Hymns - 5th October

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- 1 Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest-home: all be safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin; God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied; come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest-home!
- 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield; wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown; first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear: grant, O harvest Lord, that we wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home; from his field shall purge away all that doth offend, that day; give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast, but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.
- 4 Then, thou Church Triumphant, come,

raise the song of harvest-home; all be safely gathered in, free from sorrow, free from sin, there for ever purified in God's garner to abide: come, ten thousand angels, come, raise the glorious harvest-home!

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- 1 For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.
- 2 In the just reward of labour, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done; in our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,

most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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- 1 Praise and thanksgiving,
 Father, we offer,
 for all things living
 thou madest good;
 harvest of sown fields,
 fruits of the orchard,
 hay from the mown fields,
 blossom and wood.
- 2 Bless thou the labour we bring to serve thee, that with our neighbour we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with thee; harvesting, milling for daily bread.
- 3 Father, providing food for thy children, thy wisdom guiding teaches us share one with another, so that rejoicing with us, our brother may know thy care.
- 4 Then will thy blessing reach every people; freely confessing thy gracious hand.
 Where thy will reigneth no one will hunger: thy love sustaineth; fruitful the land.

1 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.

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- All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.
- 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.
- 3 We thank thee 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 thy love imparts, and, what thou most desirest, our humble, thankful hearts.