Church of the Ascension, Port Perry

November 2, 2025 All Saints Day

Processional Hymn: CP 281 'Who are these like Stars Appearing'

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

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

Readings

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31

The Gospel (please stand)

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our 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 282 'Let Saints an Earth in Concert Sing'

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy and loving God, we give you thanks for all that Christ accomplished in the lives of the Saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may one day celebrate with them in your eternal kingdom. In the name of Christ our Lord we pray. 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 275 'O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be'

Prayer after Communion

Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. 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 276 'For All the Saints'*

*New "For All the Saints" lyrics:

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast* We praise the Name alone in which we boast Seal our unity around Thy Host Alleluia! Alleluia! Ringed by this cloud of witnesses divine We feebly struggle, they in glory shine Yet in your love our faithful lives entwine Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hasten the day, when tears no longer stain All then shall rise to sing that great refrain! Enliven our lungs to shout Hosanna's Reign! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The saints are living still, their voices heard Speaking, reminding, of Heaven's dream deferred Hasten to hear, that earth's woe may be cured Alleluia! Alleluia!

No greater love hath any than to yield Privilege and pow'r to welcome and to shield The least, the lost, the whole creation healed Alleluia! Alleluia!

- * 1st line William W. How
- * Lyrics by Ken Sehested