



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 29th September 2024

WORSHIP TOGETHER for HARVEST

Organist: Laurence Beard

If you are able, please stand for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk ()*

Today's Theme is: 'Love, Create, Sustain'

Welcome and Introduction

* Opening Responses

Leader: Generous and life-sustaining God
on this day we thank you for:

**All: A world rich in beauty, productive and nourishing,
a world worthy of our care,
stewardship and respect.**

Leader: Generous and life-sustaining God
on this day we thank you for:

**All: Our food, wholesome and plentiful.
Our water, clean and drinkable.
Our medicines, safe and available.
Our homes, warm and comfortable.**

Leader: Generous and life-sustaining God
on this day we thank you for:

**All: All your gifts to us
and in our thanksgiving
accept our praise
and prompt us to be generous to others.**

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

* **Hymn 124:** We plough the fields and scatter

Opening Prayers of Praise and Confession and Lord's Prayer Notices

Bible Reading: Galatians 5.22-25 N.T.p169

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Today's reader is Mary Simmons

Talk One: Love...with Ian

* **Hymn:** All things bright and beautiful

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. **Chorus**

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky; **Chorus**

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one; **Chorus**

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well. **Chorus**



New Hope



**Operation
AGRI**

Christian love in action

Talk Two: Create...with Janet

Responsive Psalm *based on Psalm 8 (we say together the words in bold type)*

Leader: How great is your name, O Lord our God,
through all the earth!

**All: Your majesty is praised above the heavens;
and found upon the lips of children and of babes**

Leader: When I see the heavens, the work of your hands,
the moon and the stars which you arranged,
what are we that you should keep us in mind.

**All: Yet you have made us little less than gods;
with glory and honour you crowned us,
giving us power over the works of your hand.**

Leader: All of them, sheep and cattle,
yes, even the savage beasts.

**All: How great is your name, O Lord our God,
through all the earth!**

Leader: In this is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

* **Hymn:** When I needed a neighbour
I When I needed a neighbour were you there, were you there?
When I needed a neighbour were you there?
*Chorus: And the creed and the colour
and the name won't matter, Were you there?*

2 I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there?
I was hungry and thirsty, were you there? *Chorus*

3 I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there?
I was cold, I was naked, were you there? *Chorus*

4 When I needed a shelter were you there, were you there?
When I needed a shelter were you there? *Chorus*

5 When I needed a healer were you there, were you there?
When I needed a healer were you there? *Chorus*

6 Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there,
Wherever you travel I'll be there.
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,
I'll be there.

Sydney Carter CCL257120

Talk Three: Sustain... with Liz

Prayers for others

* **Presentation of the Offering**

Each week we make our gifts in a variety of ways, by placing cash or envelopes in the baskets as we enter or exit church or through direct bank giving. All these offerings are dedicated now as we sing:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below,
praise him above, ye heavenly host,
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

* **Hymn 117:** O Lord my God



Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen *All Standing*