

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.

*We share good news including Birthdays.*

*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.  
**And also with you.**

*Blessing:*

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

*Hymn: 121 Come ye thankful people come.*

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## St Marys Ecclesfield *Harvest Thanksgiving*

*"Following Jesus: Celebrating Life;  
Welcoming All."*

The Lord is here.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

*Notices.*

*Hymn: 26 All things bright & beautiful.*

**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.**

*We hold up the Harvest gifts that we have  
brought.*

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

Thank you, God, for the people who made this  
food and those who will share in it. You are  
generous.  
**Thank you God.**

Thank you, God, for this place, for Ecclesfield, for  
this Church, and for your faithful love over many  
generations. You are generous.  
**Thank you God.**

*The harvest gifts are brought to the altar, during  
this we sing.*

*Hymn: 705 We plough the fields and scatter.*

*Confession:*

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

It is also Autumn, a time when the leaves fall,  
reminding us that we sometimes need to let go of  
things so that new things can happen.  
As we scatter leaves this morning, so we  
remember all the wrong choices we have made,

the things we have not bothered to do, and the things we did on purpose that hurt other people, hurt ourselves and hurt God.

*The children come forward and collect leaves to scatter in front of the altar.*

Jesus came to show us the love and the forgiveness of God. He promises that when we do what is wrong, if we turn to God and say sorry, then His Father will forgive us.

Merciful Father, we confess to you the wrong things we have done,  
**Forgive us, Lord, we are sorry.**

We confess to you the wrong things we have said,  
**Forgive us, Lord, we are sorry.**

We confess to you the wrong things we have thought,  
**Forgive us, Lord, we are sorry.**

And we confess to you the good things we have not done and said and thought,  
**Forgive us, Lord, we are sorry.**

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in His image to the praise and glory of His name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Collect:*

**Creator God, you make all things and give us the earth and the seasons, the rain, the sun and the wind; Make us thankful people with generous hearts, ready to share your goodness and love with all creation; through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen.**

*Hymn: 736 Who put the colours in the rainbow?*

*We listen to a reading from the Bible:*

Matthew 6:25-33.

*A reflection on the reading.*

*We Believe:*

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?

**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?

**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?

**We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

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

*Hymn: 169 For the fruits of His creation.*

*Prayers: Led by a member of the Church.*

Father, you promised that while the earth remains, seed-time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night shall not cease. We offer our Harvest prayers.

Lord of the harvest, who gives us our daily bread, we pray for all who work on farms, in industry, and on the seas. we ask for your blessing on their work so that all may enjoy the fruit of their labour.

Lord of the harvest, **hear our prayer.**

Loving Lord, you have given us such a beautiful world to live in. Help us to respect all animals and to prosper without polluting the earth. Teach us to be gentle with the good earth on which we depend.

Lord of the harvest, **hear our prayer.**

God our creator, make us more thankful for what we have received, more content with what we have, and more generous to others.

Lord of the harvest, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who suffer or are in any kind of need ...

Lord of the harvest, **hear our prayer.**

As our Saviour has taught us so we pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;**