

Messy Church at home celebration harvest 2020

Let's start by singing:

Stand up clap hands

*Chorus: Stand up clap hands, shout
thankyou Lord,
Thankyou for the world I'm in.
Stand up, clap hands, shout thankyou,
Lord,
For happiness and peace within.*

I look around and the sun's in the sky,
I look around and then I think, oh my!
The world is such a wonderful place,
And all because of the good Lord's grace:

Chorus

I look around and the creatures I see,
I look around and it amazes me
That every fox and bird and hare
Must fit in a special place somewhere.

Chorus

I look around at all the joy I've had,
I look around and then it makes me glad
That I can offer thanks and praise
To God who guides me through my days;

Chorus

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Talk:

Hello everyone, welcome to our celebration!

In our Messy Church Harvest, we have been looking at sharing and thanking God for all the good things we have.

Today I have a story from the Bible which you can find in Luke chapter 12 verses 13 to 21.

Someone was asking Jesus to help them with a little problem they had. Their brother wasn't sharing and they wanted Jesus to tell the brother to share. Have you ever had this problem?

Anyway, Jesus said that it wasn't his job to judge or become a go-between for these brothers. But he told them to watch out and beware of greed. He said your life does not consist of how many things you have. Then he told them a story, which went a bit like this:

There was a rich man whose land was so good it produced a really good crop of vegetables and grain. He wondered what to do with it all as he didn't have a place to store it. What would you have done?

The man decided to tear down the barns he had and build bigger ones so he could fit it all in. And that's what he did. He was very pleased with himself as he thought he would be able to relax and take life easy with so much stored up for later years.

But God said to him; "You silly man! This very night is your last, then who will get all this food you have stored up for yourself?"

Jesus said, this is what will happen to those people who store up things for themselves and don't share with others and with God.

Prayers:

Help us God to remember to share what we have with other people instead of keeping it all for ourselves. Thankyou that we have enough food, water, clothing and nice homes. We ask that you will help us to help others that don't have all these things. And if any of us are in need, help us not to be afraid to ask for help too.

Amen

Let's sing again;

Song: Jesus Love is a bubbling over

Jesu's love is a bubbling over (X3)

Hallelujah!

Oo, Love is bubbling over

Oo, ahh, bubbling over

Oo, ahh, sssh over

Oo, ahh sssh, eek

Prayers and blessings.

Let's all do the Grace together, follow me for the actions

Messy Grace: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *(Hold out hands as if expecting a present)* And the love of God *(Put your hands on your heart)*

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit *(Hold hands)*

Be with us all now and for ever. Amen! *(raise hands together on the Amen)*