



**Richmond
Team Ministry**



Sung Eucharist

11:00am

Harvest Thanksgiving

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WELCOME to St John's this morning as we keep Harvest
Thanksgiving!



Today we gather to celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving: a time of joy, gratitude, and remembrance. We give thanks to God, the source of all creation, for the fruits of the earth and the labours of human hands. We remember those who work to provide our food, and we pray for all who hunger or live in poverty.

As we bring our offerings, we renew our calling to share God's abundance with others. In word, song, and sacrament, may our worship give glory to God and strengthen us to live generously in Christ's service.

We change our Mass Setting today to James MacMillan's *Mass of St Anne* and our Gloria is to the tune of *Ode to Joy*.

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please do 'follow' us on Facebook: St John the Divine, Richmond Team
Ministry.***

The clergy in the Richmond Team Ministry are always happy to meet for pastoral conversations about faith or to offer spiritual counsel. If you would like to speak with a member of the clergy, do be in touch directly or through the RTM Parish Office.

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Prelude

from *Vesper Voluntaries* Edward Elgar

Please stand to sing the **Introit Hymn** when the bell rings.

**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 winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.**

**3 We thank thee 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 thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.**

Wir pflügen und wir streuen

MATTHIAS CLAUDIUS (1740–1815)

translated by JANE MONTGOMERY CAMPBELL (1817–1878) A&M 290

The Gathering

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Greeting

Joe greets the people.

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Joe introduces our worship.

Blessing of the Harvest Offering

Generous God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, we present you our Harvest gifts, symbols of the work you have given us to do; bless this offering, use it and use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name, who is Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of life. **Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

Friends, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour; in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

The Kyrie is sung:

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Joe says:

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gloria

**Glory be to God in heaven;
peace goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation,
Father of surpassing worth:
We exalt you, we adore you,
we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you;
here on earth our songs we raise.**

**Glory be to Christ forever,
Lamb of God and Lord of Love.
Son of God and gracious Saviour,
you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us;
now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us;
in your promise firm we stand.**

**Holy One we now acclaim you;
Lord, alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you,
God most high, yet near to all:
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,
in the Father's splendour bright.
For the peace that we inherit,
glory be to God on high!**

(Tune: Ode to Joy)

The Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit for the readings and the psalm.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis (9:8-17).

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100

*The Psalm appointed for the day is led by the choir, and the congregation are invited to join in with the sung **Response**.*

Response: O be joyful in the Lord, O be joyful, all the earth.

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song. **R**
- 2 Know that the Lord is God;
it is he that has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. **R**
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and bless his name. **R**
- 4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **R**

Second Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to Timothy (2:1-7).

'All things are lawful', but not all things are beneficial. 'All things are lawful', but not all things build up. Do not seek your own advantage, but that of others. Eat whatever is sold in the meat market without raising any question on the ground of conscience, for 'the earth and its fullness are the Lord's.' If an unbeliever invites you to a meal and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you without raising any question on the ground of conscience. But if someone says to you, 'This has been offered in sacrifice', then do not eat it, out of consideration for the one who informed you, and for the sake of conscience—I mean the other's conscience, not your own. For why should my liberty be subject to the judgement of someone else's conscience? If I partake with thankfulness, why should I be denounced because of that for which I give thanks? So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

We stand to sing the **Gradual Hymn**

**I Praise and thanksgiving,
Father, we offer,
for all things living
thou madest good;
harvest of sown fields,
fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields,
blossom and wood.**

**2 Bless thou the labour
we bring to serve thee,
that with our neighbour
we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling,
we would work with thee;
harvesting, milling
for daily bread.**

**3 Father, providing
food for thy children,
thy wisdom guiding
teaches us share
one with another,
so that rejoicing
with us, our brother
may know thy care.**

**4 Then will thy blessing
reach every people;
freely confessing
thy gracious hand.
Where thy will reigneth
no one will hunger:
thy love sustaineth;
fruitful the land.**

ALBERT FREDERICK BAYLY (1901–1984)
A&M 287

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**
A seasonal sentence is sung.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (5.43-48). **Glory to you, O Lord.**

‘You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.” But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Please sit.

The Creed

Please stand.

**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 sit or kneel for the prayers of intercession.

These or other responses may be used.

Either: Lord, in your mercy *or:* Lord, hear us.

Hear our prayer.

Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand.

Joe introduces the Peace.

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

The peace of Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

We greet each other with a sign of peace, and then sing the **Offertory Hymn**

**1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice;
ye lights of evening, find a voice:**

**3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire, so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light:**

**4 Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show:**

**7 Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:**

WILLIAM HENRY DRAPER (1855–1933)*

based on ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI (1182–1226) A&M 532 (omitting verses 5&6)

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Preparation of the Altar

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

The words of the Eucharistic Prayer are said mainly by the priest, although they are prayed by the whole congregation. You may find it helpful to your prayer to look and listen as the presiding priest leads us in this part of our worship. We pray with our eyes as well as our ears.

