomes the congregation and introduces the liturgy

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

We keep silence and call to mind our sins
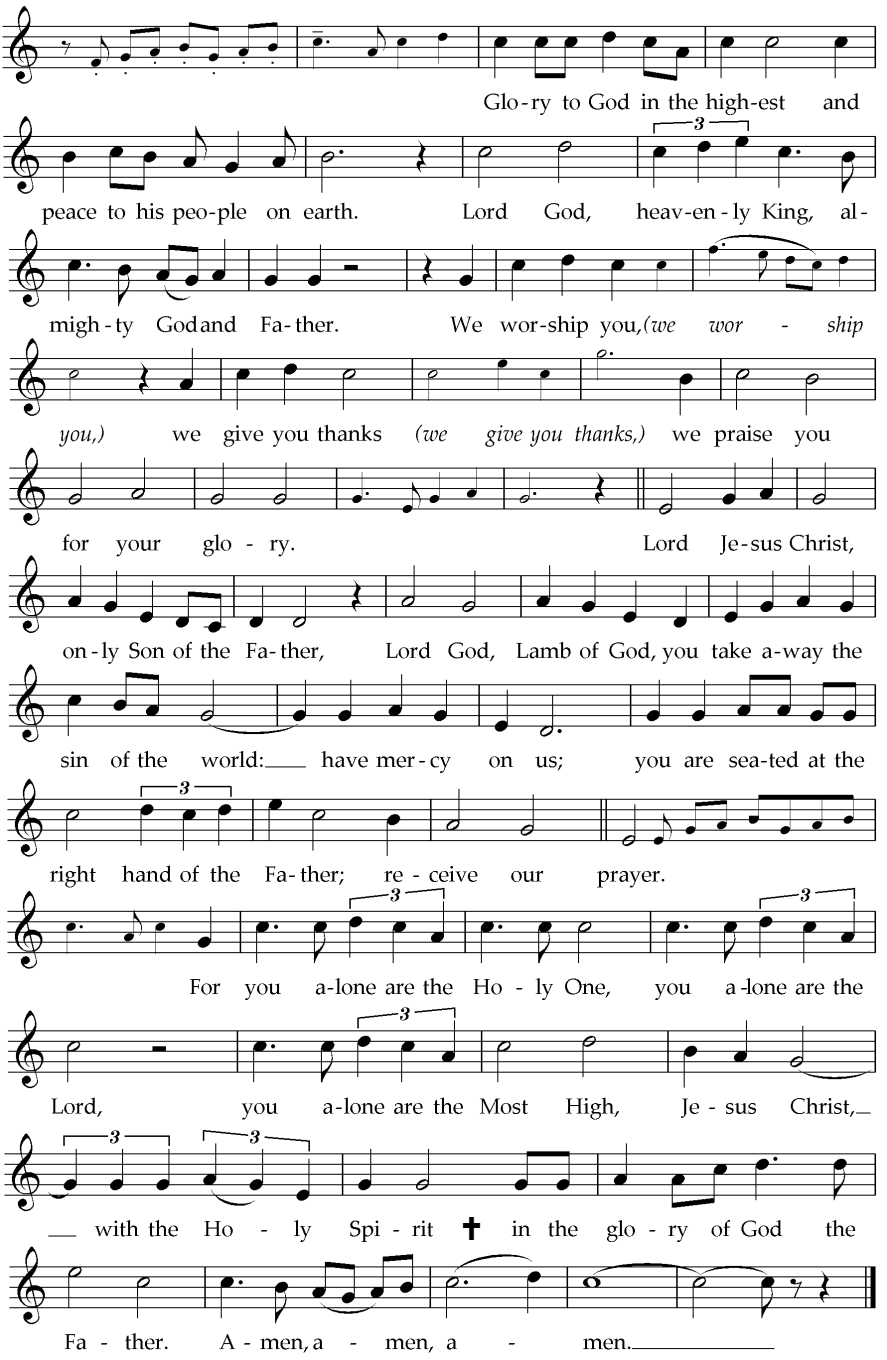
Almighty God,
All **our heavenly Father,**
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Priest Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✝ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

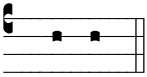


COLLECT

Priest Let us pray.

