



Holy Eucharist 7th Sunday after Trinity



Visitors – welcome to our service today

To follow the service today you need this sheet, together with the coloured Holy Eucharist card.

Please ask Fr Chris if you would like a paper or email copy of the sermon to read

We welcome and invite baptised Christians from other denominations to receive Holy Communion at this service.

Please join us for refreshments after the service

If you are glad our church is here, please support us with your generosity in the collection, and by telling others about us.

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Entry of the Ministers

T – St George's Windsor

**Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is 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 as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown
are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant 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 that 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.**

**Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home.**



Readings: God's Word in scripture

Wisdom of Solomon 12, vv13-19

- God judges fairly and kindly – so must we!

Psalm 86, pt

T – Aberystwyth

**Teach me, LORD, your way, that I
from your truth may not depart;
so that I may fear your name,
give me a devoted heart.
Lord, with all my heart I will
praise your name unceasingly.
For your love to me is great;
from the grave you rescued me.**

**Arrogant foes attack me;
ruthless pursuers of strife,
who have no regard for God,
seek to take away my life.
But, Lord, you are merciful,
God of grace and tenderness,
slow to anger, rich in love
and in covenant faithfulness.**

**Turn your face towards me, Lord,
and to me compassion show.
Give me strength and save my life;
on your servant grace bestow.
Grant a sign of favour, LORD,
which my enemies may see;
then they will be put to shame,
for you help and comfort me.**

Romans 8, vv12-25

- God's Spirit testifies with our spirit: we are God's children

Gospel greeting:

T – Alleluia give thanks

**Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, pay heed to His Word.**

**Christ sows the good seed of His word:
angels will harvest in righteousness.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, pay heed to His word.**

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew (13, vv24-30, 36-43)
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Parable of the Wheat and Weeds

After the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, pay heed to His word.**

Sermon - Creed - Intercessions

Preparing of the gifts

T – St George (SM)

**A farmer in a field
sowed good and healthy seeds.
But in the cover of the night,
somebody planted weeds.**

**The wheat grew tall and strong,
but thistles flourished, too.
The workers saw the mix of them
and wondered what to do.**

**The farmer wisely said,
"They'll grow as one today,
But when we harvest all the wheat,
we'll throw the weeds away."**

**O Lord, we want to know
why evil prospers here —
Why, next to love and justice,
grow such hatred, pride and fear.**

**God, may we humbly see
the harvest still is yours;
And one day we'll be blessed to find
that love is what endures.**

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At the Sending Out

T – Forest Green

**Almighty God, Your Word is cast
Like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of Heav'n descend,
And righteous fruits abound.
Let not the foe of Christ and man
This holy seed remove,
But give it root in ev'ry heart
To bring forth fruits of love.**

**Let not the world's deceitful cares
The rising plant destroy.
But let it yield a hundredfold
The fruits of peace and joy.
Nor let Your Word so kindly sent
To raise us to Your throne
Return to You, and sadly tell
That we reject Your Son.**

**Oft as the precious seed is sown,
Your quick'ning grace bestow,
That all whose souls the truth receive,
Its saving power may know.
Great God, come down and on Your Word
Your mighty power bestow,
That all who hear the joyful sound,
Your saving grace may know.**