



**The Parish of Abbeydale and Millhouses  
St John the Evangelist and Holy Trinity**



# **Communion**

## Welcome

Leader The earth is the Lord's  
All **and all that is in it.**

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
All **whose goodness endures for ever.**

*Kneel or sit*

Leader We confess our sin, and the sins of our society,  
in the misuse of God's creation:

God our Father, we are sorry  
for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly,  
and acted as though we were not grateful.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:  
All **forgive us and help us.**

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,  
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.  
Father, in your mercy:

All **forgive us and help us.**

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,  
but ignore the cry of the hungry.  
Father, in your mercy:

All **forgive us and help us.**

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world  
you have made.

Father, in your mercy:  
All **forgive us and help us.**

Some of us store up goods for ourselves alone,  
as if there were no God and no heaven.

Father, in your mercy:  
All **forgive us and help us.**

Priest      The Lord enrich you with his grace,  
                 and nourish you with his blessing;  
                 the Lord defend you in trouble  
                 and keep you from all evil;  
                 and absolve you from your offences,  
                 for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

## **A Collect for Harvest**

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. **Amen.**

## **Liturgy of the Word**

### **First Reading**

*At the end the reader may say*  
This is the word of the Lord.  
All **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia.  
Lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are ripe for harvesting.  
Gather the fruit for eternal life.  
All **Alleluia.**

### **Sermon**

*Stand*     **Affirmation**

Leader     We give thanks to God for all his gifts to us;

For birth and life and strength of body,  
for safety and shelter and food:  
we give you thanks.

All     **We praise your holy name.**

For sight and hearing and the beauty of nature  
for words and music and the power of thought:  
we give you thanks.

All     **We praise your holy name.**

For work and leisure and the joy of achieving,  
for conscience and will and depth of feeling:  
we give you thanks.

All     **We praise your holy name.**

For grace and truth in Jesus Christ,  
for the gifts of the Spirit and the hope of heaven:  
we give you thanks.

All     **We praise your holy name.**

All     **We shall not forget  
that you are our God  
and we are your people,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Prayers**

*The prayers include the response:*

Lord of the harvest,  
**in your mercy hear us.**

*At the end:*

Source of all life  
and giver of all that is good,  
hear our prayers and grant us all that is in accordance  
with your will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Stand*     **The Peace**

Priest     Peace makers who sow in peace raise a harvest of  
              righteousness.

All         The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Priest     Blessed are you,  
              Lord, God of all creation;  
              you bring forth bread from the earth.

All         **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest     Blessed are you,  
              Lord, God of all creation;  
              you create the fruit of the vine.

All         **Blessed be God for ever.**

Kneel or sit

Priest     The Lord be with you

All         **and also with you.**

Priest     Lift up your hearts

All         **we lift them to the Lord.**

Priest     Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All         **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Priest     It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
              in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

All **You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

Priest In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

All **He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Priest On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
His body is the bread of life.**

Priest At the end of the supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

Priest As we proclaim his death and celebrate his  
rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All **As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Priest With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven;

All           **Holy, holy, holy Lord.  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Priest       As our Saviour taught us, so we pray,  
All           **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

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

All           **Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.**

All           **Jesus Christ is holy  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*Kneel/  
Sit*      A Post Communion Prayer for Harvest

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. **Amen.**

All      **Creator God**  
**you give seed for us to sow,**  
**and bread for us to eat;**  
**make us thankful for what we have received;**  
**make us able to do those generous things**  
**which supply your people's needs;**  
**so all the world may give you thanks and glory. Amen.**

Priest      God the Father, who created the world,  
give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.  
All      **Amen.**

All      God the Son, who redeemed the world,  
inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest.  
**Amen.**

All      God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole of creation,  
help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace.  
**Amen.**

And the blessing ...

All      Freely you have received, freely give.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**