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Welcome

Minister: Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
People: and God, our God, will bless us.

HYMN

The Gathering and Blessing of Gifts

Almighty God and Creator,
you make the seeds to grow
and the land to bring forth its harvest.
You give us the warmth of the sun
and send life-giving rain upon the earth.
Teach us humility to work in harmony with your law,
and to share your creation with all.
As we gather together, we give thanks and praise for
your loving kindness and for the bounty of this harvest.
With joy and gladness, we bring before you these
offerings.

*An offering of soil and water is brought forward and
blessed.*

Lord, you give us all we need for life.
Help us to care for your creation.

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*An offering of bread and seed is brought forward and
blessed.*

Lord, you give us seed to scatter on the land.
Teach us to share your bread with all.

READING & HYMN

An offering of wine and oil is brought forward and blessed.

Lord, you give us the fruit of the vine.
Lead us to live lives of service to others.

An offering of fruit and vegetables is brought forward and blessed.

Lord, you give us all kinds of wonderful food.
May we remember those with nothing.

READING & HYMN

An offering of wool and milk is brought forward and blessed.

Lord, for the gift of cattle and sheep,
we give you thanks for all who work the land.

Prayer

**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.**

Final Prayer and Blessing

Minister and People:

**The earth has yielded its harvest;
God, our God has blessed us.**

Minister: Lord, you visit the earth and water it;

People: you make it very plenteous.

Minister: You soften the ground with showers;

People: and bless the increase of it.

Minister: You crown the year with your goodness;

People: and your paths overflow with plenty.

Minister: The meadows are clothed with sheep;

**People: the valleys stand thick with corn,
they shout and sing for joy.**

Minister and People:

**The earth has yielded its harvest;
God, our God has blessed us.**

May God the Father who creates life,
God the Son who brings life, and
God the Spirit who breathes life into all,
Bless you, Refresh you and Lead you into his peace.

Amen

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