



WORTHING CHRIST CHURCH

Grafton Road

1st October 2023

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

ORDER OF SERVICE

10.30am Holy Communion - Harvest Sunday

lead by The Venerable Chris Skilton



Evensong this evening at 6pm
will be led by The Revd George Butterworth

Epistle: Philippians 2: 1 - 13 *read by Janine H*

Gospel: Matthew 21: 23 - 32 *read by John H*

Intercessions led by Tony S

*There is prayer in the organ vestry every Sunday
at 10am for 15 minutes before the service, which
you are welcome to join at any time*

The Voluntary after the service will be:

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A Service of Holy Communion

PLEASE PLACE YOUR DONATIONS FOR HARVEST IN
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The Greeting *[Stand]*

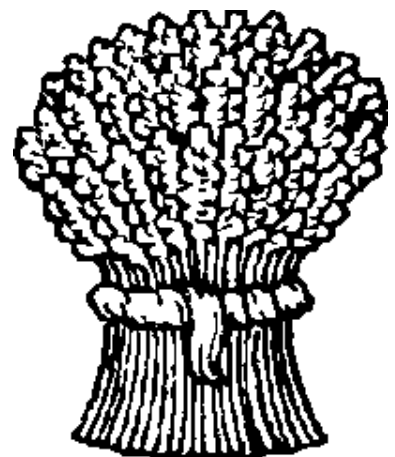
The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

HYMN [270] *[Please stand to sing]*

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!

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
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 doth offend that day;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his 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 for ever purified,
in God's garner to abide;
come, ten thousand angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home!

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Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom
no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence [Sit or kneel]

Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;
and you shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your mind,
and with all your soul, and with all your strength.
This is the first and greatest commandment.
And the second is like, namely this:
You shall love your neighbour as yourself.
There is no other commandment greater than these. On
these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Invitation to confession

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us, forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of
life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis [Stand]

All **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect for Harvest

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season; grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **All Amen.**

A prayer for Peace in the World

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace among nations, and peace in our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**



The Liturgy of the Word

Epistle [Sit] 2 Corinthians 9: 6 – 15

Remember this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written:

‘He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.’

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God’s people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Here ends the Epistle. **All Thanks be to God.**

Worship Song *Please stand to sing*

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them, Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them, whom shall I send? *Refrain*

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Music*

Gospel Reading [Remain standing]

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke [*Luke 17: 11 – 19*]



All sing **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, ‘Jesus, Master, have pity on us!’

When he saw them, he said, ‘Go, show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were cleansed.

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him – and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, ‘Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Was no-one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?’ Then he said to him, ‘Rise and go; your faith has made you well.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All sing **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon [Sit]

A short period of silence is kept.

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Creed *[Stand]*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession [Sit]

And at the end, after a short period of silence

Merciful Father,

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



The Liturgy of the Sacrament [Please stand]

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

We acknowledge each other with a sign of peace

OFFERTORY HYMN [275]

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 wind and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us his children,
he gives our daily bread. *[Refrain]*

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.*

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Preparation of the Table

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in
heaven and on earth is yours.

**All All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**



The Eucharistic Prayer

Please remain standing

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.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and
praise, holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing;

All sing **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. [Sit or Kneel]**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our
Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey
his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these
gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and

gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

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 and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All sing **Christ has died:**

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All sing **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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,
as 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

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

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The words of invitation to 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.

Agnus Dei *is sung*

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.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion

If you would just like to receive a blessing, please carry your order of service with you.

If you prefer to receive communion in your pew, the priest will come to you, please let the churchwarden know you wish to receive communion as he approaches down the aisle.

Post Communion Prayer [Sit or Kneel]

Lord of the Harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom; by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen

All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Final Hymn [250] *[Please stand to sing]*

Choir note vs 2, 4,5 & 6 are omitted from the hymn book

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!*

Thou flowing water pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light: Refrain

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!*

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The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of
God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and
the Holy Spirit rest within you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Our thanks to The Venerable Chris Skilton for leading our service of Holy Communion today

Please see the September/October magazine for details of upcoming services and events in Christ Church.

Please stay for coffee or tea and a chat after the service in Waters' Hall

Please see the September/October magazine for all details of services and events

CHRIST CHURCH Events...

**Rob Campkin & James Buckham, [Violinist & Pianist]
11th October 12.30pm to 1.30pm**

**Cod* and Chip lunch on Saturday 14th October
at 12.30pm.**

**Also available: Sausage and Chips or Veggie Burger and Chips.*

There is a sign-up list at the coffee server in Waters' Hall, please sign your name and preference of meal to be ordered.

Please note the cost is £10 each, to include coffee or tea, please pay the treasurer on 1st or 8th October – non-refundable.

You are welcome to bring your own wine/beer. No spirits!

The 'Inspired Instrumentalists' will perform on 8th November from 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Worship in Christ Church

HOLY COMMUNION

10.30am on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

MORNING PRAYER

10.30am on 2nd & 4th Sundays

BCP HOLY COMMUNION

10.30am on 2nd & 4th Thursdays

EVENSONG

6pm on 1st & 3rd Sundays

BCP Evensong – Service Order

Conducted by The Revd George Butterworth

Hymn 163 [verses 1 & 4]

Confession etc. (*see booklet*)

Responses

Psalm 124 (*see next page*)

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37: 15 - end *Reader: George B*

Canticle – Magnificat (*see attached sheet*)

2nd Reading: 1 John 2: 22 - end *Reader: George B*

Canticle – Nunc Dimittis (*see attached sheet*)

***Creed, Responses, Collects* (*see booklet*)**

Hymn 375

Prayers *led by John B*

Hymn 521

Sermon

Hymn 612

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Voluntary 6 in D (Diapasons - Trumpet & Echo) by
William Goodwin d. 1784, St. Bartholomew, London

***Thank you to The Revd George Butterworth
for our service tonight***