

# Harvest Thanksgiving Holy Communion

St. James, Caledon East 10 October 2021, 10:30am

You can call in to the service by phone:

Phone: (647) 374-4685 Meeting ID: 344 186 9059 The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Anishinabek Nations and most recently the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of Treaty 19, also known as the Ajetance Purchase. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land and are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community. As members of a church that has a conflicted history with Indigenous peoples, we commit ourselves to the ongoing process of reconciliation.

## **Musical Prelude**

#### Welcome

# Opening Hymn: We Plough the Fields and Scatter

Please remain seated

Verse 1

We plough the fields and scatter
The good seed on the land
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand
He sends the snow in winter
The warmth to swell the grain
The breezes and the sunshine
And soft refreshing rain

#### Chorus

All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above
Then thank the Lord
O thank the Lord for all His love

#### Verse 2

He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far
He paints the wayside flower
He lights the evening star
The winds and waves obey Him

By Him the birds are fed Much more to us His children He gives our daily bread

Verse 3

We thank Thee then, O Father For all things bright and good The seed time and the harvest Our life, our health, our food No gifts have we to offer For all Thy love imparts But that which Thou desirest Our humble thankful hearts

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# The Greeting

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

And also with you.

# The Collect for Purity

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.

# Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Kyrie Eleison ('Lord have mercy')

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

# The Collect for Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-4

[1] "When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, [2] you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. [3] And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' [4] Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God. (ESV)

- [1] I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise.
- [2] I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, \* because of your love and faithfulness;
- [3] For you have glorified your name \* and your word above all things.
- [4] When I called, you answered me; \* you increased my strength within me.
- [5] All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \* when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- [6] They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \* that great is the glory of the Lord.
- [7] Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \* he perceives the haughty from afar.
- [8] Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- [9] The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \* O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

New Plainsong Psalter

# Second Reading: Galatians 6:6-10

[6] Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches.

[7] Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. [8] For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. [9] And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. [10] So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. (ESV)

Gospel: John 4:31-36 Please stand

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

# Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

[31] Meanwhile the disciples were urging [Jesus], saying, "Rabbi, eat." [32] But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." [33] So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him something to eat?" [34] Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work. [35] Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. [36] Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. (ESV)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Sermon** The Rev. Chris Dow Please be seated

# The Apostles' Creed

Please stand

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

I believe in God,

the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# The Prayers of the People

Diane Allengame

Please remain seated

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

## **Confession and Absolution**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Peace Please stand

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

cf. Galatians 5.22,23

# Offertory Hymn: Give Thanks

Chorus

Give thanks with a grateful heart Give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son

Verse

And now let the weak say I am strong Let the poor say I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us

Ending

Give thanks

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## The Offertory

Blessed are you, LORD God of Israel, forever and ever. All that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:10, 11, 14

# **Thanksgiving & Proper Preface**

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.

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, Almighty God and Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. Through him you have created us in your own image, and made us stewards of your good creation. Through him you teach us to exult in the birds of the air, the lilies of the field, the precious and life-giving crops of the earth. Through him you free us from the slavery of sin, giving him to die upon the cross and to rise again for our salvation. Through him, you begin your work of new creation, as we look for a new heaven and a new earth in which your righteousness dwells. Therefore, we join with angels and archangels, and give voice to every creature under heaven,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

for ever praising you and saying:

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

Please be seated

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

# Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
His life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving

and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

Be all honour and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **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 for ever. Amen.

## The 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.

## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Grant us your peace.

### The Communion

Verse 1

If you would like to receive Communion, please come forward and stop at the front pew. Wait for the priest to say, 'The Body of Christ...' Then step forward, cup your hands, and extend your arms. The priest will place a wafer in your hands using tongs. Then move to your left and while facing forward, pull your mask to the side and eat the wafer. Put your mask on again and immediately sanitize your hands before returning to your pew. If you prefer a blessing instead of the bread, please cross your arms over your chest.

# Communion Hymn: For the Fruit of all Creation

For the fruit of all creation
Thanks be to God
For His gifts to every nation
Thanks be to God
For the plowing, sowing, reaping
Silent growth while we are sleeping
Future needs in earth's safekeeping

Verse 2
In the just reward of labour
God's will is done
In the help we give our neighbour
God's will is done

Thanks be to God

In our worldwide task of caring For the hungry and despairing In the harvests we are sharing God's will is done

Verse 3

For the harvests of the Spirit
Thanks be to God
For the good we all inherit
Thanks be to God
For the wonders that astound us
For the truths that still confound us
Most of all that love has found us
Thanks be to God

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# **Prayer after Communion**

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Doxology** Please stand

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.

## The Blessing

May God the Father, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.

#### Amen.

May God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest.

### Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole of creation, help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace.

#### Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

# Closing Hymn: Now Thank We All Our God

#### Verse 1

Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices
Who wondrous things has done
In whom His world rejoices
Who from our mother's arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today

#### Verse 2

O may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed And free us from all ills
In this world and the next

Verse 3

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given
The Son and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven
The one eternal God
Whom earth and heaven adore
For thus it was is now
And shall be evermore

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## The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **Ways to Give**

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- ~Move to Pre-Authorized giving. Form available on the 'Donate' page of website
- ~Mail your cheque or arrange a time to drop it off at the office
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# Please remember in your prayers this week:

World: The people of Afghanistan and Haiti

Anglican Communion: The Church of the Province of West Africa

**Diocese of Toronto**: Foodbanks and other sharing ministries

**North Peel Deanery**: The Rev. Dr. Monique Taylor and the people of Christ Church Brampton; the Rev. Nelson Charles and the people of Prayer Stone, Brampton.

**St. James Cycle of Prayer**: Muriel Jackson; Howard & Valerie Jones; George Judge and their families.

**Those in need:** Stephanie, Shireen & Iric, Anne, June, Marjorie, Pam, Stan, Carey, Liz, Paul, Mary-Katharine, Joseph, Dennis, Harry & Marjorie



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