Community Communion for the Celebration of Harvest Sunday 28th September 2025



Welcome

We greet one another, then share the **Peace:**

The peace of our Maker be always with you. And also with you.

Confession

Our climate is changing, and we are changing it: help us to take responsibility. Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

We have turned a blind eye to greed: help us to be more grateful. Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

We have pushed human rights aside: help us to love our neighbours. Lord, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.

The God of all joy give us joy in knowing God, joy in serving each other, joy in the beauty of creation, joy in enough.

We are forgiven and loved. **Amen.**

Hymn:

For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for the gifts of every nation, thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done; in our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing,

God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Reading: Psalm 65.8-14

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

You prepare the grain: for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges:

with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

You crown the year with your goodness:

and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing:

and the hills be clothed with joy.

May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain: let them shout for joy and sing!

A time for **making and sharing**

Song: Jubilate Deo, alleluia!



Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, as stickers are placed on a map of the world.

Offertory: Newly-made bread, and wine, are brought to the altar.

Eucharistic Song:

Gloria xx gloria xx, in excelsis Deo! (twice)

The Eternal One be with you! **And with your spirit!**Lift up your hearts **We lift them to the Eternal One.**Let us give thanks to the Giver of Bread.

It is good to give thanks and praise.

We thank you for the beauty and richness to which you give birth; for wonderful variety of the fruit of the land; for everything that nourishes and sustains us. **Gloria, gloria...**

We thank you that Jesus took flesh from the soil of our world, and discovered you in the woods and the fields, the hills and the plains, the planting and the harvesting. **Gloria, gloria...**

We thank you for your Holy Spirit, flowing through all creation, whom we now pray to flow also through us and through these gifts of bread and wine. **Gloria, gloria...**

We thank you that, on the night before he died, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, blessed it and broke it, and offers it now as the living sign of his broken body. **Gloria, gloria...**

We thank you that after supper he poured out wine, gave thanks, blessed it and shared it, and offers it now as the living sign of his cascading blood. **Gloria, gloria...**

We thank you that he calls us to live as his Body on earth, united with all who stretch out their hands to him; and ourselves to bear the fruit of the Kingdom. **Gloria, gloria...**

We thank you that he calls us to your harvest feast, with his mother Mary and all who love you; and to sing eternally with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven.

Gloria, gloria...

All sing: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name! Thy kingdom come, they will be done, hallowed be thy name!

On earth as it is in heaven, hallowed be thy name! Give us this day our daily bread, hallowed be thy name!

Forgive us our trespasses, hallowèd be thy name!
As we forgive those who trespass against us, hallowèd be thy name!

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, **hallowèd be thy name!**For ever and for ever, **hallowèd be thy name!**

Amen, amen, it shall be so! hallowed be thy name! (twice)

Please stand in a semi-circle around the altar, to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

Communion song: O Jesus, giver of bread: O Jesus, giver of life!



After Communion silence is kept.

Sending out Prayer:

God our Creator, you have made us one with this earth, to tend it and to bring forth fruit. May we so cherish and rejoice in all that has life from you, that we may share in the labour of creation to give birth to your hidden glory, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Song for going out:

Thank you, Lord, for this new day! (3x) right where we are. Thank you, Lord, for harvest time! (3x) right where we are. Thank you, Lord, for food and drink! (3x) right where we are. Thank you, Lord, for Bread and Wine! (3x) right where we are. Thank you, Lord, for all your gifts! (3x) right where we are.

Let us go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to God!