

St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke

Harvest Thanksgiving

October 11, 2026

Holy Eucharist- 10.30 am



'We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land.'

We welcome you to worship this morning. Our celebration is joyful, reflective, playful and reverent, as we thank God for new life through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Gathering of the Community

Welcome - Land Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving

The flowers and some of the produce helping to beautify the church today is for the honor and glory of God and in loving memory of Roy Neale, brother of Mary Neale; in thanksgiving for all the blessings given by Peter Lee.

Creator, you made all people of every land in your image,
and entrusted them with the care of the earth.

**It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect
to those who first occupied this land we are upon.**

**We give thanks to the Huron-Wendat,
Haudenosaunee, and Anishinabek Nations,
and the Mississauga of the Credit First Nation:
the first peoples of this land.**

**We offer our respect
to those ancestors who may be buried in this land.
We are also thankful for the gifts of the people of the land.**

**Creator let us be of good mind
to reconcile the mistreatment of this land
and those who have been displaced.**

**We give thanks for Indigenous voices
in our Anglican Church of Canada.**

**Give us attentive ears to hear them, and sincere and open hearts
that we may embrace the work of reconciliation
to which you call your Church.**

**With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in your name,
Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.**

The prayer bell calls us to silent preparation

Hymn 258 *We Plough the Fields and Scatter*

- 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.**

Refrain

**All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.**

2. **He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the roadside 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.**

Refrain

3. **We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good:
the seed-time and the harvest,
our lives, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.**

Refrain

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.**

Let us pray.

Giving and forgiving God,
you created the good earth and blessed it.
Give us glad and generous hearts,
so that we may rejoice and give thanks
for the abundance of your creation,
the depths of your mercy and your care for all;
blessed are you, O God, Source of all being,
eternal Word and Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Breaking Open the Word

Deuteronomy 8. 7-18

Reader: Wilson Kamau

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65

We sing the Refrain twice through at the beginning and the end, once elsewhere



♪ We praise and thank you, Holy One, for your gifts to us. (repeats)

Praise must come to you, O God!

Vows must be fulfilled on Zion!

To you, who listens to prayer,
all may confess their sins.

When our sins overwhelm us,

you forgive them.
Happy are those you invite,
those you bring to live in your courts.
The good things of your house,
your holy temple,
give them full satisfaction.

♪ **We praise and thank you, Holy One, for your gifts to us.**

O God our strong deliverer,
answer us with awesome deeds,
to make everything just and right.
You are trusted to the ends of the world
and to the depths of the seas.

You set the mountains in place;
you are clothed with great power.
You calm the raging oceans,
the roaring of their waves
and the tumult of the nations.

Those who live at the ends of the earth
are awed by your marvelous signs.
The outgoings of the morning and evening rejoice.

♪ **We praise and thank you, Holy One, for your gifts to us.**

You visit the earth and it flourishes, greatly enriched.
The divine river is full of water.
You have prepared the earth
to provide grain for everyone.
You drench earth's furrows, smooth her ridges,
soften her with showers, and bless her growth.

You crown the year with bounty
and your passing flows with fatness.
Even the desert pastures flow with fatness!
The hills are surrounded with joy!
The meadows are clothed with flocks;
the valleys are dressed in grain.
They shout and sing!

♪ **We praise and thank you, Holy One, for your gifts to us. (repeats)**

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.’

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

 He - le - lu - ya_{...}n, he - le - lu - ya_{...}n, ..
 He - le, he - le_{...} - lu - u_{..} - ya_{..}n,
 He - le - lu_{...} - ya_{..}n, he - le - lu - ya_{...}n, ..
 he - le, he - le_{...} - lu - u_{..} - ya_{..}n. *(repeats)*

The Holy Gospel: Luke 17. 11-19

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ When he saw them, he said to them, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud

voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

♪ He - le - lu - ya, he - le - lu - ya, ..
He - le, he - le - lu - u - ya,
He - le - lu - ya, he - le - lu - ya, ..
he - le, he - le - lu - u - ya. *(repeats)*

Sermon: The Reverend Mike Stuchbery

Affirmation of Faith

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.

