

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

A CELEBRATION
OF
SUSSEX FOOD AND FARMING



SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2022
3.00PM

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The Farming Community Network (FCN) is a national voluntary organisation and charity that supports farmers and families within the farming community through difficult times.

Since its founding in 1995, FCN has helped thousands of people with a wide range of issues - including financial difficulties, animal disease, mental ill-health and family disputes. During this period of immense change in British agriculture, FCN would like to remind everyone that they're here to listen, support and help you to find a positive way through any problems you might be experiencing.

FCN has over 400 volunteers, located throughout England and Wales, many of whom are involved in farming, or have close links with agriculture and therefore have a great understanding of the issues farm workers and farming families regularly face. FCN's volunteers provide free, confidential, pastoral and practical support to anyone who seeks help, regardless of whether the issue is personal or business-related.

In addition to local groups of volunteers, FCN runs a free confidential national Helpline (**03000 111 999**) which is open every day of the year from 7am-11pm and an e-Helpline (**help@fcn.org.uk**). Speaking to FCN is confidential and non-judgemental.



As the voice of British farming, the NFU represents more than 46,000 farming and growing businesses.

The NFU campaigns for a stable and sustainable future for British farmers and growers, lobbying to bring about legislative and policy changes to help businesses thrive.

The NFU's in-house technical experts in Warwickshire and the South East, along with its political teams in London and Brussels, ensure that farming is never off the political agenda. We're here for British farmers and we ensure that food production gets the recognition it deserves.

www.nfuonline.com



Chichester Young Farmers' Club is a club welcoming anyone with an interest in meeting like-minded people aged between 14 and 28. We are open to all, farming and non-farming members alike. Join us every Wednesday for social evenings, farm visits, and a great programme of activities that everyone will enjoy. For more information please email: chichester.yfc@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page: **Chichester Young Farmers Club**.



The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution – RABI – are a national charity that provides local support to the farming community across England and Wales. Established in 1860, we have been offering guidance, financial support and practical care to farming people of all ages for generations.

Confidential support is available to those who currently work within agriculture and also to those who are no longer able to work due to ill health, accident or age. Support is tailored to each applicant and initial advice can be accessed via the RABI freephone helpline **0800 188 4444** or through referral.

BEFORE THE SERVICE

Fifteen minutes before the service, the following are escorted to their seats:

THE MAYOR OF CHICHESTER

Cllr Julian Joy

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF EAST SUSSEX

Mrs Jane King, and Mr William King

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF WEST SUSSEX

Mr James Whitmore, and Mrs Sara Whitmore

*Ten minutes before the service, please stand as a fanfare sounds
and the Dean escorts the following to their seats:*

Representing HM LORD-LIEUTENANT OF EAST SUSSEX

Mr Graham Peters DL, and Mrs Sarah Peters

HM LORD-LIEUTENANT OF WEST SUSSEX

Lady Emma Barnard

Please then sit and remain seated.

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE GATHERING

Please stand as the procession enters.

OPENING HYMN

During this hymn, samples of Sussex produce are brought to the nave step.



All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:

*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,

O praise him, Alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice:

O praise him...

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light:
O praise him...

Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show:
O praise him...

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, three in One:
*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

NEH 263
St Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)
tr. William Draper (1855-1933)

Lasst uns erfreuen
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
using phrases of an Easter Hymn in
Geistliche Kirchengesäng (Cologne, 1623)

THE GREETING

The Dean, The Very Reverend Stephen Waine, welcomes the congregation, then says

The earth is filled with the gifts of the Lord:
wine and oil and bread,
to strengthen and cheer our hearts.

Psalm 104: 13, 15

The Dean says

Lord of all, we give you thanks for the fruitfulness of the earth.
We pray for wisdom in our management of the land and the
world's environment, that they may continue to bear fruit for
generations to come. We pray too for all who work in agriculture
and food production, and for the generous sharing of this earth's
resources, that all may have enough.

Lord of the harvest,
without whom nothing that is wholesome can grow
and nothing that is pleasing can flower:
we thank you for your great goodness in blessing the earth,
and that it bears fruit in abundance for your people.
Guide and direct the labours of those who work on land and sea
and those who are entrusted with their care,
that the earth may be a source of food,
a place of beauty,
and a true home for us
now and for the years and generations to come;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please sit.

The choir sings

PSALM 104: 24-31

O Lord, how manifold are thy works! In wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

So is the great and wide sea also: wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan: whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

These wait all upon thee: that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

When thou givest it them they gather it: and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

When thou hidest thy face they are troubled: when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.

