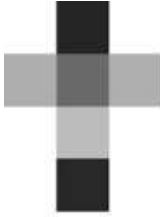


Welcome to the



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**Bible Readings for the coming week**

Monday, Sept 30: Psalm 119:49-56; Jeremiah 32:16-35; Revelation 3:14-22

Tuesday, Oct 1: Psalm 119:49-56; Jeremiah 32:36-44; James 5:1-6

Wednesday, Oct 2: Psalm 119:49-56; Jeremiah 33:1-13; Matthew 19:16-22

Thursday, Oct 3: Lamentations 3:19-26; Jeremiah 52:1-11; Revelation 2:8-11

Friday, Oct 4: Lamentations 3:19-26; Jeremiah 52:12-30; Revelation 2:12-29

Saturday, Oct 5: Lamentations 3:19-26; Lamentations 1:7-15; Matt 20:29-34

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**Order of Service**

**For Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

and

**Harvest Thanksgiving**



## **Sunday 29 September 2019: Stewardship of Creation Harvest Thanksgiving**

Call to Worship - (congregational responses **in bold**)

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

**Out of the mouths of babes and infants**

**you have founded a bulwark because of your foes  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.**

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers  
the moon and the stars that you have established;  
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?

**Yet you have made them a little lower than God,  
and crowned them with glory and honour.**

**You have given them dominion over  
the works of your hands;**

**you have put all things under their feet,**

**all sheep and oxen and also the beasts of the field,**

**the birds of the air and the fish of the sea,**

**whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Welcome & Prayer of Thanksgiving & Approach

**Hymn 231 For the fruits of all creation**

(Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos, No.562)

Children's Message

**Hymn There are trees and there are flowers** (SSS2014 –  
no 85)

There are trees and there are flowers

There is sunshine and there are showers

There are millions of things around us

in the world that our God made.

And He cares for each little sparrow  
and He cares for each daisy too.  
Our God cares for everything,

including me and you  
and you and you and you.

Our God cares for everything,  
including me and you.

Presentation  
of our  
Harvest Thanksgiving Gifts  
(to be auctioned for Church funds)

Blessing on the Children

**Joyful Singers**

**We thank you father for the harvest of this season 2x**

**Father**

**Father of harvest**

**Giver of blessings**

**We thank you father for harvest of this season**

Prayer of Confession – ending with The Lord's Prayer

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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

### **Hymn 240 God in such love for us lent us this planet**

Reading: **Genesis 1: 26 - 31**  
(p. 4)

Reflection: "Made in God's image to care for God's creation"

### **Hymn 243 Touch the earth lightly, use the earth gently**

Reading: **Isaiah 41: 17 - 20**  
(p. 727)

Reflection: "The Gospel imperative to care for the poor and marginalised"  
concluding with this responsive declaration:

This we know, the earth does not belong to us:

**we belong to the earth.**

This we know, all things are connected:

**like the blood which unites one family.**

For we did not weave the web of life:

**we are merely a strand in it.**

Whatever we do to the web,

**we do to ourselves.**

## **Hymn 229 We plough the fields and scatter**

Offering & Prayer of Dedication followed by Personal Dedication

**Joyful Singers:**

**Na the thing weh you give me Papa (solo)  
Na hem this we dey bring am so (all)  
Na the thing weh you give me Papa  
Na hem this we dey bring am so  
Eeh Papa eeh, make take am with all your heart 2x**

### **Dedication**

**I believe in a world meant for everyone  
to live in together happily.**

**I believe in living a life of love,  
sharing, and making friends.**

**I believe this is the way of Jesus,  
who makes me see my faults and my sin,  
forgives me and helps me  
to let him make me pure.**

**I believe he died for me and rose again  
for me, and for the whole world,  
and he calls me  
to join the people who follow him now.**

**I believe he can use even me  
to carry on his work in this world.  
So I give myself to him.**

Church News followed by Prayer for Others - Elder

## **Hymn 153 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father**

Benediction and Three-fold Amen.

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***Following the Service the harvest gifts will be auctioned in the Hall – where food will also be served as part of our harvest celebration.***

### **Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?**

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at [pray.sicr@gmail.com](mailto:pray.sicr@gmail.com)  
For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

### **Birthdays (only mentioned in the printed version in the church)**

*Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

### **What's on the agenda?**

Wednesday 2 Oct 19h45 Pilgrims Fellowship Group  
Thursday 3 Oct 20h00 Finance & Governance WG  
Meeting  
Saturday 5 Oct 10h00 Elders' Meeting re Pastoral Care  
Sunday 6 Oct 10h30 Sacrament of Holy Communion

### **Who's who Today**

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**Church News for 29.09.19 to be read by the Elder**

The **Wednesday Pilgrims Fellowship Group** continues meeting at Rev. Irene's house at 19:45 on 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Details can be found in the Order of Service or in last Thursday's Bulletin.

Thanks to those who took part in **Peace Walk & other Peace Week activities**. The 'Koken met Overtuiging was a huge success! Thanks to those that assisted me.

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