



6th October 2024 Harvest Festival St Peter's Pedmore

Let us gather for worship

God has called us here this morning,

All the world give God your praises,

Let us offer him our worship

All the world give God your praises,

Let us thank him for his goodness'

All the world give God your praises,

Let us ask him to forgive us,

All the world give God your praises,

Let us learn what he would teach us,

All the world give God your praises,

Let us bring our prayers before him,

All the world give God your praises,

Shout for joy to the Lord who loves us,

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

As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever.

Amen

The earth has yielded its harvest;

God, our God, has blessed us.

You visit the earth and water it;

you make it very plenteous.

You soften the ground with showers;

and bless the increase of it.

You crown the year with your goodness;

and your paths overflow with plenty.

The meadows are clothed with sheep;

the valleys stand so thick with corn,

they shout for joy and sing.

Song

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 heav'n above;
Then thank the Lord, oh, 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;
The winds and waves obey Him,
By Him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, His children,
He gives our daily bread.

All good gifts....

We thank Thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good,
The seedtime 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.

All good gifts....

Let us say sorry to God

Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor, and repent
of the ways in which we waste the resources of the world.
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.

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all *your* sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Song

*Fear not, rejoice and be glad,
the Lord hath done a great thing;
hath poured out His Spirit on humankind,
on those who confess His name.*

The fig tree is building, the vine beareth fruit,
the wheat fields are golden with grain.
Thrust in the sickle, the harvest is ripe,
the Lord has given us rain.

Ye shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
the mountains will drip with sweet wine.
My children shall drink of the fountain of life,
My children will know they are mine.

My people shall know that I am the Lord,
their shame I have taken away.
My Spirit will lead them together again,
My Spirit will show them the way

My children shall dwell in a body of love,
a light to the world they will be.
Life shall come forth from the Father above,
My body will set mankind free.

Let us hear God's word

Bible Readings

Deuteronomy 26:1-12

Matthew 6:25-33

Talk

Song

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

And His righteousness;

And all these things shall be added unto you.

Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;

Seek, and you shall find.

Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Man shall not live by bread alone,

But by every word

That proceeds out from the mouth of God.

Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Let us declare our faith in God, saying

We believe in God the Father, who created the world and all that is in it;

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

We believe in Jesus Christ his Son, who came to our world as its Saviour;

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God;

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

This is the faith of all Christians, in all times and all places;

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Let us give thanks to God,

For the colour and forms of your creation

and our place within it,

we bring our thanks, good Lord:

your mercy endures for ever.

For our daily food,
and for those whose work and skill
bring your good gifts to us,
we bring our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For the gifts and graces inspired in human minds and hearts;
for insight and imagination,
for the skills of research
which bring healing and fulfilment to the lives of many;
we bring our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For the light and shades of the changing seasons,
and their variety and dependability;
for new life and growth out of barrenness and decay;
we bring our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For new hope and strength in our communities,
especially in your Church and among all you call to serve you,
we bring our thanks, good Lord;
your mercy endures for ever.

For all in whose lives we see
goodness, kindness, gentleness, patience and humility,
and all the fruit of the Spirit,
we bring our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For the life we have been given,
and for all those whom you have given us to share it,
we bring our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

Song

For the fruits of his creation,
thanks be to God;
for his gifts to 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 worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of his 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.

Let us turn to God in prayer

The Collect

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **Amen**

Prayers of intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Song

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.

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:
Lord of harvest, grant 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 in that day
All offenses purge away;
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store
In His garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
Bring Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
In Thy garner to abide;
Come, with all Thine angels come,
Raise the glorious harvest home.

**God of power,
may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and
worship you now and always. Amen**

May God our creator, who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air, bestow on you his care and increase the harvest of your righteousness; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Notice to take home

6th October 19th Sunday after Trinity/Harvest Festival

9.00 am Holy Communion Deuteronomy 26:1-12 and Matthew 6:25-33

10.30 am Harvest Celebration Deuteronomy 26:1-12 and Matthew 6:25-33

Wednesday 9th October Holy Communion at St Peter's

13th October 20th Sunday after Trinity

9.00 am Holy Communion Hebrews 4:12-end and Mark 10:17-31

10.30 am Holy Communion Hebrews 4:12-end and Mark 10:17-31

Wednesday 16th October Holy Communion at St Andrew's

Black Country Food Bank Shortages

Thank you for your support of the Food Bank this harvest they have continuing on-going needs and these are: Tea bags (boxes of 40), 1Ltr Cartons Long Life Milk, 1Ltr Cartons Long Life Fruit Juice, Tinned vegetables, Tinned chopped tomatoes, Breakfast Cereal, Instant noodles, Tinned Spaghetti, Shampoo, Toilet Rolls, Shower Gel and bars of soap. Or pick up a list from church

Prayers for Pedmore

Next meeting will be on 14th October at 7.30 pm

Men's breakfast

Saturday 19th October at 9.30 am for details please have a word with Barry Kitto

Quest

We will be starting a new study this term looking at St Paul's letter to the small group of churches in Rome. We meet at the home of Corrinne and Richard on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm and they will lead us through our time together looking at Romans. We will be using the material produced for The Bible Society and written by Dr Andrew Ollerton, the author of The Bible Course which we used in Pedmore a couple of years ago. Please do let us know if you would like to join us so that the right number of sets of notes can be provided. Our numbers are: Corrinne 07810 424 506 or Richard 07787 161 186. As the nights draw in and some people don't enjoy venturing out on their own in the dark we may move to using zoom if necessary.

An eco tip

Contribute to wildlife conservation. Clean bird feeders to prevent diseases spreading to winter migrants. Install a nest box well before breeding season to provide a cosy retreat for small birds during cold winter nights. Prepare to support more birds next year, with more tips at arocha.org.uk/give-a-bird-a-home. As you observe the local birds reflect on this verse, 'I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the fields are mine.' Psalm 50:11

Don't forget

If you would like someone mentioned in prayer in church have a word with the person taking the service, the person leading the prayers or David Nichol. We love to pray for people. People like to be prayed for even if they are not part of a church.