We sit or kneel as we are most attentive for prayer.

Let us give thanks to God for the many gifts so freely bestowed upon us.
For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth, sky and sea.

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of every human being, revealing the image of Christ. **We thank you, Lord.**

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends.

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve. For your Church, through whom your mind, heart and body serves this world. We give thanks for our leaders here at St. Philip's, especially for our wardens, Rosalind, Ashani, Debbie and Andrew; our staff, Tracy, Amanda and Charles; for Greg, our deacon; Mike, our Incumbent; Kevin, Ryscilla and Andrew our Bishops; Anne our Metropolitan; and Shane our Primate.

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play.

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity. **We thank you, Lord.**

For all who valiantly take up their cross and serve others in your name, seeking justice, peace and truth. **We thank you, Lord.**

For the communion of saints, in all times and places, especially for those we have loved and who are with us no longer. **We thank you, Lord.**

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord; praying that your compassionate mercy will bless those we know who are in particular need of your comfort and healing at this time; especially those we know of who are facing current medical issues: Heather, Emmanuel, Brenda M., Robbie, James, Naume, Peter J., Victoria, Elizabeth, and Bridget; and those who live in long-term care homes or whose mobility is limited by age or health: Shirley B., Carmel, Jim, Herman & Gloria, Valerie, Mae, John & Eleanor, Pauline, Fred, and Ruth. **We thank you, Lord.**

To him be praise and glory, with you, our Creator and Sustainer, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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

The prayer bell calls us into silence

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

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

The Offertory

Hymn 415 *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Refrain

**All things bright and beautiful
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.**

1. **Each radiant flower that opens,
each vibrant bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours
God made their lively wings**

Refrain

2. **The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruit in the garden,
God made them everyone.**
Refrain
3. **The rocky mountain splendour,
the loon's wild, haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forest in the fall.**
Refrain
4. **God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is the Creator,
who has made all things well.**
Refrain

Prayer over the Gifts

Let us pray.

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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 right to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be:
the vast expanse of interstellar space,
galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,
and this fragile earth, our island home;
by your will they were created and have their being.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

From the primal elements
you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;
you made us the stewards of creation.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

But we turn against you, and betray your trust;
and we turn against one another.
Again and again you call us to return.
Through the prophets and sages
you reveal your righteous law.
In the fullness of time you sent your Son,
born of a woman, to be our Saviour.
He was wounded for our transgressions,
and bruised for our iniquities.
By his death he opened to us
the way of freedom and peace.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you,
joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
and with those in every generation
who have looked to you in hope,
to proclaim with them your glory,
in their unending hymn:



You are holy, you are whole.

**You are always ever more
than we ever understand.**

You are always at hand.

Blesséd are you coming near.

**Blesséd are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.**

**You are holy, you are wholeness,
you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God!**

Blessed are you, Lord our God,
for sending us Jesus, the Christ,
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread, said the blessing,
broke the bread, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Take this, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup of wine;
he gave you thanks, 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."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God,
we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ,
we proclaim his resurrection and ascension,
and we look with expectation for his coming
as Lord of all the nations.
We who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the Spirit,
now bring you these gifts.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this offering of your Church,
that we who eat and drink at this holy table
may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth
and make it your new creation.
Gather your Church together

from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
where peace and justice are revealed,
that we, with all your people,
of every language, race, and nation,
may share the banquet you have promised;

through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
all honour and glory are yours,
creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer, Breaking of Bread

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray in the language closest to our hearts.

**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.**

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.**

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Baptized persons of any Church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you prefer not to drink the wine, simply return to your seat having received the fullness of Communion in the bread alone. The Diocese of Toronto does not permit dipping the wafer into the cup (intinction).

If you prefer not to receive Communion but would like a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest when you come forward to indicate this to the priest.

