# St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke

*Remembrance Day, November 8, 2026 – 10:30am*




*In Flanders Now*

We have kept faith, ye Flanders' dead,
Sleep well beneath those poppies red,
That mark your place.
The torch your dying hands did throw,
We've held it high before the foe,
And answered bitter blow for blow,
In Flanders' fields.

And where your heroes' blood was spilled,
The guns are now forever stilled,
And silent grown.
There is no moaning of the slain,
There is no cry of tortured pain,
And blood will never flow again
In Flanders' fields.

Forever holy in our sight
Shall be those crosses gleaming white,
That guard your sleep.
Rest you in peace, the task is done,
The fight you left us we have won.
And "Peace on Earth" has just begun
In Flanders now.

— Edna Jacques

## Gathering of the Community

Welcome - Land Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving

*Flowers today are to the honour and glory of God, given in loving memory of those who have sacrificed their lives for their country in the world wars.*

We welcome Tom Munro, piper, to our service today.

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*

*As we are able, we stand, the Colour Party marches in the Colours*

♫ **O Canada! Our home and native land!**
**True patriot love in all of us command.**
**With glowing hearts we see thee rise,**
**the true north strong and free!**
**From far and wide, O Canada,**
**we stand on guard for thee.**
**God keep our land glorious and free!**
**O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.**

**O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.**

*Flanders Fields* — Reader: *Donna Farrell*

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow*
*Between the crosses, row on row,*
*That mark our place; and in the sky*
*The larks, still bravely singing, fly*
*Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago*
*We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,*
*Loved and were loved, and now we lie,*
*In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:*
*To you from failing hands we throw*
*The torch; be yours to hold it high.*
*If ye break faith with us who die*
*We shall not sleep, though poppies grow*
*In Flanders fields.*

John McCrae

Hymn **576** *For the Healing of the Nations*

1. **For the healing of the nations,**
   **God, we pray with one accord;**
   **for a just and equal sharing**
   **of the things the earth affords.**
   **To a life of love in action**
   **help us rise and pledge our word.**

2. **Lead us, Father, into freedom;**
   **from despair your world release,**
   **that, redeemed from war and hatred,**
   **all may come and go in peace.**
   **Show us how through care and goodness**
   **fear will die and hope increase.**

3. **All that kills abundant living,**
   **let it from the earth be banned:**
   **pride of status, race, or schooling,**
   **dogmas that obscure your plan.**
   **In our common quest for justice,**
   **may we hallow life's brief span.**

4. **You Creator, God, have written**
**your great name on humankind;**
**for our growing in your likeness,**
**bring the life of Christ to mind;**
**that by our response and service**
**earth its destiny may find.**

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 of the Day

Let us pray.
Father and Mother of us 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 for ever. **Amen.**

## Breaking Open the Word

First Reading: Wisdom 3. 1-9 Reader: *Oma Bawo-Oteri*

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.
In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.
Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;
like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them.
In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,
and will run like sparks through the stubble.
They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them for ever.
Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116. 1-8

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




♫ **Holy One, to you we offer our heartfelt thanks and praise.** *(repeat)*

Holy One, I love you! You heard my heartfelt plea!
**Your ear attended when I screamed:**
**"Death's cords have bound me fast;**
the horrors of the grave have seized me. I feel only grief and pain."
**In the name of the Holy One I screamed,**
**"Save, O save my very life."**
Our God is just and gracious, full of mercy
**guarding the innocent,**
**saving me from utter despair.**

♫ **Holy One, to you we offer our heartfelt thanks and praise.**

Return to your rest, O my soul,
**for the Holy One has been wonderful,**
**delivering me from death,**
my eyes from tears,
my feet from stumbling.

**I can walk before God among the living.**

♫ **Holy One, to you we offer our heartfelt thanks and praise.** *(repeat)*

♫ **Hal – le, hal – le, hal – le ʻ lu – jah! (X3)**

**Hal - le – lu – jah! ʻ Hal – le – lu – jah!**

The Holy Gospel: John 6. 37-40

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.**

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

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

♫ **Hal – le, hal – le, hal – le ʻ lu – jah! (X3)**

**Hal - le – lu – jah! ʻ Hal – le – lu – jah!**

Sermon: The Rev. Mike Stuchbery

*The Silence*

*Lament: Tom Munro, Piper*

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning , we will remember them.
**We will remember them.**

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

May their souls and the souls of all the departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

*Laying of Wreathes*

Let us pray,

We lift our hearts in thanksgiving to you, O God,
for our veterans and their families:
for all who have given their lives for liberty and justice,
for all who returned from the horrors of war,
all who served on our own shores,
and all who worked to heal physical, mental, and spiritual wounds.
Help us to remember, lest we forget,
and in remembering,
steel in us a resolve to work for peace and reconciliation.
This we ask in the name of the one who is the Prince of Peace,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God now and forever. **Amen.**

♫ **God save our gracious King,**
**long live our noble King,**
**God save the King.**
**Send him victorious,**
**happy and glorious,**
**long to reign over us:**
**God save the King.**

## Prayers of the People

Leader: Geoff Pratt

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

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

You illumine the church with the hope of your new day. Prepare our hearts and minds for the inbreaking of your kingdom, that we might awaken to your transforming love at work all around us. We give thanks for this congregation and 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. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You create and sustain the earth's natural rhythms so that all life might thrive. Show us the wisdom and wonder of nature's balance; make us careful stewards of our common home.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You make justice roll down in all places and among all nations. Encourage all who protect vulnerable communities and help rebuild in the aftermath of conflict. Uphold veterans and those who care for them. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You hasten to heal our wounds and make whole what is broken. Comfort individuals facing a difficult diagnosis, receiving palliative care, or facing uncertain treatment options, and bless those we know who are facing current medical issues: Heather, Emmanuel, Brenda M., Robbie, James, Naume, Peter J., Victoria, Elizabeth, Bridget, Bevs, and Sheri; 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 W., John & Eleanor, Pauline, Fred, Mae M., and Ruth. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You give rest to weary hearts and bodies. As the days grow shorter in the north, help us to move more slowly and intentionally through our days, honoring the need for quiet and stillness.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You welcome those who have come before us in faith into the joys of heaven. Sustain us by your grace and guide us into the promise of everlasting life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

