

## 251005 Harvest Thanksgiving

### **Collect**

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.

### **Deuteronomy 26.1-11**

#### *First Fruits and Tithes*

26When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, <sup>2</sup>you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. <sup>3</sup>You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' <sup>4</sup>When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, <sup>5</sup>you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. <sup>6</sup>When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, <sup>7</sup>we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. <sup>8</sup>The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; <sup>9</sup>and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup>So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup>Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

### **Psalms 100**

#### *All Lands Summoned to Praise God*

A Psalm of thanksgiving.

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.

<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

<sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good;  
his steadfast love endures for ever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

## **Philippians 4.4-9**

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

## **Revelation 14.14-18**

### *Reaping the Earth's Harvest*

14 Then I looked, and there was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one like the Son of Man, with a golden crown on his head, and a sharp sickle in his hand! <sup>15</sup>Another angel came out of the temple, calling with a loud voice to the one who sat on the cloud, 'Use your sickle and reap, for the hour to reap has come, because the harvest of the earth is fully ripe.' <sup>16</sup>So the one who sat on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and the earth was reaped. 17 Then another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. <sup>18</sup>Then another angel came out from the altar, the angel who has authority over fire, and he called with a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, 'Use your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for its grapes are ripe.'

## **John 6.25-35**

25 When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?' <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' <sup>34</sup>They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

35 Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

## **Cycle of Prayer**

### **Our Bishops**

David, Mark and Matthew

### **The Anglican Communion**

The Anglican Church of Tanzania

### **The Porvoo Communion**

Church of England: Diocese of Liverpool:

Church in Wales: Diocese of Monmouth

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Haderslev.

### **Schools and Colleges**

All Saints, St Wilfrid's, Briscoe Lane,

Christ the King, Oldham Bluecoat, Trinity High School, Co-op Academy Broadhurst; Loreto College; Bowdoin College, Maine; Churchill College Cambridge; Coventry University; Edge Hill University; Leeds University.

**Streets**

Rossington Street, Rothman Close, Rupert Street, Rutham Street, Saint Alban's Avenue, Scotland Hall Road.

**Book of Remembrance**

William Meuse; Evelyn Cashian; Robert Jackson; George Clarke; Emma Fenton; William McGuinness; James McCall.

**Post 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.

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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.

**2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c**

*The Healing of Naaman*

5Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.'

8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

15 Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant.'

**Psalm 111**

*Praise for God's Wonderful Works*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!  
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.  
<sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD,  
studied by all who delight in them.  
<sup>3</sup>Full of honour and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures for ever.

<sup>4</sup>He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;  
the LORD is gracious and merciful.  
<sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.  
<sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the heritage of the nations.  
<sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy.  
<sup>8</sup>They are established for ever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.  
<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant for ever.  
Holy and awesome is his name.  
<sup>10</sup>The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practise it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures for ever.

## **2 Timothy 2.8-15**

8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel,  
<sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word  
of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they  
may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure:  
If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  
<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he will also deny us;  
<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—  
for he cannot deny himself.

### *A Worker Approved by God*

14 Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over  
words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present  
yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly  
explaining the word of truth.

## **Luke 17.11-19**

### *Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers*

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

## **Cycle of Prayer**

### **Our Bishops**

David, Mark and Matthew

### **The Anglican Communion**

The Church of the Province of Uganda

### **The Porvoo Communion**

The Church of Norway: Diocese of Tönsberg  
The Church of England: Diocese of Truro  
The Church of Sweden: Diocese of Strängnäs

**Schools and Colleges**

All Saints, St Wilfrid's, Briscoe Lane,  
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Bowdoin College, Maine; Churchill College Cambridge; Coventry University; Edge Hill University;  
Leeds University.

**Streets**

Scotland Street, Seabrook Road, Shackleton Court, Shaldon Drive, Silverstone Drive, Silverwell.

**Book of Remembrance**

Alice Evans; Richard Saville; James Freeman; Ernest Yoxhall; Anthony Dennister; Brenda Worsfold;  
John Wilson; Thomas Harper; Edna Simpson; Annie Clark; Thomas Hatch; Eva Dodd; Ada  
Shufflebottom.

**Post Communion**

Lord, we pray that your grace, may always precede and follow us,  
and make us continually to be given to all good works;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
increase in us your gift of faith  
that, forsaking what lies behind  
and reaching out to that which is before,  
we may run the way of your commandments  
and win the crown of everlasting joy;  
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.

**Genesis 32.22-31**

*Jacob Wrestles at Peniel*

22 The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' <sup>31</sup>The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

**Psalms 121**

*Assurance of God's Protection*

A Song of Ascents.

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills—  
from where will my help come?  
<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.  
<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.  
<sup>4</sup>He who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.  
<sup>5</sup>The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.  
<sup>6</sup>The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.  
<sup>7</sup>The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.  
<sup>8</sup>The LORD will keep  
your going out and your coming in  
from this time on and for evermore.

## **2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5**

<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

## **Luke 18.1-8**

### *The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge*

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

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The Episcopal Church (of the United States)

### **The Porvoo Communion**

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Leeds University.

