

The United Benefice of
Warton and Borwick with Yealand

Harvest Festival



The Eucharist

(livestream Sunday 4th October)

A very warm welcome to everyone who is joining us “virtually” online via our YouTube channel.

Presiding Minister: The Revd Robin Figg, Vicar

Song: Robin Class at Yealand School (*record at school*)

First reading: Jane Lever (*recorded at her home*)

Gospel reading: Junior Church children (*recorded at their homes*)

Intercessions: Swallow Class children at Yealand School (*recorded at school*) and Sally-Ann Rothwell (*recorded at her home*)

This is a service of Holy Communion. The term ‘Spiritual Communion’ has been used historically to describe the means of grace by which a person, prevented for some reason from sharing in a celebration of the Eucharist, nonetheless shares in the communion of Jesus Christ. The Church of which we are members is not defined by the walls of a building, but by the Body of Christ to which we belong. In making our communion spiritually we are joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us, ‘I am the bread of life’.

Music before the service

All creatures of our God and King *William Henry Draper (1855-1933)*
based on Laudato sii, O me signore St Francis of Assisi's Canticle of the Sun

Come ye thankful people, come *Henry Alford (1810-1871) and others*

Both sung by the St Martin's Voices

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Donations are invited in support of the Bishop's Harvest Appeal which this year is supporting **Friends of the Holy Land** and **Tear Fund**.

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Non-perishable gifts can be brought to one of our churches when they are open for individual prayer during this coming week or they can be brought to the Vicarage and left in the box in the porch.

The gifts will be given to

Lancaster & District Homeless Action Service



The Gathering

The people are welcomed.

The Greeting

The presiding minister says

We meet in the name of the living God,
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of the Earth and all its creatures.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Blessed are you, Lord God,
creator of heaven and earth.
Your Word call all things into being,
and the light of dawn awakens us to life.
May your wisdom guide us this day
that we may cherish and care for your good creation,
and offer to you the sacrifice of our lips,
praising you, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister introduces the confession with these words

As those who know the generosity of God, let us confess our sin,
especially the ways in which we take creation and God's gifts for granted.

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

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord, you give us this good earth,
but we squander its rich resources.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord, you give us this good earth,
but we fail to share you bounty with all of your children.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The presiding minister pronounces the absolution

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ
has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,
forgive us our sin,
open our eyes to God's truth,,
strengthen us to do God's will
and give us the joy of God's kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria

The following is said

**All Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his 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.**

The children of Robin Class at Yealand Primary School sign the song Big Red Combine Harvester.

The Collect

The presiding minister introduces a period of silent prayer

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 this planet and its peoples;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading using the following words

Alleluia, alleluia.

Lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are ripe for harvesting.

Gather the fruit for eternal life.

cf. John 4.35-36

All **Alleluia.**

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

After the sermon we keep a short time of quiet.

The Creed

Let us now declare our faith in God.

**All 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

The presiding minister introduces the prayers with these words

Lord God, we come to you to pray for your Church and your world.

The prayers include the response

Lord of the harvest,

All hear our prayer.

and end with

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The presiding minister introduces the Peace with these or other suitable words

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. *cf. Galatians 5.22,23*

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Music during the preparation: O, lovely peace GF Handle (1685–1759). Sung by Rhian and Martha of St Oswald's Church Choir.

At this point in our services in church we would receive a collection, the offering of our financial gifts in support of the mission & ministry of God's Church. Take a moment now to reflect prayerfully on your giving.

God of grace,
in our time of darkness
you bless us with gifts of light.
We bring our offerings to you -
our gifts at home, our gifts online -
and with them we offer our lives;
that they may be used to serve others,
and give you glory.

We make our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Prayer over the bread and wine

The presiding minister takes the bread and wine.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
you bring forth bread from the earth.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
you create the fruit of the vine.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The presiding minister says

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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.

The presiding minister praises God for God's mighty acts and all respond

**All 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.**

The presiding minister recalls the Last Supper and this acclamation is used

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly

...for ever and ever.

All Amen.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The presiding minister breaks the consecrated bread.

As Christ breaks bread with us.

All **he enfolds our story in his story.**

Agnus Dei

The Agnus Dei is said

All **Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sin,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

The presiding minister says the following invitation to communion

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all who are weary and whose load is heavy; I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble-hearted; and you will find rest for your souls'. *Matthew 11.28-29*

The presiding minister receives communion.

Those sharing the service from their homes are invited to give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with them now.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,

may I know you more clearly,

love you more dearly,

and follow you more nearly,

day by day. Amen.

After the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Prayer after Communion

The following Post Communion prayer is said.

**All Lord of the harvest,
with joy we have offered thanksgiving
for your love in creation
and have shared in the bread and wine of the kingdom:
by your grace plant within us
a reverence for all that you give us
and make us generous and wise stewards
of the good things we enjoy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

Notices

Hymn Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,
might and majesty divine!
He who framed the starry heavens
knows and names them as they shine!

Praise the Lord for times and seasons,
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;
spring to melt the snows of winter
till the waters flow again;
grass upon the mountain pastures,
golden valleys thick with grain.

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days;
love his laws, declare his judgments,
walk in all his words and ways;
he the Lord and we his children:
praise the Lord, all people, praise!

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Blessing and Dismissal

The presiding minister pronounces the blessing using the following words

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

May you find heaven in the wildness of creation,
may you seek justice in bread for the world,
may you know resurrection in the sunsets of autumn
and may you find God in the sharing of it all;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life,
be with you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Freely we have received, let us freely give.
Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The ministers and people depart.

Music after the service

Heaven on Earth *John L Bell (b1949) G Maule (b1958)*
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