When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made: and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever: the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

DEUTERONOMY 26: 1-11

*read by Dominic Gardner,
Chair of West Sussex National Farmers' Union*

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The choir sings

BENEDICITE

- O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O ye Heavens, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, bless ye the Lord;
- O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O ye Sun and Moon, bless ye the Lord; O ye Stars of Heaven, bless ye the Lord;
- O ye Showers and Dew, bless ye the Lord; O ye Winds of God, bless ye the Lord;
- O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the Lord; O ye Winter and Summer; O ye Dews and Frosts; O ye Frost and Cold; O ye Ice and Snow; bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O ye Nights and Days, bless ye the Lord; O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the Lord;
- O ye Lightnings and Clouds, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O let the Earth bless the Lord; O ye Mountains and Hills, bless ye the Lord;
- O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- O ye Wells, bless ye the Lord; O ye Seas and Floods, bless ye the Lord;
- O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, bless ye the Lord;
- O all ye Fowls of the Air, bless ye the Lord; O all ye Beasts and Cattle, bless ye the Lord;
- O ye Children of Men, bless ye the Lord; O let Israel bless the Lord.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; O ye Servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;
O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the Lord;
O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord;
O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Prayer of Azariah 35-66a

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

PHILIPPIANS 4: 4-9

read by The Reverend Mark Betson

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Please stand.

HYMN



Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind:
*For his mercies ay endure,
ever faithful, ever sure.*

Let us blaze his name abroad,
for of gods he is the God:

He with all-commanding might
filled the new-made world with light:

He the golden-tressèd sun
caused all day his course to run:

And the hornèd moon by night,
mid her spangled sisters bright:

All things living he doth feed,
his full hand supplies their need:

Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind:
*For his mercies ay endure,
ever faithful, ever sure.*

NEH 397
Psalm 136
John Milton (1608-1674)

Monkland
Melody by John Antes (1740-1811)
from a chorale by J. A. Freylinghausen (1670-1739)

Please sit.

PRESENTATIONS

Mark Thomas
Head of Services, Farming Community Network

Joanne Kondabéka
CEO and Founder, Chichester District Foodbank

The choir sings

THOU VISITEST THE EARTH

Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it.
Thou crownest the year with thy goodness.

Psalm 65: 9a, 12a

Maurice Greene (1696-1755)

SERMON

The Bishop of Chichester
The Right Reverend Dr Martin Warner

THE PRAYERS

Please sit or kneel. The Dean says

Creator God, we thank you for your promise that while the earth endures, seed time and harvest, summer and winter, day and night, shall not fail. We thank you for the reliability of this good earth, for the variety of the seasons and for all the unity and contrasts of creation. We thank you for our labours and for permitting us to be partners in the earth's activity. We thank you that we can nourish the miracle of life upon the miracle of harvest and we praise you for the dignity of sharing in the work of your almighty hands, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

Amen.

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

*led by representatives of Chichester Young Farmers' Club
and the National Farmers' Union*

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

For the harvest of the fields;
the oats and the wheat;
the rye and the barley;
daily bread for people and animals;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind,
and the cattle of every kind,
and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind;
and God saw that it was good.

For all sheep and cattle;
the meat, the wool, the leather for our use;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

When the Lord brings you into the land
which he swore to your fathers to give you,
a land flowing with milk and honey,
you shall keep this service of thanksgiving.

For the harvest of the dairy;
the milk and the cream;
the curds and the whey;
the butter and the cheese;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

Let us enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise,
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the fowls of the air;
meat and eggs for the table;
for the fish of the sea;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

You make grass to grow for the cattle
and plants to meet our needs,
bringing forth food from the earth,
and wine to gladden our hearts.

For the harvest of the orchards;
the apples, the pears and the grapes;
the perry, the cider, and the wine;
good food and good cheer;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east;
and there he put those whom he had formed.

For the harvest of the garden and the greenhouse:
the fruit and the vegetables;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

And why do you worry about clothing?
Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow;
they neither toil nor spin,
**yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory
was not clothed like one of these.**

For the flowers for form and colour and scent;
the bees for honey and wax;
we praise you, O God our Father, blessed for ever.

The Dean says

Lord, you who chose bread and wine as the sign of your presence, be with us here in our celebration of food and farming. We thank you for the harvest, and for all those who work to produce, process and distribute our food and drink.

You who took bread and fish to feed the multitude, make us fit stewards of your world – caring for the countryside and looking after the sea while producing food for your people.

You who filled the hungry with good things – make us always mindful of our duty towards those who go without good food and clean water.

You who are the Lord of the harvest, accept these thanks for all your gifts to us.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

Please stand.

HYMN

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**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 heaven 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 waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.

All good gifts around us...

We thank you, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all your love imparts;
and what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

Common Praise 275
Matthias Claudius (1740-1815)
tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)

Wir Pflügen
Melody by J. A. P. Schütz (1747-1800)

THE BLESSING

May God who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the sky,
who leads the lambs to pasture and the deer to water,
who multiplied loaves and fishes and changed water into wine,
lead us, feed us, multiply us,
and change us to reflect the glory of our Creator
through all eternity;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

To conclude the service, the organist plays

POSTLUDE FOR A HARVEST FESTIVAL

Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

Please remain standing as the procession departs.

All are welcome to join us for refreshments after the service.