### **Streets**

Skilgate Walk, Southgate Avenue, Sparth Road, St. Anne's Street, St. Mary's Road, Stanley Street.

### **Book of Remembrance**

Irene Prince; Graham Thomas; John Taylor; Guy Lily; Eric Hitchen; Alice Crompton.

### **Post Communion**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:

for here we receive you,

here the memory of your passion is renewed,

here our minds are filled with grace,

and here a pledge of future glory is given,



when we shall feast at that table where you reign  
with all your saints for ever.

**Collect**

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Isaiah 45.22-25**

<sup>22</sup> Turn to me and be saved,  
all the ends of the earth!  
For I am God, and there is no other.  
<sup>23</sup> By myself I have sworn,  
from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness  
a word that shall not return:  
'To me every knee shall bow,  
every tongue shall swear.'  
<sup>24</sup> Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me,  
are righteousness and strength;  
all who were incensed against him  
shall come to him and be ashamed.  
<sup>25</sup> In the LORD all the offspring of Israel  
shall triumph and glory.

**Psalms 119.129-136**

<sup>129</sup> Your decrees are wonderful;  
therefore my soul keeps them.  
<sup>130</sup> The unfolding of your words gives light;  
it imparts understanding to the simple.  
<sup>131</sup> With open mouth I pant,  
because I long for your commandments.  
<sup>132</sup> Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
as is your custom towards those who love your name.  
<sup>133</sup> Keep my steps steady according to your promise,  
and never let iniquity have dominion over me.  
<sup>134</sup> Redeem me from human oppression,  
that I may keep your precepts.  
<sup>135</sup> Make your face shine upon your servant,  
and teach me your statutes.  
<sup>136</sup> My eyes shed streams of tears  
because your law is not kept.

**Romans 15.1-6**

We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

<sup>2</sup> Let every one of us please his neighbour for his good to edification.

<sup>3</sup> For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me. <sup>4</sup> For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

<sup>5</sup> Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

<sup>6</sup> That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Luke 4.16-24**

<sup>16</sup>And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

<sup>17</sup>And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

<sup>18</sup>The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

<sup>19</sup>To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

<sup>20</sup>And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

<sup>21</sup>And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

<sup>22</sup>And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

<sup>23</sup>And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.

<sup>24</sup>And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country

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The Church in Wales

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Leeds University.

### **Streets**

Stansfield Street, Staplehurst Road, Starcross Walk, Sunberry Drive, Surbiton Road, Swift Walk.

### **Book of Remembrance**

Walter Davies; Keith Beswick; Harold Taylor; Robin Hesketh; Margaret Price; Mary Lancashire;

Charlotte Gosling; Margaret Saville; Dinah Jarvis.

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;  
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.

**Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18**

*Visions of the Four Beasts*

7In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup>I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup>and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

*Daniel's Visions Interpreted*

15 As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup>I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup>'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup>But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

**Psalms 149**

*Praise for God's Goodness to Israel*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!

Sing to the LORD a new song,  
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel be glad in its Maker;  
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

<sup>3</sup>Let them praise his name with dancing,  
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

<sup>4</sup>For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;  
he adorns the humble with victory.

<sup>5</sup>Let the faithful exult in glory;  
let them sing for joy on their couches.

<sup>6</sup>Let the high praises of God be in their throats  
and two-edged swords in their hands,

<sup>7</sup>to execute vengeance on the nations  
and punishment on the peoples,

<sup>8</sup>to bind their kings with fetters  
and their nobles with chains of iron,

<sup>9</sup>to execute on them the judgement decreed.

This is glory for all his faithful ones.

Praise the LORD!

### **Ephesians 1.11-23**

<sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

#### *Paul's Prayer*

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

### **Luke 6.20-31**

#### *Blessings and Woes*

<sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup> 'Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup> 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> 'But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> 'Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. **Love for Enemies**

<sup>27</sup> 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you.

## **Cycle of Prayer**

### **Our Bishops**

David, Mark and Matthew

### **The Anglican Communion**

The Church of the Province of West Africa

### **The Porvoo Communion**

The Church of England: Diocese of Winchester

The Church of Norway: Diocese of Agder and Telemark

### **Schools and Colleges**

All Saints, St Wilfrid's, Briscoe Lane,

Christ the King, Oldham Bluecoat, Trinity High School, Co-op Academy Broadhurst; Loreto College;

Bowdoin College, Maine; Churchill College Cambridge; Coventry University; Edge Hill University;

Leeds University.

### **Streets**

Tandlewood Mews, Ten Acres Lane, Terence Street, Tetlow Street, Thaxmead Drive, Thompson Street.

### **Book of Remembrance**

Dorothy Shields; Frederick Foster; Alan Whittaker; Francis Bennison Dean; Frances Siddall; James Langton; Winifred Hocking; Lillian Linehan; Edith Boulter; Clifford Hodgson; Mary Johnson;

### **Post Communion**

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:

may we who have shared at this table

as strangers and pilgrims here on earth

be welcomed with all your saints

to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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