

## Harvest Home Readings and Prayers



*Please pray for our Harvest Home service going out to the community on Facebook and YouTube at 11am on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020. We'll also be playing it as part of the 12 noon Communion and then it will be on the website ([www.speh.org.uk](http://www.speh.org.uk)).*

### **Here are the readings and prayers used in the service:**

Sow for yourselves righteousness;  
reap steadfast love;  
break up your fallow ground;  
for it is time to seek the Lord,  
that he may come and rain righteousness upon you.

*Hosea 10: 12*

The heavens declare the glory of God,  
and the skies announce what his hands have made.

<sup>2</sup>Day after day they tell the story;  
night after night they tell it again.

<sup>3</sup>They have no speech or words;  
they have no voice to be heard.

<sup>4</sup>But their message goes out through all the world;  
their words go everywhere on earth.

*Psalms 19*

<sup>37</sup> Then Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest."

*Matthew 9: 37-38*

## Prayers by the Rule Family

Lord Jesus, as we think about your creation and the gifts of life giving food, which we remember at harvest, please help us to remember that each food starts with a seed, and that those seeds bring forth life for all of us. Thank you for the gift of life.

**Father, your kingdom come. Amen.**

Lord Jesus, through lockdown some parts of the world started to repair, we ask that you would help us to look after our world, the cities, town and countryside. From the mountains, to the rainforests, the seas, oceans and the land. The animals, birds, insects and plants. Let us respect all life on earth teach us to be kind and considerate to all things which are living.

**Father, your will be done. Amen.**

Lord Jesus, There are many, many people who live in poverty, please help us to use the gift of food wisely, we ask that you teach us how to share our food and resources wisely so that everyone has enough. We also ask that in hearts and minds where there is no hope that you will plant seeds of hope for the future.

**Father, give us each day our daily bread. Amen.**



*"You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance." Psalm 65:11*

We bless you, God of Seed and Harvest  
And we bless each other  
That the beauty of this world  
And the love that created it  
Might be expressed through our lives  
And be a blessing to others  
Now and always. **Amen.**

*(a prayer posted on the Third Space website. <http://third-space.org.uk/blog>)*