



# St. Peter's Parkstone

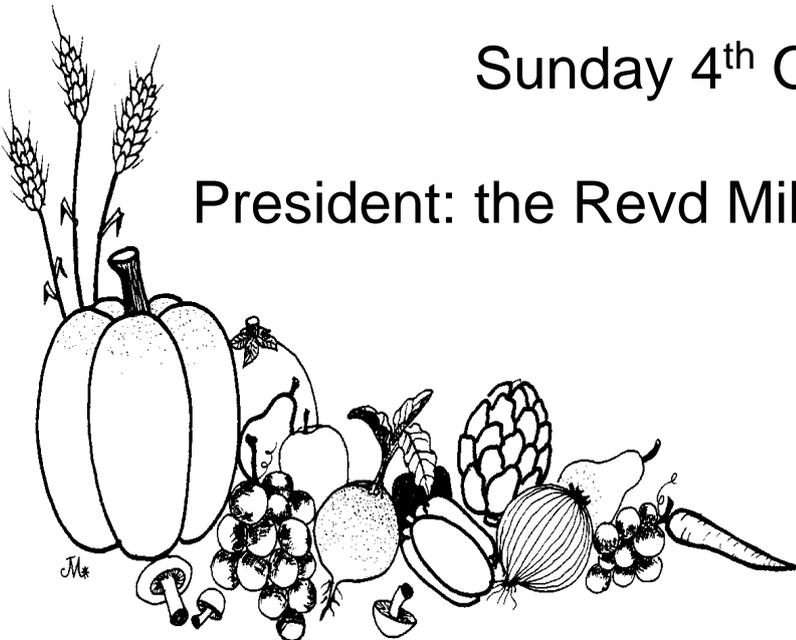
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## All Age Eucharist

giving thanks for the Harvest  
and new beginnings

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2020

President: the Revd Mike Trotman, Rector



*Please take this service sheet home with you*

## **Welcome to St Peter's**

*It is now just a couple of months since we resumed worship in the church building. Please continue to be cautious; maintaining hand hygiene and social distance for the whole time that you are in the building.*

*We are delighted that our choir is gradually returning, but we are still not allowed to join in with the hymns as a congregation so please enjoy the choir's gifts and allow them to sing on your behalf. We continue to refrain from moving about or touching as we pass the peace. Face coverings are now required by all attending worship in the church building. This is a legal requirement unless you have a health exemption. Considering the distance from the congregation and the need to communicate clearly, the sacred ministers will not wear face coverings except at the distribution of Communion. Communion will be offered in one kind only.*

*A collection will not be taken during the service, but there is provision for you to make your offering as you leave the building. Please put your contribution into a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax and be sure to fill in the details on the envelope. That way you'll be able to 'Gift Aid' your contribution and St Peter's will be able to get some money back from the tax man.*

*We now have the facility for you to make donations by contactless payment if you wish to do so. This can be accessed by the north door. You can also make an offering via the 'donate' button on the St Peter's webpage: [www.stpetersparkstone.org.uk](http://www.stpetersparkstone.org.uk). Thank you.*

For enquiries about weddings or baptisms please contact the Revd Mike Trotman, Rector, on 07525 662999.

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## THE GATHERING

*Please stand as the service begins with this hymn, sung by the choir:*

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:

*Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour,  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light: *Refrain.*

For the joy of ear and eye,  
for the heart and brain's delight,  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight: *Refrain.*

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Refrain.*

For each perfect gift of thine,  
to our race so freely given  
graces human and divine,  
flowers of earth and buds of heaven: *Refrain.*

For thy church that evermore  
lifteth holy hands above,  
offering up on every shore  
this pure sacrifice of love: *Refrain.*

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
*All Amen.*

The Lord be with you  
*All* **And also with you.**

The Spirit of God hovered over the water  
*All* **and brought life to all creation.**

Come, Holy Spirit  
*All* **and renew the face of the earth.**

*The President welcomes everyone.*

*We say sorry for the wrong we have done against God, the whole world, and our neighbour.*

As we prepare to celebrate, let us call to mind our sins and the sins of our society in the misuse of God's creation.

