

Church of the Ascension, Port Perry

October 12, 2025 Harvest Thanksgiving

Processional Hymn: CP 262 '*Come, Ye Thankful People Come*'

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect Prayer

Creator of the fruitful earth, you have called us to be good, loving and compassionate stewards of all things. Create in us grateful hearts so that we might tend creation with patience, love, expectation and generosity. May our desire always be that the abundance of what you have blessed us with is a gift to the whole human family, now and in generations to come. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Lord of the Harvest. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Readings

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100; Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

The Gospel (*please stand*)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to... **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Gospel is read.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.** The Homily

Affirmation of Faith

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is One and you shall love the Lord your God with all you heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This

is the first and greatest commandment. The second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness. *Silence is kept.*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Absolution

The Peace

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: CP 451 *'King of Love, O Lord, We Crown You'*

Prayer over the Gifts

Source of all life, the heavens and earth are yours, yet you have given us the care of all things. Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ, Lord of the Harvest. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer #3, BAS pg. 198 - adapted)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you gracious God ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, ...Therefore, Creator, according to his command, **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice ... by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, loving Creator, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray, **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread. **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Communion Hymn CP 403 'Let All Things Now Living'

Prayer after Communion

God of our hope, in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings. Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn CP 565 'Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah'