CHRIST'S CHURCH
CATHEDRAL
HAMILTON ONTARIO

Choral Eucharist
All Saints
November 1, 2026
10:30am



Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Anglican Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words and actions through which public worship is conducted.

*The people's responses are in **bold**.*

Territorial Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we gather today on the lands occupied by the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe nations at the time of the creation of the "Dish with One Spoon" wampum agreement. We honour and respect these nations and commit ourselves to walk together gently upon this land.

The Gathering of the Community

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental or vocal piece of music during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

GATHERING MUSIC Fugue in C JS Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs CP#319
We begin our worship together in community by praising God in song.

1 Come, let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne;
ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

2 "Worthy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be exalted thus!"
"Worthy the Lamb!" our lips reply, "for he was slain for us."

3 Jesus is worthy to receive honour and power divine;
and blessings, more than we can give, be, Lord, forever thine!

4 Let all creation join in one to bless the sacred name
of God who sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb!

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

This prayer was an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church before the Reformation. It remains a distinctive part of Anglican worship to this day.

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.

GLORIA





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Collect is the prayer appointed for each day that "collects" or brings out the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes God's attributes as shown in the scriptures for the day.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING Revelation 7.9-17

This reading is typically from the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) which Jesus knew and which he often referred to or quoted from.

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM Psalm 34.1-10,22

The psalms are prayers Jesus used and cover every mood of our relationship with God and one another.



1 I will bless the / Lord at · all / times; *
the praise of God shall / ever · be / in my / mouth.

2 I will glory / in the / Lord; *
let the / humble / hear and · re/joice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness / of the / Lord; *
let us exalt the / name of / God to/gether.

4 I sought the / Lord who / answered me, *
and delivered me / out of / all my / terror.

5 Look upon / God and · be / radiant, *
and let not your / faces / be a/sham'd.

6 I called in my affliction / and the · Lord / heard me, *
and / saved me · from / all my / troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses / those who · fear / God, *
and will / hasten / to de/liver · them.

8 Taste and see that the / Lord is / good; *
happy are / they who / trust in / God!

9 Fear the Lord you holy / ones of / God, *
for / those who · fear / God lack / nothing.

10 The young lions lack and / suffer / hunger, *
but those who seek the Lord lack / nothing / that is / good.

22 *[2nd part]* O Lord, you redeem the / life of · your / servants, *
and none will be / punished · who / trust in / you.

THE SECOND READING 1 John 3.1-3

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation of John.

A reading from the First Letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN Blest Are the Pure in Heart CP#439 (vv1-3)

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.

2 The Lord, who left the heavens, our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with us, our pattern and our King,

3 still to the lowly soul his presence doth impart,
and for a dwelling and a throne chooseth the pure in heart.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5.1-12

This reading is from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL HYMN Blest Are the Pure in Heart CP#439 (v4)

4 Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be:
give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple fit for thee.

THE SERMON The Dean

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The names of loved ones who have passed into God's nearer presence since last All Saints' Day will be read aloud first. Family members of those recently departed are invited to come forward and light a candle. Once each name has been read aloud, a bell will be sounded as the candle is lit. Then, the names submitted of other dearly departed will be read aloud. (Candles can be lit in memory of these names as loved ones come up for communion.) When all the names have been read aloud, we maintain a period of silence.

Let us now give thanks for the life and witness of those dear to us who have passed from this life into the nearer presence of God since last All Saint's Day.

COLLECT FOR ALL SOULS

Father of all, we pray to you for those we love but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.
And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
And rise in glory.

CHOIR ANTHEM Justorum animae Charles Villiers Stanford

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and the torment of malice will not touch them. To the eyes of fools they seem to die, but they are at peace.

THE PEACE
The community stands for the Peace.

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

THE OFFERTORY
At the offertory we gratefully offer back some of what God has given us, symbolically in the elements, and in our contributions towards the work of the church. Donations to the mission of the Cathedral can be made via PayPal, using the QR code here.

OFFERTORY HYMN Who Are These Like Stars Appearing CP#281

1 Who are these like stars appearing, these before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing; who are all this glorious band?
"Alleluia!" hark, they sing, praising loud their heavenly King.

2 Who are these in dazzling brightness, clothed in God's own righteousness?
These whose robes of purest whiteness shall their lustre still possess,
still untouched by time's rude hand—whence come all this glorious band?

