

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.*

2. 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 feed;  
much more to us, his children,  
he gives our daily bread.

3. We thank you, 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 your love imparts,  
and that which you most welcome,  
our humble, thankful hearts.

*Words: Matthias Claudius, 1782;  
trans. Jane Montgomery Campbell, 1861*

### **Blessing**

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 them 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 you and remain with you always.  
Amen.

### **Sending out**

May we find heaven in the wildness of creation;  
may we seek justice in bread for the world;  
may we know resurrection in the sunsets of  
autumn; and may we find God in the sharing of it  
all.

**Amen.**

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# A Celebration of Harvest Thanksgiving

Nicholson's Farm,  
Hoddersfield

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# A Service of the Word Harvest Thanksgiving

## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made.  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

We have come together in the name of Christ to  
offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and  
receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs  
of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our  
sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
we may give ourselves to the service of God.

**Hymn 37** Come ye thankful people come

1. 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.

2. 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.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come,  
to thy final harvest-home;  
gather thou thy people in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin;  
there for ever purified  
in thy presence to abide:  
come, with all thine angels come,  
raise the glorious harvest-home.

*Henry Alford (1810-71)*

*Children will bring up their gifts during the  
hymn...*

That we may hear and respond to your call to  
peace and justice;  
in faith we pray:  
**we pray to you our God.**  
That you will sustain the faith and hope  
of those who are lonely, oppressed and anxious;  
in faith we pray:  
**we pray to you our God.**  
That you will strengthen us in your service,  
and fill our hearts with longing for your  
kingdom;  
in faith we pray:  
**we pray to you our God.**

God of mercy:  
**you know us and love us  
and hear our prayer:  
keep us in the eternal fellowship  
of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

## 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,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

## GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

**HYMN 47** We plough the fields

1. We plough the fields and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is feed and watered  
by God's almighty hand;  
he sends the snow in winter,

1. Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colours,  
He made their tiny wings.

2. The purple-headed mountain,  
The river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning  
That brightens up the sky.

3. The cold wind in the winter,  
The pleasant summer sun,  
The ripe fruits in the garden,  
He made them every one.

4. He gave us eyes to see them,  
And lips that we might tell  
How great is God almighty,  
Who has made all things well.

*Words: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848*

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of the  
universe!

**Your word brings on the dawn of the Day.**

Your wisdom creates both day and night.

**You determine the cycles of time.**

You arrange the succession of seasons  
and establish the stars in their heavenly courses.

**Lord of the starry hosts is your name.**

Living and eternal God, rule over us always.

**Blessed be the Lord, whose word makes light  
to shine in the darkness.**

## PRAYERS

Response: in faith we pray: **we pray to you our  
God.**

That the rest of this day may be holy, peaceful  
and full of your presence;  
in faith we pray:  
**we pray to you our God.**

That our work and the people we meet may  
bring us closer to you;  
in faith we pray:  
**we pray to you our God.**

That we may be forgiven our sins and failures;  
in faith we pray:  
**we pray to you our God.**

God, our Father in heaven, who created us  
and sustains our life,  
accept these harvest gifts  
as a sign of our appreciation  
for your unfailing love.  
May they bring blessing  
to the people who receive them;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

### *Invitation to Confession*

God's whole creation groans. The land produces  
thorns and thistles and is ready for burning. Our  
sin affects all around us. We confess our sin in  
penitence and faith.

### *Confession*

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

God our Father, we are sorry for the times when  
we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted  
ungratefully.

Hear our prayer, and 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 were no God and no heaven.

Father, in your mercy:

**forgive us and help us. Amen.**

## THE PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING OF THE WORD

Psalm 100

**1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a  
song.**

**2 Know that the Lord is God; \*  
it is he that has made us and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and bless his name.  
4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast  
love is everlasting, \*  
and his faithfulness endures from  
generation to generation.**

#### FIRST READING

Genesis 2: 4-9

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

#### **HYMN 24** All creatures of our God and King

1.All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!

O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2.Thou rushing wind that art so strong  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!

3. Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and light.

4.Dear mother earth, who day by day  
Unfoldest blessings on our way,

O praise Him! Alleluia!  
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,  
Let them His glory also show.

7.Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

*William Henry Draper(1855-1933)*

#### SECOND READING

Luke 12: 16-21

Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

#### THE SERMON

Rev Canon Andrew Orr

#### AFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

*Stand*

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe that creation is a gift of God,  
an expression of our Creator's goodness.**

**We believe that as human beings  
we are part of this creation and  
that we share in the creative power of God.**

**We believe that the resources of our land  
and air are precious gifts  
from our Creator to be used with loving care.  
We believe there is a rhythm to God's creation.  
Like a drum beat: when we lose the beat,  
or the drum is damaged, the music is out of tune.**

#### **HYMN 25** All things bright and beautiful

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*