Harvest Communion in Carryduff

Sunday 5th October

Approach

Come, ye thankful people - Hymn 37

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.

**3** For the Lord our God shall come,

and shall take his harvest home;

from his field shall in that day

all offences purge away;

give his angels charge at last

in the fire the tares to cast;

but the fruitful ears to store

in his garner evermore.

**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.

Greeting

Collect for Purity

Introduction

Penitence

... On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

***Lord have mercy on us and write these your laws in our hearts***

Confession

Absolution

Gloria in Excelsis - Please stand

Prayers for Harvest Thanksgiving

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

A reading from Deuteronomy Chapter 26 Beginning at verse 1

Firstfruits and Tithes

26 When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, 2 take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name 3 and say to the priest in office at the time, “I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” 4 The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. 5 Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: “My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. 6 But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labour. 7 Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. 8 So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. 9 He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; 10 and now I bring the firstfruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.” Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. 11 Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you and your household.

This is the word of the Lord Thanks **be to God**

Luke 17: 5-10

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Luke chapter 17beginning at verse 5

***Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

5 The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!”

6 He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you.

7 “Suppose one of you has a servant ploughing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, ‘Come along now and sit down to eat’? 8 Won’t he rather say, ‘Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink’? 9 Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? 10 So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.’”

Sunday Club Begins

Choir: It takes an Almighty hand

Choir: Let the earth resound

Sermon

Great is thy faithfulness - Hymn 80

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,

there is no shadow of turning with thee;

thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not,

as thou hast been, thou for ever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,*

*morning by morning new mercies I see;*

*all I have needed thy hand hath provided,*

*great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2 Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,

sun, moon and stars in their courses above,

join with all nature in manifold witness

to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;

strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

The Nicene Creed - Please stand

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy ***Hear our prayer.***

Merciful Father

***accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son,***

***our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.***

Prayer of Humble Access

The Peace

We plough the fields - Hymn 47

Offertory Hymn

1 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.*

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 fed;

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.

Taking the Bread & Wine

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

Breaking Bread

Invitation

Receiving Communion - Please come forward to receive the bread and wine.

Prayer after Communion

Sending Prayer

Blessing

To God be the Glory - Hymn 373

**1** To God be the glory! Great things he has done!

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son;

who yielded his life an atonement for sin,

and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!*

*Let the earth hear his voice!*

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!*

*O, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son:*

*and give him the glory! Great things he has done!*

**2** O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

to every believer the promise of God;

the vilest offender who truly believes,

that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

**3** Great things he has taught us,

great things he has done,

and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

but purer, and higher, and greater will be

our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

in the name of Christ. Amen.