3 These are they who have contended for their Saviour's honour long,
wrestling on till life was ended, following not the sinful throng;
these, who well the fight sustained, triumph through the Lamb have gained.

4 These are they whose hearts were riven, sore with woe and anguish tried,
who in prayer full oft have striven with the God they glorified;
now, their painful conflict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.

5 These, the Almighty contemplating, did as priests before him stand,
soul and body always waiting day and night at his command:
now, in God's most holy place, blest they stand before his face.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Let us pray.
Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

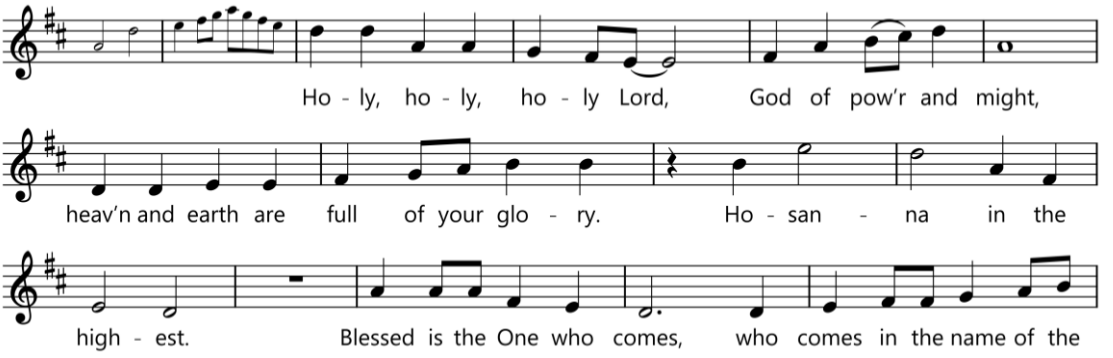
In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

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, creator of heaven and earth; in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and together with them receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.





We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

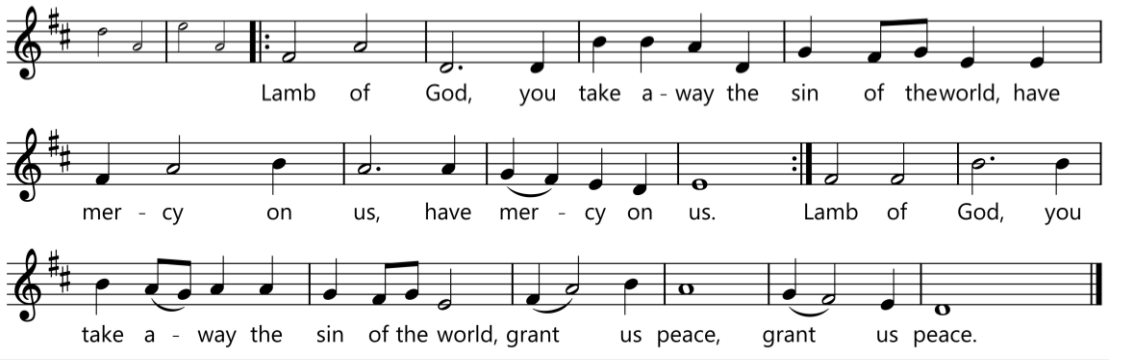
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

THE COMMUNION

To receive communion, please come forward to the altar rail or to the standing station. To receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available if requested.

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD



MUSIC AT COMMUNION Holy Is the True Light WH Harris

Holy is the True Light, and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict, from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour, wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia!

The Sending Forth of the Community

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

May God, who kindled the fire of divine love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of God's grace. **Amen.**

May God give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises. **Amen.**

May God strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory. **Amen.**

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

CLOSING HYMN Jerusalem the Golden CP#278

1 Jerusalem, the golden, with milk and honey blessed,
beneath thy contemplation sink heart and voice oppressed.
I know not, O I know not what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare.

2 They stand, those halls of Sion, all jubilant with song,
and bright with many an angel and all the martyr throng,
The Prince is ever in them, the daylight is serene,
the pastures of the blessed are decked in glorious sheen.

3 There is the throne of David, and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph, the song of them that feast;
and they who with their leader have conquered in the fight,
forever and forever are clad in robes of white.

4 O sweet and blessed country, the home of God's elect;
O dear and future vision, that eager hearts expect:

even now by faith we see thee, even here thy walls discern;
to thee our thoughts are kindled; for thee our spirits yearn.

THE DISMISSAL

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Prelude in C JS Bach

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