

The Parish Church of St John
in the Yealands

Harvest Festival



The Eucharist

Sunday 26th September 2021

Welcome to St John's Church and our worship today

We gather as God's people to celebrate together the Eucharist, within the guidance we are encouraged to follow in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We do so with a loving concern for each other's safety and well-being.

Please follow the guidance below:

- Hand sanitiser is encouraged on entering and leaving;
- Face coverings are encouraged on entering and leaving and when moving around inside the building;
- Face coverings are encouraged when seated;
- Seating is in alternate pews;
- Space between households in pews is self-regulated;
- Face coverings are required (unless medically exempt) when singing;
- The Peace is shared visually, not physically;
- Communion is received in one kind (bread) only;
- Follow the directions of the Welcomers when coming forward for communion;
- Face coverings are required (unless medically exempt) when coming forward for communion;
- A collection is not received during the service; please place your envelope or money in the basket at the back of the church.

Thank you.

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**Donations are invited in support of
the Bishop's Harvest Appeal which
this year is supporting the
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St John's Hospice, Lancaster**



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The Gathering

The people are greeted informally.

Hymn Come, ye thankful people come

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home:
all be 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!

All the world is 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.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take his harvest home,
from his field shall purge away
all that doth offend, that day;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

Then, thou Church Triumphant, come,
raise the song of harvest-home;
all be safely gathered in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,

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there for ever purified
in God's garner to abide:
come, ten thousand angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest-home!

Henry Alford

The Greeting

The presiding minister says

We meet in the name of the living God,
Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life.

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

May God who loves us forgive us our sin,
so that we may have life and live it to the full.

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 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

Readings

At the end of each 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.**

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.

Whilst we will not receive a collection, the offering of our financial gifts, at this point in the service we will acknowledge all that we offer 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
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 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.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,
your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.

Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them in heaven's song:

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.**

Father of all, we give you thanks
for every gift that comes from heaven.

To the darkness Jesus came as your light.

With signs of faith and words of hope

he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.

On the night he was betrayed

he came to table with his friends

to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all.
Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
he took the cup, gave it and said:
This is my blood, shed for you all
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.
May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
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.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in the one bread.**

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 says

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

The presiding minister & people receive communion.

During the administration of communion, anyone who does not wish to receive communion is 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 are given.

Hymn We plough the fields and scatter

We plough the fields and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.*

He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
he fills the earth with beauty,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread. *[Refrain]*

We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good:
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts. *[Refrain]*

Matthias Claudius trans. Jane Montgomery Campbell

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.

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