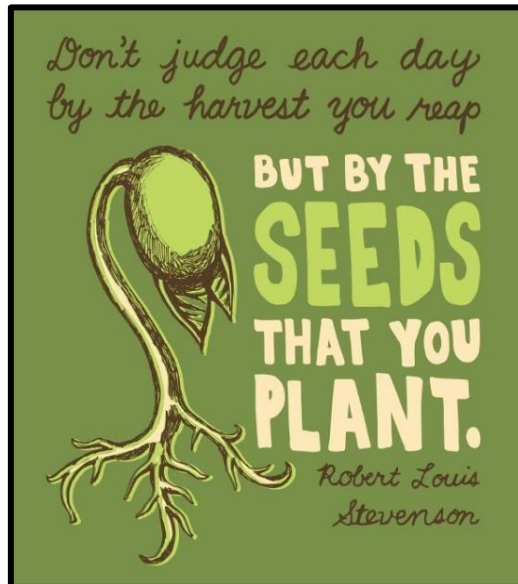


Bolton-le-Sands CE Primary School



**Our annual Harvest Service in support of
Lancaster and District Homeless Action**



If you have kindly brought non-perishable food donations, please bring them forward before the service begins and arrange them at the altar.

OPENING

All stand for the opening hymn.

Hymn

Come, ye thankful people, come

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Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home;
All be 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.

We ourselves are 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:
Grant, O harvest Lord, 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 purge away,
All that doth offend, that day,
Give his angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store
In the garner evermore.

Then, thou Church triumphant, come,
Raise the song of harvest home;
All be safely gathered in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
In God's garner to abide:
Come, ten thousand angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest home!



All stand

Minister In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen

GREETING

Minister The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

OPENING PRAYERS

All are seated.

Minister Loving Creator, you care for the land by sending rain;
you make it fertile and fruitful. What a rich harvest you provide!

All All your creation sings for joy.

Minister When we take care of the land,
sowing the seed and reaping the harvest;

All All your creation sings for joy.

Minister When we keep streams and rivers clean,
we respect the purity of lakes and seas;

All All your creation sings for joy.

Minister When we recognise that we are one family,
brothers and sisters together,
with responsibility for the land and the waters;

**All All your creation sings for joy,
for you bless us abundantly all our days.**

CONFESSION

Minister Harvest makes us aware of how much we have to enjoy, but it
also of how often we fail to take care of the world and those
around us.

Lord God, sometimes we turn our eyes away and forget that
there are wrong things happening in your world.

Lord have mercy

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister Lord God, sometimes we are greedy and buy more than we need, forgetting that there are people who have very little:

All Christ, have mercy.

Minister Lord God, sometimes we are careless and waste the resources in your world:

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour, forgive us our sins and make us holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen

THE COLLECT

Minister 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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit for the reading

FIRST READING Philippians 4:4-9

Reader A reading from Saint Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Be full of joy in the Lord always. I will say again, be full of joy.

Let everyone see that you are gentle and kind. The Lord is coming soon. Do not worry about anything. But pray and ask God for everything you need. And when you pray, always give thanks. And God's peace will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. The peace that God gives is so great that we cannot understand it.

Brothers and sisters, continue to think about the things that are good and worthy of praise. Think about the things that are true and honourable and right and pure and beautiful and respected. And do what you learned and received from me. Do what I told you and what you saw me do. And the God who gives peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

All stand for the Gospel

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *John*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Reader The people found Jesus on the other side of the lake. They asked him, "Teacher, when did you come here?"

Jesus answered, "Are you looking for me because you saw me do miracles? No! I tell you the truth. You are looking for me because you ate the bread and were satisfied. Earthly food spoils and ruins. So don't work to get that kind of food. But work to get the food that stays good always and gives you eternal life. The Son of Man will give you that food. God the Father has shown that he is with the Son of Man."

The people asked Jesus, "What are the things God wants us to do?"

Jesus answered, "The work God wants you to do is this: to believe in the One that God sent."

So the people asked, "What miracle will you do? If we can see a miracle, then we will believe you. What will you do? Our ancestors ate the manna in the desert. This is written in the Scriptures: 'God gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth. Moses was not the one who gave you bread from heaven. But my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. God's bread is the One who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

The people said, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Then Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. The one who comes to me will never be hungry. He who believes in me will never be thirsty."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ.

HARVEST PRESENTATION

All sit as the children of Bolton-le-Sands deliver a presentation.

Song

Cauliflowers Fluffy

© V P Mitchell

Cauliflowers Fluffy and cabbages green
Strawberries are sweeter than any I've seen
Beetroots purple and onions white
All grow steadily day and night!

**The apples are ripe and the plums are red
The broadbeans are sleeping in their blankety bed**

Blackberries are juicy and rhubarbs sour
Marrows fattening hour by hour
Gooseberries hairy and lettuces fat
Radishes round and runner beans flat

Orangy carrots and turnips cream
Reddening tomatoes that used to be green
Brown potatoes in little heaps
Down in the darkness where the celery sleeps.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

All stand as we declare our faith together.

Minister 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.

Minister 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.

Minister 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.

Minister 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

All sit as the children lead us in prayer. At the end of each prayer we all say:

Reader Lord, in your mercy.
All Hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PEACE

Minister 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.

All And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY

During the hymn, a collection plate will be passed around. Please donate in support of our church if you are able to.

Hymn We Plough the Fields and Scatter © M. Claudius

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.

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

We thank thee 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 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.*

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All stand

Priest The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

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.

And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

**All Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth and full
of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Priest We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you;



this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and Resurrection until he comes in glory.

Priest Great is the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died:**
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Priest Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy
will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All sit

Priest As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **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,
and 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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest 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

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

You are warmly invited to receive Holy Communion if you love the Lord Jesus and wish to welcome Him into your heart. Alternatively, you are welcome to come forward for a prayer blessing.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The Priest may lead a prayer after communion.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All **Lord Jesus Christ
We have broken your bread.
We have received your life.
By the power of your Spirit,
keep us always in your love. Amen.**

Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
And he holds us in his hands

He's higher than a skyscraper
And he's deeper than a submarine.
He's wider than the universe
And beyond my wildest dreams.
And he's known me and he's loved me
Since before the world began
How wonderful to be a part of God's amazing plan!

CLOSING PRAYERS

Minister God the Father, who created the world,
give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.

All Amen.

Minister God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as
labourers into his harvest.

All Amen.

Minister God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole of creation,
help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace.

All Amen.

Minister And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit, be among *you* and remain with *you* always.

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

Minister Freely you have received, freely give.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord;

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

