



Parish Church of St. Anne Chingford

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Harvest Festival - 26th September 2021

Informal Eucharist 10.00

Welcomers: Otis Griffin, Rosalind Tatam
Server: Lindsey Archer
Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer
Music: Peter Stannard



HYMN 144 Come ye thankful people come

During this hymn the harvest gifts will be presented

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

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.

Lord, you give justice to those who are suffering and bread to those who hunger.

Lord, have mercy.

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This week

Friday	1st October	10.00 Eucharist
Sunday	3rd October	10.00 Parish Eucharist



if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these.⁹ 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.¹⁰ 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.

HYMN 617 Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer

GOSPEL Matthew 6.25-33

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, 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?²⁶ 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?²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin,²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.³⁰ 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?³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’³² For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.³³ 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.

All Praise to you, O Christ .

REFLECTION

HYMN 338 I watch the sunrise

PRAYER OF FAITH

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 a special way in the creative power of God.

We believe that the resources of land and waters and air are precious gifts from our Creator, to be used and looked after with loving care.



We believe that God entered into creation in Jesus our Saviour and that the beauty of the world is His tender smile.

We believe in the power of the Holy Spirit, to change us, renew us and inspire our responsibility to share the fruits of creation fairly and to care for the earth and all she has brought forth. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to God, the Lord of the harvest,
that he will bring to fruition all that he desires for his creation.

Lord of creation,
we see that the fields are ripe for harvesting:
we pray for your Church,
that it may be ready to gather fruit for eternal life.
Lord of the harvest,
in your mercy hear us.

You have created the universe by your eternal Word,
and have blessed humankind in giving us dominion over the earth:
we pray for the world,
that we may honour and share its resources,
and live in reverence for the creation
and in harmony with one another.
Lord of the harvest,
in your mercy hear us.



Your Son has promised that the Spirit will lead us into all truth:
we pray for the community in which you have set us,
for one another and for ourselves,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace.
Lord of the harvest,
in your mercy hear us.

You have given your people a rich land,
yet by sin we have made a world of suffering and sorrow:
we pray for those who bear the weight of affliction,
that they may come to share the life of wholeness and plenty.
Lord of the harvest,
in your mercy hear us.

Your Son Jesus Christ is the first-fruits of the resurrection and will reap the harvest of the dead at the end of time: we pray that he will gather us all together with those who have gone before in the banquet of the age to come.

Lord of the harvest,

in your mercy hear us.

Source of all life

and giver of all that is good,

hear our prayers and grant us all that is in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE

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

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you.

HYMN 40 Angel-voices ever singing

The gifts are then brought to the table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

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 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.

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.

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



**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.'

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Jesus Christ will come again.

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 St Anne, St Andrew, St Edmund and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Amen.



And now, as Jesus taught us so we pray:

**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**



We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

Though we are many, we are one body, because 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, grant us your Peace.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God; our Lord is coming to us in bread and wine.

Distribution of Holy Communion

Silent prayer of thanksgiving then notices

FINAL BLESSING

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 Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and
remain with you and those you love now and forever. **Amen.**

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

in the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN 801 We plough the fields and scatter

*We do not take a collection at St. Anne's as we have a Free Will Offering scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Free Will Offering** scheme please speak to Andy Crawford, Lindsey Archer or the church wardens .*

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November to January Rotas— The rota for the next quarter will shortly be prepared. Please let Mick know of any dates you will not be available. Additionally if you have not yet returned to the rota after the Pandemic or would like to join a new rota please let Mick know.

Edna Langsdon Memorial Service—As it was not possible for her family or the St Anne's family to attend the funeral there will be a Memorial Service here for Edna on Sunday 10th October at 2.30pm after which her ashes will be interred in the Memorial Garden. There will be a reception in the Church Centre after the service.

Eat or Heat—Our Harvest Festival gifts will be donated to Eat or Heat. The following items are particularly required at this time:
Boxes of Cereal, Canned meat, Canned tomatoes, Canned vegetables (i.e. carrots, peas etc.), Canned dessert,
Long Life milk/Milk Powder, Instant Coffee, Pulses, Kidney Beans, Chick Peas, Sanitary Towels, Tampons.

After Church— We have now restarted going over to the Centre to socialise over coffee (or tea) after the service.

To make this happen we need volunteers to make the tea and coffee. There is a list at the back of church if you could do this on some Sundays.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for September; 1st Christopher Birchnall, 2nd Sheila Bryan, Hilda Scotchmer, 5th Ruth Wood, 6th Patricia Neighbour, 9th Doris Hebbard, Mary Taylor, 14th Alice Hughes, 17th Geoffrey Hebbard, 20th George Bates, 21st Mary Crosby, 22nd Alfred Frye, 24th Christine Ilsley, 29th Melvin Oakes.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them,
may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*