



## The Sunday Sheet *for* The Thanksgiving for the Harvest 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the **Parish Eucharist**.  
An induction loop is provided.*

***Gluten free wafers are available*** for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

### Entrance Hymn

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 this world is God's own field,  
fruit unto his praise to yield;  
wheat and tares therein are sown,  
unto joy or sorrow grown;  
ripening with a wondrous power  
till the final harvest-hour:  
grant, O Lord of life, that we  
holy grain and pure may be.

For we know that thou wilt come,  
and wilt take thy people home;  
from thy field wilt purge away  
all that doth offend, that day;  
and thine angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast,

but the fruitful ears to store  
in thy garner evermore.

Come then, Lord of mercy, come,  
bid us sing thy harvest-home:  
let thy saints be gathered in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin:  
all upon the golden floor  
praising thee for evermore:  
come, with all thine angels come,  
bid us sing thy harvest-home.

*Henry Alford 1810-1871  
Tune: St George's Windsor*

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Grace and peace be with you  
**And keep you in the love of Christ.**

*The Priest gives an introduction to the Eucharist and calls the people to penitence.*

*Silence is kept*

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.**

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
✠ forgive you and set you free from sin,  
and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

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, his people, praise him!  
Wounded souls his comfort know;  
those who fear him find his mercies,  
peace for pain and joy for woe;  
humble hearts are high exalted,  
human pride and power laid low.

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!

*Timothy Dudley Smith*  
*Tune: Regent Square*

## The Collect

Lord of all creation,  
you give us the fruits of the earth in their season  
and crown the year with your goodness:  
help us so to receive your gifts with thankful hearts  
that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in want and to meet our daily needs;  
through Jesus Christ the Bread of life,  
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## 1 Timothy 6. 6-10

A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

For the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel

*Please Stand*

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!

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:  
O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*William Henry Draper 1855-1933  
Based on St Francis of Assisi 1182-1226  
Tune: Lass tuns Erfreuen*

## Matthew 6. 25-33

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor

gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Homily**

*Please Sit*

## **An Affirmation of the Faith.**

*Please Stand*

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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 the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God:  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## The Intercession

*Please Sit*

*Appropriate responses may be used, for example*

Lord, in your mercy:  
**hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear us:  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The Intercession ends with a suitable collect said by the priest, or the following*

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

## The Peace

*Please Stand*

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

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of the Lord's peace.

## Offertory Hymn

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works thy hand has made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art.  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art.*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart;  
When I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim: my God, how great thou art.

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art.  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art.*

*Stuart K. Hine 1899-1989  
Tune: How great thou art*

## **The Thanksgiving**

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God.

**We take this bread,  
we take this wine  
to follow Christ's example  
and obey his command.**

## **Prayer over the Gifts**

Lord God, accept our gifts:  
the fruit of the earth and work of human hands.  
Teach us to be humble and grateful for the great things you do among us.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

True and living God, the source of life for all creation,  
you have made us in your own image.  
Always and everywhere we give you thanks  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks  
because you make us stewards of your creation  
to praise you day by day  
for the marvels of your wisdom and power.

Therefore, with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven  
we praise your glorious name:

**Holy, holy, holy, holy,  
Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.  
And we lift our hearts before you  
as a token of our love.  
Holy, holy, holy, holy.**

**Gracious Father, gracious Father,  
Blessed is the one who comes to us  
in your name.  
And we lift our hearts before you  
as we give you thanks and praise.  
Hosanna in the highest.**



Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit on  
this bread and wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be for us the body and blood of your Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ;

because on the night he was betrayed  
he took bread,  
and when he had given you thanks,  
he broke it, gave it to his disciples and said,

Take, eat; this is my body  
which is given for you:  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup;  
when he had given you thanks  
he gave it to them and said,  
Drink this, all of you;  
this cup is the new covenant in my blood  
poured out for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins:  
do this as often as you drink it  
in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come in glory.**

Therefore, loving God,  
recalling now the sacrifice of Christ your Son  
once for all upon the cross  
and the triumph of his resurrection,  
we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise.

