

HARVEST THANKSGIVING



Hymn: 37. Come ye thankful people, come.

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 26.1–11

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with

signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me. You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

This is the word of the Lord...

Jubilate

Psalm 100

1 O shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his face with songs of joy.
2 Know that the Lord he is God; *
it is he who has made us and we are his
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
3 Come into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and bless his holy name.
4 For the Lord is good
his loving mercy is for ever, *
his faithfulness throughout all generations.
Glory ...



SECOND READING

Philippians 4.4-9

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord...

GRADUAL HYMN: 47 WE PLOUGH THE FIELDS AND SCATTER

GOSPEL

Luke 17.11-19

Hear the gospel of our Saviour Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

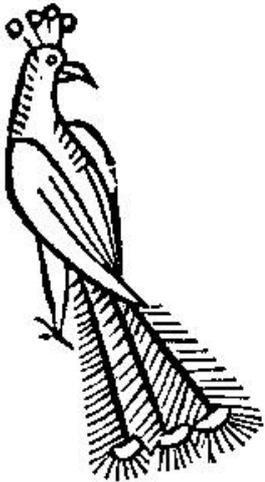
When they found Jesus on the other side of the sea, the crowd said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then

they said to Jesus, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?' 31 Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

This is the gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us affirm our faith in God: Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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, the sick, the anxious, the lonely and the unemployed... We remember all those with hard decisions to make... Father may your healing presence be amongst them. 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.



OFFERTORY HYMN: 38 Father, blessing every seed-time

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.

Lord of all life, you created the universe where all things reflect your glory.

You give us this great and beautiful earth to discover and to cherish.

You give us happy times and things to celebrate;

In these we see your kingdom and taste a feast for all to share.

You made us all to love and to serve you;

and so we join with the angels to sing your praise:

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!

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples.

This is my body, he said, 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.

This is my blood, he said, poured out for you

and for all people to save them from their sins.

Do this to remember me.

Father, send your Holy Spirit,

that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your only Son,

our Saviour, Jesus Christ,

and change us more and more to be like him.

Make us joyful as we celebrate his death for us on the cross

and his rising from the dead;

and share these gifts which strengthen us to follow him.

Help us to love all people

and to work together for that day

when all needs of the world are met,

suffering is ended, and the whole of creation is gathered into your loving arms.

With all your saints we give you glory through Jesus Christ,

in the strength of the Spirit for ever and ever. 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 ...

HYMN: 361 Now thank we all our God

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

