

Harvest Around The World

I love that we can buy foods from around the world. I love the different tastes and smells and textures. These are even more of a treat as we try as much as possible to grow and buy food that is locally sourced. With any luck we will have peppers and chillies and aubergines growing in our greenhouse year and I have heard that it is possible to grow sweet potatoes so maybe next year...

This call to worship was written in celebration of the foods that we have from across the world for a harvest festival service when we asked people to make and bring different dishes from around the world partly to help reflect on the ethnic diversity in our community, partly to encourage people to be a bit brave and try something new today!

Come from Brazil
bringing wrinkly, silky avocados
and fresh, zingy limes
a harvest for the world.

Come from Cambodia
bringing cool, watery cucumber
and fragrant, ochre turmeric
a harvest for the world.

Come from Iraq
bringing soft, petrol-smelling figs
and sweet, creamy almonds
a harvest for the world.

Come from Columbia
bringing firm green bananas
and caramelised plantains
a harvest for the world.

Come from Sudan
bringing the cloying texture of tahini
and smooth, tart yoghurt
a harvest for the world.

Come from South Africa
bringing velvety orange sweet potatoes
and gritty yellow maize meal
a harvest for the world.

Come from Turkey
bringing the textured grains of semolina
and sticky runny honey
a harvest of the world.

Come from El Salvador
bringing coarse ground corn flour
and buttery, pulverized refried beans
a harvest of the world.

**We come from all nations of the world
Brining our cultures and our traditions
Our languages and our stories
Our foods and our way of life
To share in thanksgiving for God's abundant harvest
God's gifts for the life of the world.**

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