## The Peace

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

## The Offertory

♫ *Sing a New World into Being*

1. **Sing a new world into being.**
   **Sound a bold and hopeful theme.**
   **Find a tune for silent yearnings.**
   **Lend your voice and dare to dream:**
   **dream a church where all who worship**
   **find their lives and loves belong.**
   **Sing a new world into being.**
   **Sing as Christ inspires your song!**

2. **Sing a new world into being,**
**where each gender, class, and race**
**brings its rainbow gifts and colours**
**to God's limitless embrace;**
**where the lines that once divided**
**form instead the ties that bind.**
**Sing a new world into being:**
**risk transforming heart and mind.**

3. **Sing a new world into being**
**where the homeless find a home,**
**where no children ever hunger**
**but are filled with God's shalom;**
**where all people work for justice,**
**where all hate and vengeance cease.**
**Sing a new world into being:**
**raise the harmonies of peace.**

4. **Sing a new world into being.**
**Join the ancient prophet's cry**
**for a time of health and plenty**
**when all tears have been wiped dry;**
**when compassion flows like waters,**
**pouring balm for all who grieve.**
**Sing a new world into being:**
**live the promise you believe!**

Prayer over the Gifts

Let us pray.

Gracious and righteous God,
we are united in the love of Jesus Christ.
Accept all we offer you this day,
and bring us, with all your faithful people
who have gone before us,
into his eternal glory;
who is Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*As able, we continue standing together in thanksgiving before God.*

Eucharistic Prayer

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;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
whose victorious rising from the dead
has given to us the hope of resurrection
and the promise of eternal life.
Therefore with angels and archangels
and all who have served you in every age,
we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.



**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!**

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 sons and daughters;
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 & 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: Bawo-Bawo-Oteri / Communion Assistant: Andrew Batte

Hymn **60** *I Come with Joy*

1. **I come with joy, a child of God,**
   **forgiven, loved, and free,**
   **the life of Jesus to recall,**
   **in love laid down for me.**

2. **I come with Christians far and near**
   **to find, as all are fed,**
   **the new community of love,**
   **in Christ's communion bread.**

3. **As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,**
   **each proud division ends'**
   **The love that made us, makes us one,**
   **and strangers now are friends.**

4. **The spirit of the risen Christ,**
   **unseen, but ever near,**
   **is in such friendship better known,**
   **alive among us here.**

5. **Together met, together bound,**
   **by all that God has done,**
   **we'll go with joy to give the world,**
   **the love that makes us one.**

Hymn **481** *May the grace of Christ our Savior*

1. **May the grace of Christ our Savior**
   **and the Father's boundless love,**
   **with the Holy Spirit's favor,**
   **rest upon us from above.**

2. **Thus may we abide in union**
   **with each other and the Lord,**

**and possess in sweet communion**
**joys which earth cannot afford.**

3. **To the God whose wisdom made us**
**to the Son who set us free,**
**to the sanctifying Spirit,**
**glory endless glory be!**

♫ *Multi-Lingual Grace*

**Miigwech**
**Gan xie ni**
**Ekele**
**Asante** *(Repeats)*

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| 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)*

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| Olw' ebirunji byonna ( For all beautiful things) | **Webale (thank you)** |
| Olw'o okwagala kwo gwe ( For 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)*

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| 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 beautiful things) | **Webale (thank you)** |

**Miigwech** *(Repeats)*

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

God of love,
may the death and resurrection of Christ,
which we celebrate in this eucharist,
bring us, with the faithful departed,
into the peace of your eternal home.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,
our hope and our salvation. **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

- Recital - **TODAY** at 4pm. Classical guitar duo – James Baker and Carmine Coccimiglio. Admission by donation. All are welcome.

- 🎄 A Charlie Brown Christmas Concert – December 6!
  Join us on Sunday, December 6, at 4:00 PM for a festive Christmas concert! Tickets Out Now: Adults $30 | Students $20 | Family $60 (2 adults and up to 3 children) | Children under 12 FREE.
  Hot chocolate and Christmas cookies will be served following the concert! Mark your calendars and spread the word!

- **Christmas Market – Saturday, November 28th**
  Our Christmas Market will take place on **Saturday, November 28th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Come and enjoy a wonderful selection of Christmas items, delicious homemade baked goods, lunch, and a raffle draw! Bring your family and friends and join us for a festive day of shopping and fellowship. **Everyone is welcome!**

## 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.**

Closing Hymn

Hymn **575** *Let Streams of Living Justice*

1. **Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth;**
   **give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth.**
   **The hungry's hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights,**
   **the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.**
   **Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power'**
   **abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people's hour.**

2. **For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,**
**for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.**
**Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun;**
**on your loom of time enroll us till our thread of life is run.**
**O great Weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one;**
**Dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.**

3. **Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek;**
**your harmony is language; we are the words you speak.**
**Our faith we find in service, our hope in other's dreams,**
**our love in hand of neighbor: our homeland brightly gleams.**
**Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way—the path untried;**
**your truth—the heart of stranger; your life—the Crucified.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
**Thanks be to God.**

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