

Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn – MP 557 - Praise God

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Hymn - MP 106 - Come you

1. Come, you thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home!
Fruit and crops are gathered in
safe before the storms begin:
God our maker will provide
for our needs to be supplied;
come, with all His people, come,
raise the song of harvest home!
2. All the world Is God's own field,
harvests for His praise to yield;
wheat and weeds together sown
here for 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.
3. For the Lord our God shall come
and shall bring the harvest home;
He Himself on that great day,
worthless things shall take away,
give His angels charge at last
in the fire the weeds to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in His care for evermore.
4. Even so, Lord, quickly come -
bring Your final harvest home!
Gather all Your people in
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there together purified,
ever thankful at Your side -
come, with all Your angels, come,
bring that glorious harvest home!

Scripture Reading (NIV) – Deuteronomy 26:1–11 - ¹ When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, ² take some of the first fruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name ³ and say to the priest in office at the time, "I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴ The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. ⁵ Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: "My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. ⁶ But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labour. ⁷ Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. ⁸ So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. ⁹ He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk

and honey; ¹⁰ and now I bring the first fruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. ¹¹ Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you and your household.

Scripture Reading (NIV) – Psalm 65:9–13 - ⁹ You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it. ¹⁰ You drench its furrows and level its ridges; you soften it with showers and bless its crops. ¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance. ¹² The grasslands of the wilderness overflow; the hills are clothed with gladness. ¹³ The meadows are covered with flocks and the valleys are mantled with grain; they shout for joy and sing.

Hymn - MP 23 - All things

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*

1. Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.
*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all*
2. The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky;
*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*
3. The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one.
*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*
4. He gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God almighty,
who has made all things well.
*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*

Prayer

Sermon

Prayer

(Continued overleaf)

Hymn - MP 786 - Yes God is good

1. Yes, God is good - in earth and sky,
from ocean's depths and spreading wood,
ten thousand voices seem to cry,
'God made us all, and God is good'.
2. The sun that keeps his trackless way,
and downward pours his golden flood,
night's sparkling hosts, all seem to say,
in accents clear, that God is good.
3. The joyful birds prolong the strain,
their song with every spring renewed;
the air we breathe, and falling rain,
each softly whispers, 'God is good'.
4. I hear it in the rushing breeze;
the hills that have for ages stood,
the echoing sky and roaring seas,
all swell the chorus: 'God is good'.
5. Yes, God is good, all nature says,
by God's own hand with speech endued;
and man, in louder notes of praise,
should sing for joy that God is good.
6. For all Your gifts we bless You, Lord,
but chiefly for our heavenly food;
Your pardoning grace, Your quickening word,
these prompt our song that God is good.

Dedication of the Offering

Hymn - MP 732 - We plough the fields

1. 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.
2. He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star;
the wind and waves obey Him,
by Him the birds are fed;
much more to us, His children,
He gives our daily bread.
All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all His love.

3. We thank You then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all Your love imparts;
we come now, Lord, to give You
our humble, thankful hearts.
All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all His love.

Benediction & Amen

Hymn - MP 460 - May God's Blessing surround you

- May God's blessing surround you each day,
as you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.