

BIG IDEAS

How do people of faith say 'thank you' for harvest ?

vocabulary

celebrate	to do something special or enjoyable for an important event, occasion, holiday,
festival	a day or period of celebration, typically for religious reasons.
thankfulness	the feeling of being happy , pleased or grateful because of something:
grateful	feeling or showing an appreciation for something done or received.
Gather	bring together and take in
community	a group of people living in the same place OR the sharing or having certain attitudes and interests in common.
sukkot	a major Jewish festival held in the autumn to commemorate the sheltering of the Israelites in the wilderness. It is marked by the erection of small booths covered in natural materials .Also the time of the harvest



What is harvest in Christianity?

Harvest refers to **the time during autumn when farmers traditionally brought in the crops that supplied their community through the year**. Although our food today is more likely to come from the supermarket, Christians believe it is still important to remember God as creator and thank Him for the good things He provides.

Harvest festivals are celebrations of the food that grows on the land. They happen at different times of year around the world when crops are harvested. Harvests are celebrated in different ways in different places.



Christians often celebrate with a Harvest Festival in church. This is **praying, singing and decorating the church; baskets of food are brought to give thanks to God and the food is often given to those who need it.**

