

OOS HC Sunday 4th October 2026 – Harvest Festival

THE GATHERING

Words of welcome or introduction

CALL TO WORSHIP

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

(All) We will worship the Lord with gladness and come into God's presence with song.

Know that it is the Lord God who made us, and we are God's people.

(All) We will enter God's gates with praise and thanksgiving.

Let us give thanks to God this day and bless God's holy name.

(All) Amen

Opening Hymn: #732 We Plough the Fields & Scatter

INVITATION TO CONFESSION – *Please be seated*

The president says

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,
to ask for his forgiveness and peace. Come Holy Spirit

**(All) Lord God, you have provided for us
a creation filled with food and water,
a universe rich with energy and resources,
and charged us to have dominion over all you have created.
But we confess that we have often spoiled your gifts,
we have put material possessions ahead of everything else,
and we have abused the environment you have provided for us.
Forgive us, Lord, and make us better stewards of your creation.
We pray through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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THE ABSOLUTION

The Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All : Amen

COLLECT FOR SUNDAY – Trinity 18 (*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.

THE FIRST READING: Psalm 65 (NRSVUE)

Thanksgiving for Earth's Bounty

To the leader. A Psalm of David. A Song.

- ¹ Praise is due to you,
O God, in Zion,
and to you shall vows be performed,
² O you who answer prayer!
To you all flesh shall come.
³ When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,
you forgive our transgressions.
⁴ Happy are those whom you choose and bring near
to live in your courts.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
your holy temple.
⁵ By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation;
you are the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.
⁶ By your^[a] strength you established the mountains;
you are girded with might.
⁷ You silence the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
the tumult of the peoples.
⁸ Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs;
you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.
⁹ You visit the earth and water it;
you greatly enrich it;
the river of God is full of water;
you provide the people with grain,
for so you have prepared it.
¹⁰ You water its furrows abundantly,
settling its ridges,
softening it with showers,
and blessing its growth.
¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty;
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.
¹² The pastures of the wilderness overflow;
the hills gird themselves with joy;
¹³ the meadows clothe themselves with flocks;
the valleys deck themselves with grain;
they shout and sing together for joy.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING - Luke 17: 11-19 (NRSVUE)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

(All) Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus Cleanses Ten Men with a Skin Disease

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus^[a] was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus’s^[b] feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?” ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

(All) Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON – Reverend Vivian Sockett

THE NICENE CREED – *Please stand if you are able*

**(All) 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 Please be seated – *Led by (?)*

Response at the end of each prayer
(Leader) Lord in your mercy,
(All) hear our prayer

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

THE PEACE – *Please stand if you are able*

As we celebrate God's goodness in creation,
we share his peace with one another in Christ.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
(All) And also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All who have a practice of taking communion are welcome to receive the sacrament.
Please hold out your hands for a wafer.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request as you arrive at the front.
If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and keep your hands crossed across your chest.*

OFFERTORY HYMN: #200 Great is Thy faithfulness

The Prayer of Preparation
Generous and gracious God,
receive and bless these gifts for your holy work;
and bless everyone who offers them to you.
(All) Amen

The Eucharistic Prayer H

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 right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**(All) You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**(All) He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**(All) Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

**(All) Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**(All) As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**(All) Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us, each in our own language.

**(All) Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
your kingdom come;
your will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
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

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

**All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

People come forward for communion

PRAYER 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. Amen.

THE NOTICES

CLOSING HYMN: #506 O Lord My God

THE DISMISSAL

Blessing

May God the Holy Spirit,
who hovered over the waters of creation
and formed the world from chaos,

form you in the likeness of Christ and renew the face of the earth.

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 the peace to love and serve the Lord

(All) In the name of Christ. Amen.