

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH – CROYDON
HARVEST FESTIVAL ALL TOGETHER SERVICE

3rd October 2021

Processional Hymn - 289 Come ye thankful people

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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. **Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Martin
Joel 2:21-27

²¹ Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! ²² Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. ²³ O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. ²⁴ The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵ I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. ²⁶ You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God,

who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

²⁷ You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.

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PSALM FOR THE DAY – 126: 1-7
In convertendo

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion: then were we like unto them that dream.

² Then was our mouth filled with laughter: and our tongue with joy.

³ Then said they among the heathen: The Lord hath done great things for them.

⁴ Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already: whereof we rejoice.

⁵ Turn our captivity, O Lord: as the rivers in the south.

⁶ They that sow in tears: shall reap in joy.

⁷ He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed: shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen

NEW TESTAMENT READING - Nathaniel
1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.



Gradual Hymn – 290 We plough the fields

GOSPEL READING
Matthew 6 : 25-33 - Lilian

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ ³² For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

INTERCESSIONS - Craig

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For the shortage of key workers
- For people going back to work
- For struggling businesses
- For farmers everywhere

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit

John J, Jean, Sarah's mother Feodora and cousin Mathilda, Juliet, Veronica F's friend, Macknes family, Henry, Evonne, Matt, Tabitha's aunt, Brenda, Viv, Stephanie, Cyril & Janet, Minnie, Alexander, Trisha, Cousin Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road & Christopher, Miriam, Denise M, Ernestine, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Enid, Ethel, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Ina, Tony, Noel, Irene, Ron, Avril and all those we know and love

We lift to you Lord, the souls of all who have died of Covid

+May light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

– We pray for all who are mourning

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For emergency workers
- For teachers and classroom assistants
- For our congregation being faithful during our interregnum
- For clergy ministering to us – especially Revd. Andy Dovey here today

Offertory Hymn – HHS 81– Great is Thy Faithfulness

The Hymns during Communion are

**HHS 41 – Fair waved the Golden Corn
112 - God moves in a mysterious way**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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 Prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your
peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so
much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to
eternal life.

**Recessional Hymn - 204 Let us with a
gladsome mind**

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

- Today** **10:00am-11:30am** – Harvest Festival All Together Service – HC +
Revd Andy Dovey Presiding and Preaching
- Tues 5 Oct** **7.30pm-8.30pm** Night Prayer with mindfulness meditation –
Zoom – led by Craig and Christine
- Weds 6 Oct** **10am-10.45am** Holy Communion in Church
- Thurs 7 Oct** **Bible Study restarts**
- Sat 9 Oct** **10am-10.30am Prayers for Healing & Wholeness**
10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms
(Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
- Sun 10 Oct** **10.00am** Holy Communion Service – Trinity 19 – Double Preside
& Preach Team Revd Cannon Jay Colwill & Nelly Misenga
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THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK - chosen by Barbara

“Before the fruits of prosperity can come, the storms of life need to first bring the required rains of testing, which mixes with the seeds of wisdom to produce a mature harvest.”

— Lincoln Patz

“Leaders are farmers; they cultivate human beings by adding values to them till they are fully grown as successful people for harvesting.”

— Israelmore Ayivor, Leaders' Ladder

“Giving is an act of generosity.

Giving is sowing a seed.

The seed will produce great harvest of fruits.”

— Lailah Gifty Akita

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