

HARVEST THANKSGIVING



God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.

Greeting:

Welcome in the name of Christ. God's grace, mercy and peace be with you all:
and also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Almighty 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.**

PENITENCE

{In response, we repeat the words, Lord, have mercy, or Christ have mercy...}

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we take your generous gifts for granted.

Lord, have mercy ...

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we waste its rich resources.

Christ, have mercy ...

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we don't share it fairly with all of your children.

Lord, have mercy ...

ABSOLUTION

GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

COLLECT

God our Father, we praise and thank you for your wonderful gifts. Help us to care for what you have made, for the earth, for our rivers, for our beaches, for the food we eat, for all the resources of the earth, and help us to use and share them that we and all living beings may live in dignity and safety. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.
Amen.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 8.7–18

A reading from the book Deuteronomy:

7 The LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, 8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, 9 a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. 10 You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. 11 Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. 12 When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, 13 and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, 14 then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery,] 15 who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, 16 and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. 17 Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' 18 But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

This is the word of the Lord...

Psalm 65

1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,
because of their transgressions.

3 Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you will blot them out.

4 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there!
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.

5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation,
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.

6 You make fast the mountains by your power;
they are girded about with might.

7 You still the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamour of the peoples.

8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvellous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous;
the river of God is full of water.

10 You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth.

11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground
and bless its increase.

12 You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.

13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.

14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning and shall be forever. Amen

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 9.6–15

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

6 The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. 9 As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' 10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; 12 for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. 13 Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, 14 while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. 15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

This is the word of the Lord...

GOSPEL

Luke 17.11–19

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, 13 they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' 14 When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. 15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. 16 He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. 17 Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? 18 Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' 19 Then he said to the Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

This is the gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to God the Almighty, the King of creation.

Eternal God, we thank you for your light and your truth. We praise you for your fatherly care in creating a universe which proclaims your glory. Inspire us to worship you, the creator of all, and let your light shine upon our world. Lord, in your mercy...

We thank you for the beauty of the earth, for the diversity of land and sea, for the resources of the earth. Give us the will to cherish this planet and to use its riches for the good and welfare of all. Lord, in your mercy...

We thank you for the warmth of the sun, the light of the moon, the glory of the stars. Save us from wasting or abusing the energy on which all life depends. Open our eyes to behold your beauty, and our lips to praise your name. Lord, in your mercy

We thank you for the teeming life of the seas, and the flight of the birds, the plants and trees that clothe the land. Help us to protect the environment so that all life may flourish.

Lord, in your mercy...

Grant us grace to treat all animals and plants with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honour the delicate balance of nature.

Lord, in your mercy....

We pray for the human family. We exult in its diversity and giftedness; we repent of its sins, divisions, and violence. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us, through Christ who came to re-make us by his death and resurrection. Lord, in your mercy...

We remember before God all those affected by the present pandemic, the sick, the anxious, the lonely and the unemployed...

We remember all those with hard decisions to make...

We remember too all those who work in nursing and medicine, and all ancillary staff....We ask for God's presence with them...

We remember Lord, in your mercy

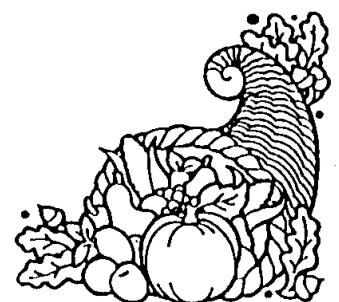
Heavenly Father, you have filled the world with beauty: open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

You shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

The peace of the Lord...

We exchange a sign of peace...



Loving God,
through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer,
which has come forth from the earth and human hands have made.
May we know your presence in the sharing,
so that we may know your touch and presence in all things.
We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared
among his community through the centuries,
and shares with us now.
Made one in Christ and one with each other,
we offer these gifts and with them ourselves,
a single, living act of praise. **Amen.**

Loving Father,
whether we receive the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ
with our hands or with our hearts,
may we be filled with his love and with his presence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord, **Amen**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us celebrate the feast.

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

Father, Lord of all creation,
we praise you for your goodness and your love.
When we turned away you did not reject us.
You came to meet us in your Son,
welcomed us as your children
and prepared a table where we might feast with you.
In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened wide his arms upon the cross and, with love stronger than death,
he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer,
on the night before you died
you came to table with your friends.
Taking bread, you gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying,
Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the bread of life.

At the end of supper you took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said,
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 in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the true vine.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:

dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored our life;

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now;
may this bread and wine be to us
the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us, who know our need of grace,
one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity:
with your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise
and lift our voice to join the song of heaven,
for ever praising you and singing:

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

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

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.

The bread which we break
is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body,
For we all share in the one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

**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.**

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God who has taken away the sin of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

CONCLUDING PRAYER

**As we go from this table of your word
and the communion of your love,
may we bring with us, Lord God,
an appreciation of the beauty of all you make,
and especially a strong faith
in the unique beauty of each person
who is made in your image and likeness.
We ask this in your Son's name. Amen.**

BLESSING

May God the Father,
who clothes the lilies of the field
and feeds the birds of the air,
provide you with all you need for life in its fulness.

And the blessing ...

Dismissal: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen

