



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Environment Programme

Harvest and Thanksgiving

When the bell is rung, we stand to sing our FIRST HYMN

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest-home:
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest home!

2. We ourselves are God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Grant, O harvest Lord, that we, wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take his harvest home;
From his field shall purge away all that doth offend, that day;
Give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store, in the garner evermore.

4. Then, the Church triumphant come,
raise the song of harvest-home!
All is safely gathered in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
in God's garner to abide:
Come, ten thousand angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home!

Minister In the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen**

All The Lord be with you
And also with you

THE WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

We say sorry for the wrong we have done against
God, the whole world, and our neighbor.

As we prepare to celebrate, let us call to mind our sins and the sins of our
society in the misuse of God's creation.

God has blessed us, but still God's children go
hungry Lord, have mercy

All Lord, have mercy

God has blessed us, but still the poor cry out for justice
Christ, have mercy

All Christ, have mercy

God has blessed us, but still we see
inequality and oppression in the earth
Lord, have mercy

All Lord, have mercy

The Minister declares God's forgiveness

May the God of Love bring us back to
himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us
of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We sing a HYMN OF PRAISE

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

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to Christ Jesus.
To God be glory forever!
Alleluia Amen! Alleluia Amen! Alleluia Amen!

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

The Special Prayer for Harvest Sunday

Eternal God, You crown the year with your
goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in
their season: grant that we may use them to your
glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being:
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever, **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Reader This is the Word of the Lord,
All **Thanks be to God.**

We stand to sing together:

1. Thank you, Lord, for this new day! x3
right where we are.

*Chorus Alleluia, praise the Lord, x3
right where we are.*

2. Thank you, Lord, for food to eat, x3
right where we are. *Chorus*

3. Thank you, Lord, for clothes to wear,
x3 right where we are. *Chorus*

4. Thank you, Lord, for all your gifts, x3
right where we are. *Chorus*

We remain standing for the **GOSPEL READING**

Please turn to face the reader.

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to.....
All **Glory to you O Lord**

At the end

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

Please sit for the HARVEST TALK

We stand to affirm our faith together:

**We believe and trust
in God the Father
who made the world.**

**We believe and trust
in his Son, Jesus Christ,
who redeemed the world.**

**We believe and trust
in the Holy Spirit who gives life
to the people of God. Amen**

We sit or kneel for a TIME OF PRAYER

To the words 'Lord of the Harvest'
We all respond 'hear our prayer'

At the end Merciful Father,
**Accept these prayers
for the sake of your son
our saviour Jesus Christ, Amen**

We stand for the **PEACE**

Minister The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **And also with you**

We share the peace with those around us by shaking hands with our neighbour and saying 'Peace be with you'

HYMN

During which a collection is taken to support the work of this Church and the bread and wine are brought to the altar.

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.

Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

2. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light.

3. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, pleasures pure and undefiled.

4. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven.

5. For thy Church which evermore lifteth holy hands above, off'ring up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love.

Minister Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.
Blessed be God forever.

The EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Let us pray

(please sit or kneel)

All The Lord is here
His Spirit is with us
Lift up your hearts
All **We lift them to the Lord**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
All **It is right to give thanks and praise**

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and
might,
heaven and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples,
saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love,
his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and
more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day when suffering is
ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving
arms.

And now with Blessed Mary, Michael, and all your
saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever. **Amen**

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy Kingdom come, thy will be
done, on earth as it is in heaven.
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**

Minister We break this bread to share in the body of Christ
**All Though we are many, we are one
body Because we all share in one
bread**

*Everyone is invited to come to receive a prayer of
blessing, or if it is your tradition the bread and wine.
If you wish to receive a blessing, please bring this service sheet forward
and bow your head at the altar rail.*

Hymns During Communion

1. Praise and thanksgiving Father, we offer,
For all things living you have made good:
Harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
Hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.
2. Lord bless the labour we bring to serve you,
That with our neighbour we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling we would work with you;
Harvesting, milling, For daily bread.
3. Father, providing food for your children,
Your wisdom guiding teaches us share
One with another, so that rejoicing,
Sisters and brothers may know your care.
4. Then will your blessing reach every people;
All lands confessing your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning no one will hunger:
your love sustaining, fruitful the land.

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 here,
Lift up your voices the Lord is
here. (x4)

We say together the prayer after Communion

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies, to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your
Spirit to live and work,
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

The Blessing

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ, Who is the source of all goodness
and growth, pour his blessings upon all

things created,
and upon you his children,
that you may use his gifts to his glory
and the welfare of all peoples. And the blessing....

The Notices for the community, are given.

The FINAL HYMN

1. We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered by
God's almighty hand;
he sends the snow in winter, the
warmth to swell the grain, the
breezes and the sunshine, and
soft refreshing rain. *Refrain*

Refrain

*All good gifts around us, are
sent from heav'n above,
Then thank the Lord,
then thank the Lord, for all his love!*

2. He only is the Maker of
all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread. *Refrain*

3. We thank thee, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed time and the harvest,
our life, our health, and food;
accept the gifts we to offer, for
all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest, our
humble, thankful hearts. *Refrain*

Minister

Freely you have received, so freely
give. Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ, Amen.