

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES

Thursday 26th October 2023

3.30pm & 6.30pm



**The Strict Baptist Chapel
St David's Bridge Cranbrook**

Preacher: Mr. James Gudgeon

Collection for our Free Bible Fund

Afternoon Service

Welcome and Harvest Report – Pastor

Opening Prayer – James Gudgeon

Hymns - Pastor

1 *Tune: Niagara 877 CTB*

Thanksgiving for the harvest.

- 1 Great God, as seasons disappear,
And changes mark the rolling year,
Thy favour still has crowned our days,
And we would celebrate Thy praise.

- 2 The harvest song would we repeat,
Thou givest us the finest wheat;
The joys of harvest we have known;
The praise, O Lord is all Thine own.

- 3 Our tables spread, our garners stored,
O give us hearts to bless Thee, Lord:
Forbid it, Source of light and love,
That hearts and lives should barren prove.

- 4 Another harvest comes apace:
Ripen our spirits by Thy grace,
That we may calmly meet the blow
The sickle gives to lay us low.

- 5 That so, when angel reapers come
To gather sheaves to Thy blest home,
Our spirits may be borne on high
To Thy safe garner in the sky.

~ Reading & Prayer ~

2

Tune: Evening Hymn 709 CTB

Praying for living bread.

*Based on Psalm
28 verse 9*

*"Save thy
people, and
bless thine
inheritance:
feed them also,
and lift them up
for ever."*

- 1 Again, dear Lord, we would be fed;
We come to seek for living bread,
And feast on love divine;
Dear Father, let thy presence be
Enjoyed by all thy family,
And make each face to shine.
- 2 In thee all blessings richly meet;
Come, then, and give our souls a treat,
And let us feast indeed;
O let us banquet with the King,
And love, and pray, and praise, and sing,
As sons from bondage freed.
- 3 May faith be strong, and pierce the skies,
And we with pleasure realise
The glory now prepared;
Commune with Jesus as our Friend;
Upon him live; his love commend;
And carnal things discard.
- 4 If this be granted, we'll adore
The hand that gives, yet keeps in store
A boundless stock of grace;
In every time of need we'll cry,
And thou shalt all our needs supply,
And that with smiling face.

~ Sermon ~

3

Tune: Cambridge 16 CTB

Praise for spiritual and temporal mercies.

- 1 O bless the Lord, my soul!
Let all within me join,
And aid my tongue to bless his name,
Whose favours are divine.
- 2 O bless the Lord, my soul!
Nor let his mercies lie
Forgotten in unthankfulness,
And without praises die.
- 3 'Tis he forgives thy sins;
'Tis he relieves thy pain;
'Tis he that heals thy sicknesses,
And makes thee young again.
- 4 He crowns thy life with love,
When ransomed from the grave;
He that redeemed my soul from hell
Has sovereign power to save.
- 5 He fills the poor with good;
He gives the sufferers rest;
The Lord has judgments for the proud,
And justice for the oppressed.
- 6 His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known;
But sent the world his truth and grace,
By his beloved Son.

*Based on
Psalm 103*

*"Bless the LORD,
O my soul: and
all that is within
me, bless his
holy name."*

420 GHB (S.M.) Isaac Watts

~ **Benediction** ~

A meal will be served in the chapel between the services. All welcome to stay.

Evening Service

Welcome and Harvest Report – Pastor

Opening Prayer – James Gudgeon

Hymns - Pastor

4

Tune: Monkland 482 CTB

Praise to God for giving us a harvest.

*Based on
Psalm 136
verse 1*

*“O give thanks
unto the LORD;
for he is good:
for his mercy
endureth for
ever.”*

- 1 Praise, O praise our God and King;
Hymns of adoration sing;
For His mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.
- 2 Praise Him that He gave the rain
To mature the swelling grain;
For His mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.
- 3 And hath bid the fruitful field
Crops of precious increase yield;
For His mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.
- 4 Praise Him for our harvest store,
He hath filled the garner floor;
For His mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.
- 5 And for richer food than this,
Pledge of everlasting bliss;
For His mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.
- 6 Glory to our bounteous King;
Glory let creation sing;
Glory to the Father, Son,
And blest Spirit, Three in One.

~ Reading & Prayer ~

5

Tune: Haslingden 544 CTB

Prayer that we are not sent away empty, but given living bread.

*Based on
Matthew 15
Verse 32*

*“Then Jesus
called his
disciples unto
him, and said,*

*I have
compassion on
the multitude,
because they
continue with me
now three days,
and have nothing
to eat: and I will
not send them
away fasting, lest
they faint in the
way.”*

- 1 Jesus, we come to meet
With thee, our Lord and King,
To bow before thy feet,
And here thy praises sing:
Compassion on us have, we pray,
And empty send us not away.
- 2 May every worldly care
Be banished from our mind;
May we with profit hear;
And peace and comfort find:
Refresh us from thy word, we pray,
And empty send us not away.
- 3 Our strength will soon decrease,
Unless our souls be fed;
We feel our health and peace
Depend on living bread.
Thy gracious hand now, Lord, display,
And empty send us not away.
- 4 May all true mourners feel
Their grief exchanged for joy;
Thy love to them reveal,
And all their fears destroy:
That when they leave thy house this day,
They may not empty go away.
- 5 May all thy children prove
The riches of thy grace;
Each taste redeeming love,
And see thy smiling face:
So shall we all with pleasure say,
We are not empty sent away.

~ Sermon ~

6

Tune: Duke Street 326 CTB

Mercies seen in all the Lord has done.

*Another hymn
based on
Psalm 136*

*"Thanks and
praise unto God
for all his
mercies.*

*For his mercy
endureth for
ever."*

- 1 Give to our God immortal praise;
Mercy and truth are all His ways;
Wonders of grace to God belong,
Repeat His mercies in your song.
- 2 Give to the LORD of lords renown,
The King of kings with glory crown;
His mercies ever shall endure,
When lords and kings are known no more.
- 3 He built the earth, He spread the sky,
And fixed the starry lights on high;
Wonders of grace to God belong,
Repeat His mercies in your song.
- 4 He fills the sun with morning light,
He bids the moon direct the night;
His mercies ever shall endure,
When suns and moons shall shine no more.
- 5 He sent His Son with power to save
From guilt, and darkness, and the grave;
Wonders of grace to God belong,
Repeat His mercies in your song.
- 6 Through this vain world He guides our feet
And leads us to His heavenly seat;
His mercies ever shall endure,
When this vain world shall be no more.

7 Old Christian Hymns (L.M.) Isaac Watts

~ Benediction ~

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Doxology

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Tune: Old Hundredth 382 CTB

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.

Between the Services

Graces

Remain seated to sing

Before Meal

Tune: Rimington 395 CTB

Be present at our table, Lord;
Be here and everywhere adored;
These mercies bless, and grant that we
May feast in Paradise with Thee.

After Meal

Tune: Wareham 431 CTB

We thank Thee, Lord, for this our food,
But more because of Jesus' blood;
Let manna to our souls be given,
The bread of life sent down from heaven.

In Paradise, within the gates,
A nobler entertainment waits,
Fruits new and old laid up in store,
Where we shall feast, and want no more.

Graces from 343 & 344 YPH