THE ABBEY CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS PERSHORE



All Age Eucharist

for

Harvest

WE GATHER

Notices and Welcome

Hymn (See separate sheet for all hymns) During which there is a procession of Choir and ministers

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Presentation of gifts

We hold up our harvest gifts and look up to the roof.

Thank you, God, for your goodness that blesses us and the earth. You are generous.

All Thank you, God.

We look around at the congregation and beyond the walls.

Thank you, God, for the people who made this food and those who will share it.

You are generous.

All Thank you, God.

We look down at the ground and the earth beneath.

Thank you, God for this place, this town, this church and for your faithful love over many generations. You are generous.

All Thank you, God.

We come forward and offer our harvest gifts.

Lord God, we are selfish, we are greedy, we are wasteful of all that you have given us. Sometimes we forget to say thank you. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Sometimes we ignore the needs of others. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Sometimes, we just can't be bothered to live your way. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

But we are sorry and ask that you forgive us.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria

Collect for the day

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.

All Amen.

WE LISTEN

Reading(s)

After each reading we respond

For the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

We listen to the Gospel reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Talk

WE RESPOND

We share together as God's family, remembering all that we believe:

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

All We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers

After each section of prayers the following may be said

Lord, hear our prayer,

All please.

The Peace

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace. If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit. The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn

WE CELEBRATE

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

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.

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

You give us the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

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.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood. On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

All 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 for ever.
Amen.

The Breaking of the 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 one bread.

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy. Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

We all share in Communion

Hymn (sung during Communion, please remain seated)

Prayer after Communion

 All We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

WE GO OUT

Hymn

We have celebrated Harvest, brought our gifts, sung our hymns and remembered our God.

As we go into the world, may God help us to live our lives as people of the harvest, to share and to give, to bless and to love, through Jesus Christ, our Friend and Saviour. Amen

Blessing

May God's joy be in our hearts. May God's peace be in our world. May God's love be known between us. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, this day and always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Choir and ministers process out

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