

## Welcome and Opening Responses

The Psalmist said: "The land has yielded its harvest: God, our God has blessed us." (*Psalm 67: 6*)

Let the praises of God ring out.

**He is the source of our life.**

Let all creation rejoice in God;

**sing the glory of his name.**

Come and see the work of God,

**how wonderful he is to all people.**

He turned the sea into dry land,

**so his people went through the water on foot.**

There we rejoiced in him.

**In his might he rules forever.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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(*Psalm 66:4-8*)

## Hymn

### Confession (*kneel or sit*)

We confess to you our lack of care for the world you have given us.

Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

We confess to you our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.

Christ, have mercy: **Christ, have mercy.**

We confess to you our failure to protect resources for others.

Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on *us*, forgive *us* our sins, and bring *us* to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Collect for Harvest

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.**

### Hymn (*all stand*)

**Harvest gifts may be brought to the altar**

### 1st Reading (*all sit*)

### Hymn (*all stand*)

### 2nd Reading (*all sit*)

## Address

### Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray for our own needs and for the needs of others, following the pattern which Jesus gave when he taught us to pray to God our Father.

Through our love of the countryside,  
through our care for animals,  
through our respect for property and tools:

**Father, hallowed be your name.**

In our farms and in our homes,  
in our colleges and schools,  
where machinery is made,  
and where policy is planned:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

By seeking your guidance,  
by our keeping of your commandments,  
by our living true to our consciences:

**Father, your will be done.**

For the millions who live in poverty and hunger,  
for our own needs, and the needs of our neighbours,  
by co-operation, sympathy and generosity:  
**give us today our daily bread.**

Because we have broken your commandments,  
doing what we ought not to do  
and neglecting what we ought to do:  
**forgive us our sins.**

When prosperity lulls us to false security,  
or hard times prompt us to despair,  
when success makes us boastful,  
or failure makes us bitter:  
**lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

In the assurance of faith,  
the confidence of hope and the will to serve,  
help us to love Christ the Lord,  
and our neighbour as ourselves.  
**for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Hymn

### Blessing and Dismissal

May God the father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is the source of all goodness and growth,  
pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his  
children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare  
of all peoples; and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among *us* and remain with *us* always. Amen.

*Please join us for lunch after the service.*

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