Livingstone Parish Church Sunday 10th September 2023 Rev. Ross Mitchell Harvest Thanksgiving

Hymn 1 CH4 137

All things bright and beautiful,

all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

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...

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky:

All things bright and beautiful...

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...

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...

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Hymn 2

Cabbages and greens,

Broccoli and beans,
Cauliflower and roasted potatoes,
Taste so good to me!
Apricots and plums,
Ripened in the sun,
Oranges and yellow bananas:
Good for everyone!

It's another Harvest Festival
When we bring our fruit and vegetables,
Cause we want to share the best of all
The good things that we've been given.
It's another opportunity,
To be grateful for the food we eat
With a Samba celebration to say
'Thank you' to God the Father.

Golden corn and wheat,
Oats and sugar beet,
Fluffy rice and tasty spaghetti,
Wonderful to eat!
Coffee, cocoa, tea,
Growing naturally,
Herbal plants and all kinds of spices:
Very nice indeed!

It's another Harvest Festival...

Thank you for the harvest,
Thank you for your goodness,
For all of the fruit and vegetables
And the wonderful things that grow.
Thank you for the harvest,
Thank you for your goodness,
For all of the fruit and vegetables
and the wonderful things that grow!

Cabbages and greens, *or* Thank you for the harvest,

It's another Harvest Festival...

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Hymn 3

CH4 229

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 heav'n above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.

He only is the Maker of all things near and far; he paints the wayside flower, he lights the evening star; the winds and rain obey him, by him the birds are fed; much more to us, his children, he gives our daily bread.

All good gifts...

We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. No gifts we have to offer for all thy love imparts, but that which thou desirest: our humble, thankful hearts. All good gifts...

Matthias Claudius (1740-1815) translated *Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)

Hymn 4 CH4 181

For the beauty of the earth,

for the beauty of the skies for the love which from our birth over and around us lies: Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: *Christ, our God...*

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: *Christ, our God...*

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Christ, our God...*

For each perfect gift and sign of your love so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven: *Christ, our God...*

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (1835-1917)

Hymn 5 CH4 153

Great is Thy faithfulness,

O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions they fail not,
as Thou hast been
Thou for ever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
new mercies I see;
all I have needed
Thy hand hath provided great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Great is Thy faithfulness...

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Great is thy faithfulness...

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)

Exeunt (Sing Twice)

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you,

wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

Celtic Daily Prayer

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