Server: Areana Maina, Communion Assistant: Andrew Batte

 Hymn *Deep In Our Hearts*

1. Deep in our hearts
there is a common vision;
deep in our hearts
there is a common song;
deep in our hearts
there is a common story,
telling Creation that we are one.
2. Deep in our hearts
there is a common purpose;
deep in our hearts
there is a common goal;
deep in our hearts
there is a sacred message,
justice and peace in harmony.
3. Deep in our hearts
there is a common longing;
deep in our hearts
there is a common theme;
deep in our hearts
there is a common current,
flowing to freedom like a stream.
4. Deep in our hearts
there is a common vision;
deep in our hearts
there is a common song;
deep in our hearts
there is a common story,
telling Creation that we are one.

Hymn 259 *For the Fruit of All Creation*

1. For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God;
gifts bestowed on every nation,
thanks be to God.
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward for labour,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.
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.

 Multi-Lingual Grace

Miigwech
Gan xie ni
Ekele
Asante (*Repeats*)

For justice, peace, and freedom
Thank you, Lord
For reconciliation
Thank you, Lord!
For joy, and pain, and caring
Thank you, Lord!
For your abundant blessings
Thank you, Lord!

Miigwech (*Repeats*)

Olw' ebirunji byonna (For all the beautiful things)
Webale (thank you)
Olw'o okwagala kwo gwe (For your endless love)
Webale (thank you)
Olwa Famire zaffe (For our families)
Webale (thank you)
Olw'emikwano gyaffe (for our friends)
Webale (thank you)

Miigwech (*Repeats*)

Olw'emirimu gyaffe (for our jobs)

Webale (thank you)

Olwa obulamu bwaffe (for our lives)

Webale (thank you)

Olwa amagezi gonna (for all the wisdom)

Webale (thank you)

Olw' ebirunji byonna (For all the beautiful things)

Webale (thank you)

Miigwech (*Repeats*)

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Sustaining God,

with this bread and cup,

you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.

By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.

Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,

following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. **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

- 🍁 Oktoberfest at St. Philip's! 🍁

Join us for a fun afternoon of delicious food, fellowship, and

Oktoberfest celebrations! Sunday, October 25 @ 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM.

Tickets: Adults – \$20, Teens – \$10

🍷 Wondering what's on the menu?

Check the church notice boards or our website for the amazing

Oktoberfest menu!

Come hungry and enjoy a wonderful afternoon together with our parish community. We look forward to seeing you there!

- Mark October 31st in your calendar, and be here from 9:30am-3:00pm for a day of parish visioning. Let's gather together and prayerfully seek the direction that God is leading us in for the next few years. **YOUR VOICE VOICE IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE DIALOGUE!**

Please register at the parish office (staffstphilip@gmail.com or

416-247-5181

- We are preparing a special All Souls & Remembrance Day edition of our parish newsletter to honour and remember our loved ones, including beloved pets. You are invited to submit a photo, monument/headstone photo, or pet photo, along with a short remembrance message of up to 50 words.

- **Cost: \$50 per space**

Submission deadline: October 20, 2026

Publication date: November 1, 2026

For more information or to submit a remembrance, please contact Ros or Amanda at the Church Office – 416-247-5181.

- Jazz Vespers - October 25th at 4pm with the Pat LaBarbara Trio. Admission by donation. All are welcome.
- St. Philip's Recital Series - November 8th at 4pm with Classical Guitar Duo - James Baker and Carmine Coccimiglio. Pay-what-you-can.

Final Blessing, Hymn & Dismissal

May God keep you in all your days.

May Christ shield you in all your ways.

May the Spirit bring you healing and peace.

May the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from you
and pour upon you blessing and light. **Amen.**

Hymn 399 *Now Thank We All Our God*

1. **Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.**
2. **O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
and nourish us with grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.**

3. **All praise and thanks to God
eternal now be given,
to Spirit and to Word,
who reign in highest heaven:
our ever faithful God,
whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.**

Dismissal

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
serve the world God loves.

Thanks be to God.

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