Silence is kept

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



All **Amen.**

Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING **1 Thessalonians 5. 1 - 11**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but

for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader For the word of the Lord:
All **thanks be to God.**

Stand

HYMN 366 *God of mercy, God of grace*

Psalm 67

God of mercy, God of grace,
Show the brightness of thy face:
Shine upon us, Saviour, shine,
Fill thy Church with light divine;
And thy saving health extend
Unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise thee, Lord;
Be by all that live adored:
Let the nations shout and sing,
Glory to their Saviour King;
At thy feet their tributes pay,
And thy holy will obey.

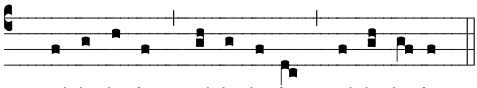
Let the people praise thee, Lord;
Earth shall then her fruits afford;
God to man his blessing give,
Man to God devoted live;
All below, and all above,
One in joy, and light, and love.

H F Lyte *Henry Smart*

Turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it is carried in procession

GOSPEL READING **Matthew 25. 14 - 30**

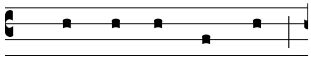
Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

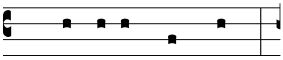


All **Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

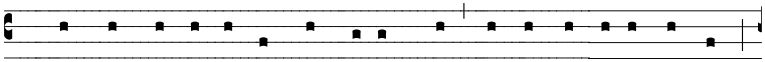
Choir Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

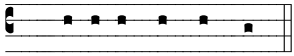




Deacon The Lord be with you. **All** **And also with you.**



Deacon ✝ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St Matthew.



All **Glory to you, O Lord.**
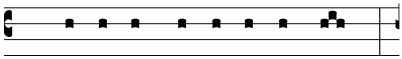
Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

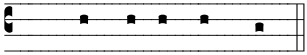
And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours."

But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."'



Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.



All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Turn back as an organ fanfare is played

Sit after the prayer

HOMILY

ORGAN REFLECTION

Stand

CREED

Priest We believe in one God,
All **the Father, the Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the ✝ resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Priest In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Kneel

One of these responses, or other suitable responses, may be used:

I:	II:	III:
Lord, in your mercy:	Lord, hear us:	Let us pray to the Lord:
hear our prayer.	**Lord, graciously hear us.**	**Lord, have mercy.**

The prayers may conclude with the Angelic Salutation ('Hail Mary'):

All **Hail Mary, full of grace,**
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners
now and at the hour of our death.

At the end:

Priest Rejoicing in the fellowship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Margaret, and all the saints, we commend ourselves and the whole creation to God's unfailing love.

Merciful Father,
All **accept these prayers,**
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Stand

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

PEACE

Priest To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace with their neighbours

During the hymn the altar is prepared and a collection is taken

- *Cash may be given via the bags circulated during the hymn*
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- *Please consider making a regular donation to support the work of our church.* ***Thank you for your gift.***

HYMN 339 *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Be thou my inheritance, now and always,
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

8th Century Irish, translated by Mary Byrne, versified by Eleanor Hull — *Traditional Irish melody, harmony by Erik Routley*

TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Priest Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
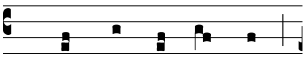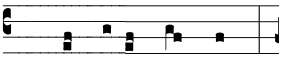
All **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good,
and the good of all his holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

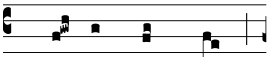
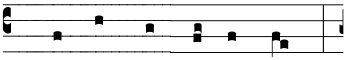
Priest As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

All **Amen.**
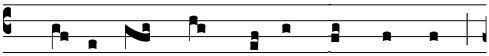
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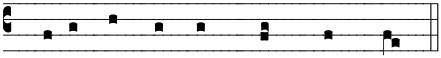

Priest The Lord be with you. **All** **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts. **All** **We lift them to the Lord.**



Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Priest It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come. Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised. In his face your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your kingdom a divided and broken humanity. Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, for ever praising you and singing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: Missa Brevis in D*
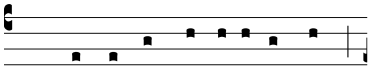
Choir *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.* ✝ *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Kneel
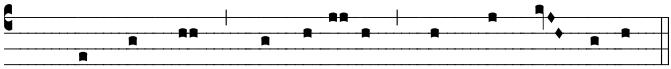
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Priest Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. ✝

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave 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. ✝



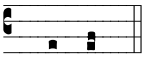
Deacon Great is the mystery of faith.