Send your Holy Spirit on us  
that we may be filled with your life and goodness  
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom  
Unite us in Christ and give us your peace  
that we may do your work and be his body in the world.

Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Silence is kept*

*Please Sit*

Let us pray with confidence to the Father:

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Communion**

*The priest breaks the bread*  
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body  
for we all share in one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.**

## **The Invitation to Holy Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*The sacrament is administered with these words:*

The body of Christ. **Amen.**      The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

*All those who are baptised (Christened) are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Baptised (Christened) children are welcome to receive holy communion at the discretion of their parents.*

*If you are not receiving you are welcome to come forward for a blessing but please bring this leaflet with you as a signal to the priest.*

### **Hymn at the end of Communion**

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
come to him and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
trust in him and you will not thirst.

Jesus Christ, bread of life,  
those who come to you will not hunger.  
Jesus Christ, risen Lord,  
those who trust in you will not thirst.

*Taize Community*

*Silence is kept*

### **The Sending Out**

*Please Stand*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:  
**his love is everlasting.**

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 such reverence for all that you give us  
that will make us wise stewards of the good things we enjoy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Blessing

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

May God our Creator,  
who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the sky,  
bestow upon 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.**

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation  
and bring forth the fruits of the Spirit.  
And so, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Final Hymn

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;  
the winds and waves obey him, by him the birds are fed;  
much more to us his children, he gives our daily bread:

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

Matthias Claudius 1740-1815

Tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell 1817-1878

Tune: Wir Pflügen

CCL No: 961722

## Notices

**Refreshments.** Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

**Praying for Growth.** Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer:

*God of Mission,  
Who alone brings growth to your  
Church,  
Send your Holy Spirit to give  
Vision to our planning,  
Wisdom to our actions,  
Joy to our worship,  
And power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers,  
In spiritual commitment to you,  
And in service to our local community,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**The Community Fridge** takes place every Sunday from 4-5pm at the Parish Church.

**Sunday Sheet.** Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

**Choir Tour.** The Cathedral Choir have been given the amazing opportunity of singing in Finland on a choir tour in May next year. We are raising money to make sure this can happen. For more details, and to donate online, please see the following

link: <https://gofund.me/560aa0db>

If you would like to donate in cash or by cheque, please clearly mark your donations 'Choir Finland' and hand to a member of the cathedral team or pop it in the collection plate or donation box

in the cathedral. If you are able to, please share the Go Fund Me page – from the page on the link above, click 'Share' and you can share on social media or copy the link to send to friends and family. Thank you.

**Mother's Union** on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm. A talk on 'Life at Berwyn' by Revd. Michael Winwood from the Prison Chaplaincy Team. All welcome.

**All Souls Day** is Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. There will be a Requiem Eucharist at the Parish Church on that day at 11am. If you would like departed loved ones remembered by name at that service please add names to the list at the back of the Church/Cathedral. Do come long to remember them on then day.

## The Week Ahead

### 14<sup>th</sup> Monday – Esther John

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Holy Eucharist  
5pm Evening Prayer

### 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Teresa of Avila

9am Morning Prayer  
5pm Evening Prayer  
6pm Holy Eucharist  
7pm Pilgrim *at the Parish Church*

### 16<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Daniel Rowland

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Schools Service *at the Parish Church*  
10.30am Holy Eucharist  
6.15pm Sung Evening Prayer

### **17<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Ignatius**

9am Morning Prayer

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish*

*Church*

10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish*

*Church*

12noon Food4Thought *at the Parish*

*Church*

5pm Evening Prayer

### **18<sup>th</sup> Friday – Luke, Evangelist**

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*)

6pm Choral Evensong

### **19<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Henry Martyn**

9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

### **20<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Trinity 21**

9.30am Parish Eucharist

11am Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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