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now united on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and proclaim your praise:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

Please sit or kneel.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died, he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:

***When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, O Lord,
until you come in glory.***

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, John the Divine, Matthias, Mary Magdalene, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours,
O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And 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

Joe breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Agnus Dei is sung.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of Holy Communion

Joe says:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Baptised members of all Christian traditions are welcome to receive Communion here today. Everyone is invited to come to the altar rail for a blessing if you do not wish to receive Communion.

During the distribution of Holy Communion the choir sing:
God that madest earth and heaven (arr. David Thorne)

Prayer after Holy Communion

Let us pray.

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and 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

Information about our life together is shared.

The Dismissal

We stand to sing the **Post Communion Hymn**

**1 Now thank we all our God
with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.**

**2 O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.**

**3 All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.**

MARTIN RINKART (1586–1649)

translated by CATHERINE WINKWORTH (1827–1878) A&M 739i

The Blessing

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

May God our creator, who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air, bestow on you his care and increase the harvest of your righteousness; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Freely you have received, freely give.
Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

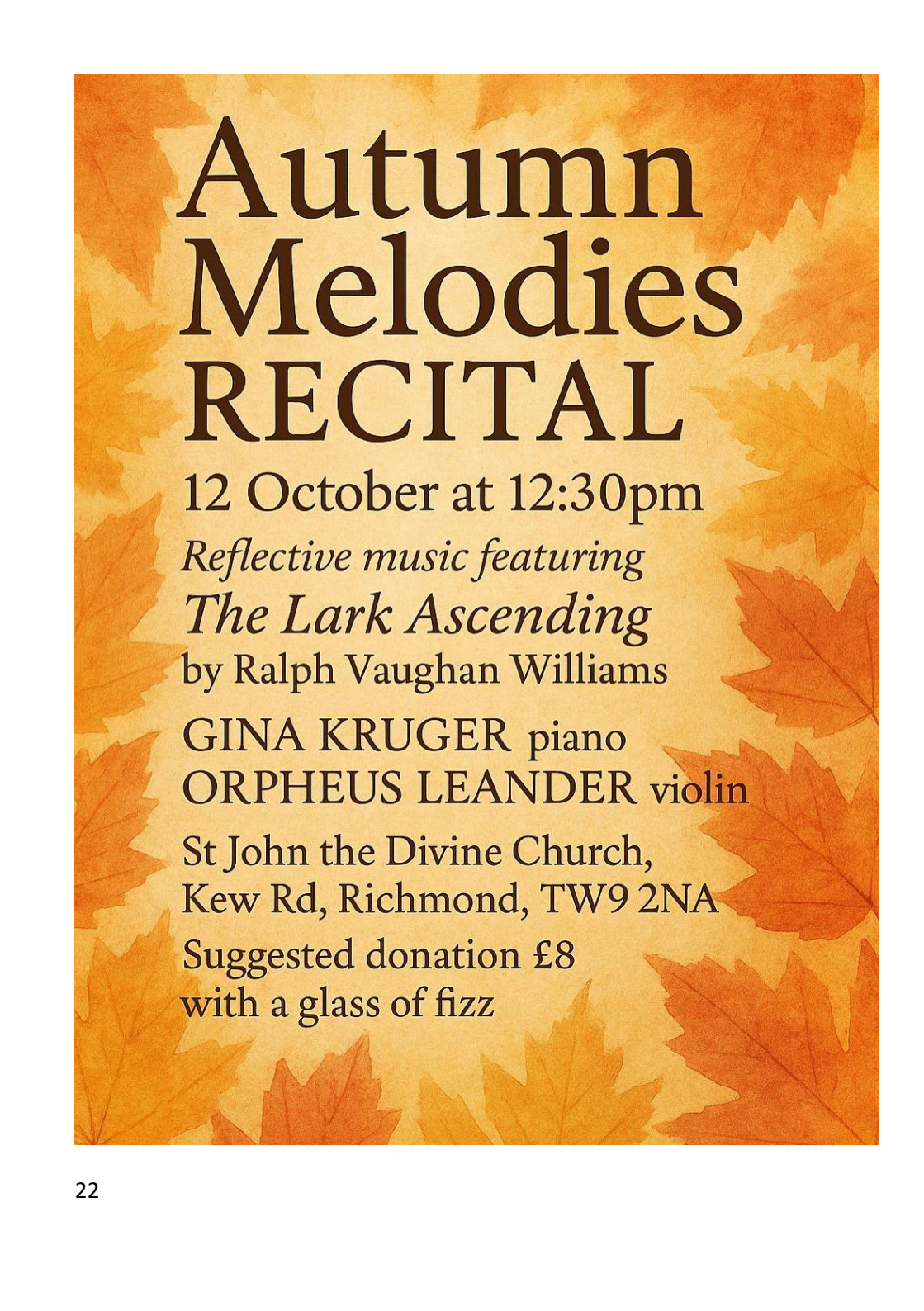
Postlude

Allegro from Sonata in F
Felix Mendelssohn

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AFTER THE SERVICE!**

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6:30pm**

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7:00pm**



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