



All-Age Harvest Service Sunday 1 October 2017

*The service is led by Ben Merrell and the All Age Team
Harvest gifts today will go to the Beverley Foodbank.*

★We Gather Together

Let us come before God with thanksgiving
And sing joyfully to him with psalms.
For He tends the earth and waters it.
He makes it rich and fertile.
Lord of the Harvest, everything is yours,
The rains that fall, the sun that shines,
The seed once hidden in the ground,
The skill that makes the harvest grow
Our thanks we bring to you this day
New praises from our lips shall sound.

Hymn

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.

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.

Then, thou Church triumphant, come,
raise the song of harvest-home;
all be 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.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8.7-18

Introduction

The junior choir sings a song.

★ We confess our sins

We confess our sin, and the sins of our world, in the misuse of God's creation

Silence

God our Father we are sorry for the times when we have
used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.
Father in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.
Father in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry.
Father in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.
Father in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We store up goods for ourselves alone as if there was no God and no heaven.
Father in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

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 Praise God Together

Blessed be your name, in the land that is
plentiful
Where your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name when I'm found in
the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed Be your name.

Blessed be your name when the sun's
shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be'
Blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name on the road
marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name..

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be Your name.

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From the sun's rising unto the sun's setting,
Jesus our Lord shall be great in the earth;
And all earth's kingdoms shall be his dominion,
All of creation shall sing of his worth.

*Let ev'ry heart, ev'ry voice, ev'ry tongue join with spirits ablaze;
One in his love, we will circle the world with the song of his praise.
O, let all his people rejoice, and let all the earth hear his voice!*

To ev'ry tongue, tribe and nation he sends us,
To make disciples to teach and baptise;
For all authority to him is given;
Now as his witnesses we shall arise.

Come let us join with the Church from all nations,
Cross ev'ry border, throw wide ev'ry door;
Workers with him as he gathers his harvest,
'til earth's far corners our Saviour adore.

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★ We Listen To God's Word

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 9.6-15

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Third Reading: Luke 12.16-30

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Talk Ben Merrell

The junior choir sings a song

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

★We Praise God Together

Please bring any gifts you have for the food bank to the front during this song

1. We plough the fields with tractors,
With drills we sow the land;
But growth is still the wondrous gift
Of God's almighty hand.
We add our fertilizers
To help the growing grain;
But for its full fruition,
It needs God's sun and rain.

2. With many new machines now
We do the work each day;
We reap the fields with combines,
We bale the new-mown hay.
But still it's God who gives us
Inventive skill and drives
Which lighten labour's drudgery
And give us better lives.

*All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.*

3. He only is the maker
Of galaxies and stars;
Of birds and beasts and flowers,
And any life on Mars.
Atomic powers obey him,
Yet still the birds are fed;
By him our prayer is answered:
Give us our daily bread.

4. We thank thee then, O Father,
For life so rich and good,
For seedtime and the harvest,
The wealth of daily food.
No gifts have we to offer
Such as thy love imparts,
But what thou most desirest:
Our humble thankful hearts.

Words: Frank Low

Tune: WIR PFLÜGEN

Prayers of Intercession

Collect

We pray together

**Creator God,
you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



We end by saying the Lord's Prayer together.

**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.**

Offertory Hymn

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

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
 This our sacrifice of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour
 of the day and of the night,
 hill and vale, and tree and flow'r,
 sun and moon, and stars of light:

For the joy of human love,
 brother, sister, parent, child,
 friends on earth, and friends above;
 for all gentle thoughts and mild:

For each perfect gift of thine
 to our race so freely giv'n,
 graces, human and divine,
 flow'rs of earth, and buds of heav'n:

For thy Church which evermore
 lifteth holy hands above,
 off'ring up on ev'ry shore
 her pure sacrifice of love:

Words: F.S. Pierpoint.

Tune: ENGLAND'S LANE

Blessing

May God our creator,
 Who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air,
 Bestow on us his care and increase the harvest of our righteousness;
 And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among us
 and remain with us always. **Amen**

Go in peace to tend the earth, to enjoy God's good creation
 and to bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

In the name of Christ. Amen.



You are invited to coffee in the South Transept after the service.