God has blessed us, but still God's children go hungry.  
Lord, have mercy.  
*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

God has blessed us, but still the poor cry out for justice.  
Christ, have mercy.  
*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

God has blessed us, but still we see inequality and oppression in the earth. Lord, have mercy.  
*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of Love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*All* **Amen.**

*Glory to God (sung by the choir)*

**Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to the Father.  
To him be glory for ever.  
Alleluia Amen. Alleluia Amen.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Son of the Father.  
To him be glory for ever.  
Alleluia Amen. Alleluia Amen.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to the Spirit.  
To him be glory for ever.  
Alleluia Amen. Alleluia Amen.**

*The President says the Church's special prayer (Collect) for Harvest Festival*

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.*

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*Please remain seated as the choir sing the Gradual Hymn*

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you;  
allelu, alleluia.**

*Alleluia, alleluia,  
Alleluia, allelu, alleluia.*

**You shall not live by bread alone,  
but by ev'ry word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God;  
allelu, alleluia. *Refrain.***

**Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
seek and ye shall find;  
knock, and it shall be opened unto you;  
allelu, alleluia. *Refrain.***

*The Gospel reading, Luke 12:16-31*

The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Then Jesus told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

He said to his disciples, ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*We sit for the Sermon, the Revd Mike Trotman, Rector.*

*We stand to proclaim the Creed.*

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.**

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.**

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.**

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 of Intercession*

*To the bidding*      Lord of the harvest,  
*Please respond*      **Hear our prayer.**

*At the end*

Merciful Father,  
**All Accept these prayers  
for the sake of your son  
our saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

*Today, we welcome Eva Lake to make her first Holy Communion. Eva made her preparation for this back in the spring; then came the Lockdown and our plans had to be put on hold. So as we celebrate Harvest today, we also mark this very special step in Eva's spiritual journey.*

*We stand for the 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.

**All And also with you.**

*All are invited to share a (socially distanced) sign of peace with those around them*

*Bread and wine are placed on the Altar as the choir sing our offertory hymn.*

**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: *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.**

**No gifts have we to offer  
For all thy love imparts,  
But that which thou desirest,  
Our humble, thankful hearts: *Refrain.***

*The President offers this prayer:*

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed,  
by whose love heaven is opened,  
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

**All Blessed be God forever.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

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.**

Q. Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

A. Listen, and we will hear.

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. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

Holy Holy, Holy.

**All Holy Holy Holy.**

God of power and might.

**All God of power and might.**

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

**All Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

**All Hosanna in the highest.**



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**All 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.

Q. Why do we share this bread and wine?

A. Listen, and we will hear.

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.'

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.

Q. How do we follow Jesus Christ?

A. Listen, and we will hear.

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 Blessed Mary, Peter, Osmund and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

**All Amen.**

*Bells are rung as we honour Christ's presence in bread and wine then after a moment's silence we sit or kneel for The Lord's Prayer....*

Let us pray with confidence, as our Saviour taught us  
*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.**

*The President breaks the consecrated 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.**



*The choir sing an arrangement of the Agnus Dei:*

Have mercy on us.

**Have mercy on us. (x3)**

Jesus lamb of God.

**Have mercy on us. (x3)**

Jesus bearer of our sins.

**Have mercy on us. (x3)**

Jesus redeemer of the world.

**Grant us your peace. (x3)**

*The President invites the people to receive 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.**

*All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a Blessing. Due to the restrictions of the Coronovirus pandemic, communion will be given in one kind only. Please respect the distance of at least one metre from others as you come forward, and form one line in the central aisle. Please sanitise your hands before receiving the host. Any visitors who are used to receiving Communion in another Christian Church are welcome to receive Communion here today. If you are not a Communicant you are welcome to come forward for a Blessing. If you'd like to receive a Blessing please bring this service booklet with you. A Blessing will be given maintaining social distance. Our choir sings the following hymn:*

**O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hand has made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.**

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
how great thou art, how great thou art.  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art.*

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze. *Refrain.***

**And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin. *Refrain.***

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart;  
when I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim: my God, how great thou art. *Refrain.***

*After Communion*

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.**

*Announcements are made and Banns of Marriage are called*

**THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*We remain seated as the choir sing our final hymn*

**You shall go out with joy  
and be led forth with peace,  
and the mountains and the hills  
shall break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy  
and the trees of the fields shall clap,  
shall clap their hands.  
And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the fields shall clap their hands,  
and the trees of the fields shall clap their hands,  
and you'll go out with joy.**

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Organ music: Chorale Improvisation on "Now Thank we all our God"  
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