

Bread Thank You Prayer

This prayer of thanksgiving was written for our joint "Churches in Openshaw and Abbey Hey Together" service on the theme of Eucharist. On the order of service, which laid out what each of the different ministers was responsible for, under my name it simply said Opening Prayer - to be child friendly. As I sat down to write, my daughter Imogen (aged 8) came into the office, plonked herself on my lap and asked what I was doing so I asked her to write the prayer with me.

God who created bread

Thank you for wheat that grows in fields
Thank you for flour that is ground from wheat
Thank you for yeast which makes bread rise
Thank you for salt that helps bread to keep longer
Thank you for water that mixes it all together.

Thank you for bread which reminds us of Jesus
Who told stories of wheat and weeds
Of yeast and salt
Of water and wine
And of great feasts.

Help us to grow strong
Help us to grow healthy
Help us to share our bread
With our friends and neighbours
And with the world.

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