

# **Combine harvester and tractor visit St Giles' for Harvest Thanksgiving**

**A Harvest Thanksgiving service held at St Giles' was attended by the Royal Highland & Agricultural Society of Scotland (RHASS).**

As part of the congregation the guests from RHASS gave thanks for an abundant harvest, raise awareness about the importance of Scottish agriculture and pay tribute to the hardworking farmers who make it all possible.

Seasonal fruits and vegetables were also on display, generously provided by local farmers from East and West Lothian, and were donated to charities including The Salvation Army, Cyrenians and Social Bite.

The combine harvester and tractor were provided by RHASS Director Bill Gray of Prestonhall Farm.

The Harvest Thanksgiving was led by Rev Sigrid Marten, Associate Minister of St Giles' Cathedral who said: "We are very excited that we have been able to work closely together with the Royal Highland & Agricultural Society of Scotland to highlight the vital role that Scottish farmers play in providing great quality food.

"Bringing farming equipment to the Royal Mile is one way to remind us of our dependence on those who work hard to produce our food."



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