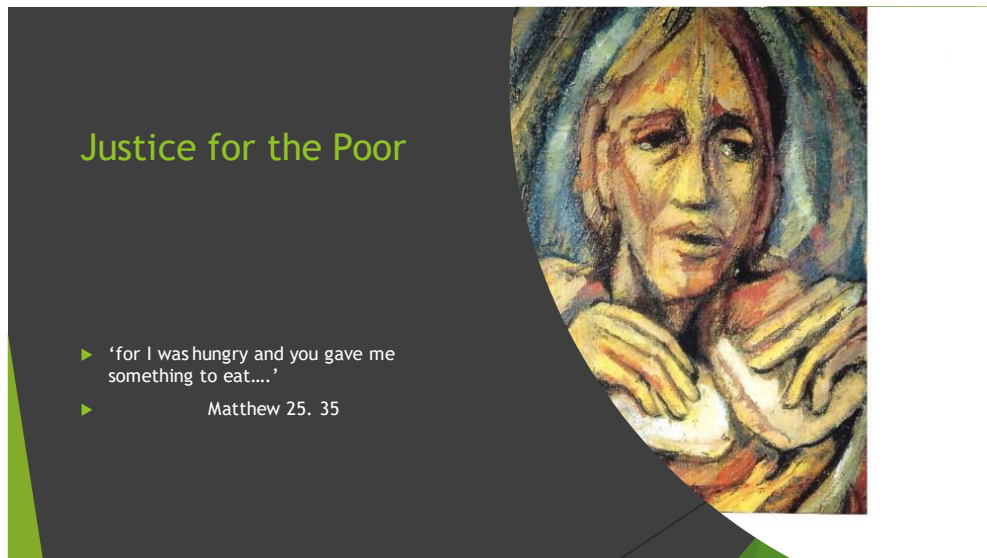


Action Card September 2022

Harvest Thanksgiving



Harvest time is the time when people all over the world give thanks for their food and for those who grow it and prepare and cook it. It is the time when people of all faiths remember those who are poor and don't have enough food to eat.

Sukkot is the Jewish harvest festival. When the people left Egypt and spent forty years in the desert, they built flimsy shelters called sukkot. Today the people remember their ancestors by building shelters in their homes and gardens. They also walk around the synagogues waving fruits and palm branches to remind themselves that God is everywhere, especially with the poor.

We pray for justice for the world's poor people.

We give thanks for the good earth and think and pray for places where the earth is damaged by human beings and where it is devastated by natural disasters. We commit ourselves to play our part in building good healthy soils.

We give thanks for water. We pray for the 29% of the global population who have no safe drinking water. We pray for places where there is drought and rising temperatures. We commit ourselves to campaign for clean water everywhere and to save water at home.

We give thanks for food from land and sea. We pray for the 700 million people who live in extreme poverty. We pray for children who are poor and hungry everywhere. We think especially of the 385 million children who live in extreme poverty. We commit ourselves to campaign and work for an end to poverty and hunger.

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