All **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

Priest And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

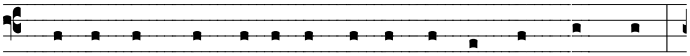
Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Margaret, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.
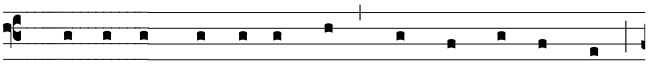


All **Amen.**

Silence is kept

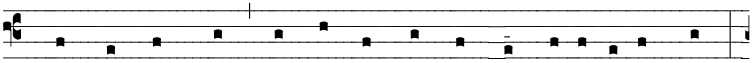
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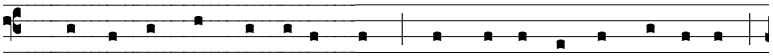


Priest Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:



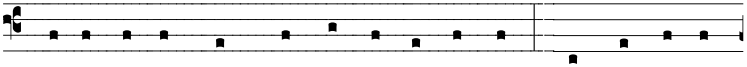
All **Our Father, who art in heav'n, hallowed be thy name;**
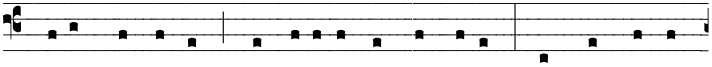


thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heav'n.



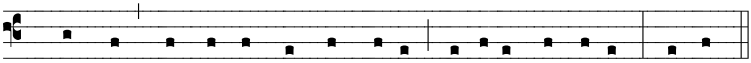
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,



as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not



into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the



kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

MOTET *Listen, sweet Dove*

Listen, sweet Dove, unto my song,
And spread thy golden wings in me;
Hatching my tender heart so long,
Till it get wing, and fly away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow,
That th'earth did like a heav'n appear;
The stars were coming down to know
If they might mend their wages, and serve here.

The sun which once did shine alone,
Hung down his head, and wisht for night,
When he beheld twelve suns for one
Going about the world, and giving light.

Lord, though we change, thou art the same;
The same sweet God of love and light:
Restore this day, for thy great name,
Unto his ancient and miraculous right.

George Herbert, from The Temple *1633* *Grayston Ives*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest ✝ Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The people receive communion

- *If you are not a member of the Church of England, but normally receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here*
- *If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bring this booklet with you and hold it in your hands*
- *If you are currently unconfirmed in your faith and would like to enter more deeply into your relationship with God, please speak to the priest about the sacrament of confirmation after the service*

The choir sings during the administration of communion

AGNUS DEI *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: Missa Brevis in D*

Choir *Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.*
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

Remain seated for the hymn

HYMN 235 *Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go*

Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know,
In all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find,
And prove thy good and perfect will.

Preserve me from my calling's snare,
And hide my simple heart above,
Above the thorns of choking care,
The gilded baits of worldly love.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see,
And labour on at thy command,
And offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day;

For thee delightfully employ
Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with thee to heaven.

Charles Wesley *Melody and bass by Orlando Gibbons*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest Let us pray.

Stand

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour

All **Amen.**

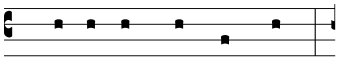
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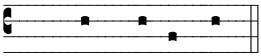
Priest The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, ✝ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**





Deacon Go in the peace of Christ. **All** **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 377 *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest—to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

W Chalmers Smith — *Adapted from a Welsh song set to a hymn in John Roberts'* Caniadau y Cyssegre *1839*

ORGAN *Postlude* — *William Mathias*

Please stay for refreshments in the Parish Hall

Please take this booklet home with you as an aid for prayer and reflection through the week