

St. John's Anglican Church, Ida
Parish of Ida and Omemee

Service of Holy Communion

October 11, 2026

Harvest Thanksgiving

This is a special Sunday for us as we celebrate and give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received.

We are so glad you are here, and we hope you will stay afterwards for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship.

Children are welcome to attend our Children's Program or to remain with their families. There is a special area designated for them for quiet activities.

As we worship, at any time during the service, please assume whatever physical position is best for you.

The Gathering of the Community

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. (Psalm 126:6)

As the hymn begins, please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn CP258 *We Plough the Fields and Scatter*

**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.**

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

**He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the way-side 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.**

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

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

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

Anthem A Thanksgiving Hodie (Hodie is Latin for "Today")

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.

Kyrie Confession

Lord, you give us this good earth,
yet we take your generous gifts for granted.

Lord, you give us this good earth,
but we squander its rich resources.

Lord, you give us this good earth,
but we fail to share your bounty with all of your children.

Kyrie Eleison (*Sung*)

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

The Collect of the Day

Creator of the fruitful earth
you made us stewards of all things.
Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness,
and steadfast wills to use your bounty well,

**that the whole human family,
today and in generations to come,
may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy 8:7-18

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land—a land with brooks, streams, and deep springs gushing out into the valleys and hills; a land with wheat and barley, vines and fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey; a land where bread will not be scarce and you will lack nothing; a land where the rocks are iron and you can dig copper out of the hills. When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

After the reading

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (65)

**Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion;
to you our vows will be fulfilled.
You who answer prayer,
to you all people will come.
When we were overwhelmed by sins,
you forgave our transgressions.
Blessed are those you choose
and bring near to live in your courts!
We are filled with the good things of your house,
of your holy temple.**

**You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds,
God our Saviour,
the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas,
who formed the mountains by your power,
having armed yourself with strength,
who stilled the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
and the turmoil of the nations.
The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders;**

**where morning dawns, where evening fades,
you call forth songs of joy.**

**You care for the land and water it;
you enrich it abundantly.
The streams of God are filled with water
to provide the people with grain,
for so you have ordained it.
You drench its furrows and level its ridges;
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.
You crown the year with your bounty,
and your carts overflow with abundance.
The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;
the hills are clothed with gladness.
The meadows are covered with flocks
and the valleys are mantled with grain;
they shout for joy and sing.**

The Psalm Prayer

Gracious God,
**joy marks your presence; beauty, abundance, and peace are the tokens of your work in all creation.
Work also in our lives, that by these signs we may see the splendour of your love and praise you
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Second Reading

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-15

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written:

**"They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever."**

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

After the reading

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

As you are able, please stand.

The Proclamation of the Gospel

Gospel Hymn *CP262 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

**Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin;
God, our maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied:
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home!**

Please remain standing for the reading of the Gospel

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke (17:11-19)
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

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

We sing:

**All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and weeds together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.**

The Sermon

(A brief silence for reflection)

We stand and face the cross.

The Apostles' Creed

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

We pray for the world, the church and ourselves, assuming whatever physical position helps us to pray (remain standing, kneel, or sit).

The response to the intercessions will be:
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Offerings of Thanksgiving

During this time, everyone is encouraged to come to the lectern to offer a word of thanksgiving.

For the colour and forms of your creation
And our place within it.
We bring our thanks, God our creator.

For all whose lives teach us
the disciplines of gratitude
we bring our thanks, God our creator.

For the life we have been given,
and for all those whom you have given us to share it,
we bring our thanks, God our creator.

You are invited to stand as you are able.

The Peace

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.

Please turn to the people near you and offer a sign of God's peace.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

The offering of money is a sign of our gratitude for God's blessing of our lives, collected in the plates placed at the front and back of the church before the service. The offering plates will not be passed during the service.

Offertory Hymn *My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness*

**My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who bore my pain;
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
and gave me life again;
who crushed my curse of sinfulness
and clothed me with His light
and wrote His law of righteousness
with pow'r upon my heart.**

**My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who walks beside;
who floods my weaknesses
with strength
and causes fears to fly.
Whose ev'ry promise is enough
for ev'ry step I take.
Sustaining me with arms of love
and crowning me with grace.**

**My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who reigns above;
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth
is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all,
to love and follow Him.**

**For ev'ry day I have on earth
is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all,
to love and follow Him.**

Please remain standing as you are able.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Let us pray:

Source of all life,
**the heaven and earth are yours,
yet you have given us dominion over all things.
Receive the symbols of our labour and love
which we offer you this day,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.
It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right in all times and in all places
to thank and praise you, Creator of all.
We praise you here, where the Otonabee flows,
where village and farm,
wilderness and industry, are side by side.
We praise you at a time when the body of the earth
is broken again and again.

We give you thanks for our place in the story of salvation.
Our ancestors journeyed with you in creation and migration. They depended on the land, were displaced
from the land
and displaced others from their lands.
They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains and by wells,
in families and in dreams, and through wilderness prophets
who spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.
Together with angels and ancestors, Heron and Trout,
Sumac and Sugar Maple, we join our voices with all creation
in this ancient honour song:

**Holy, most holy all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom for ever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessèd, most blessèd, all blessèd is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

We give thanks to you for Jesus, whose first bed was a feed trough. He was baptized in the Jordan, tested
in the wilderness, he traveled in fishing boats and told parables of farmers and seeds, labour and wages,
yeast and bread.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, food of the poor, the work of field and hearth, he gave
thanks, broke it
and gave it to his friends saying: "Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me."

Again, after supper he took the cup of wine, fruit of the land, gave thanks, and gave it to his friends saying:
"This is my blood, which is shed for you. When you do this, do it in memory of me."
Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection and awaiting his coming kingdom, we offer you this bread
and this cup.

Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts so that we know Jesus in them and are gathered together with
everyone who shares this sacred meal of justice and community. Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that we may strive for justice and peace, respect the dignity of every human being, and safeguard the
integrity of creation.

Bring us with all your saints to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily, child and beggar, which is both now
and yet to come.

All honor and glory are yours, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

Amen.

A brief silence is kept and the congregation sits or kneels.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we 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

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
Whoever believes in me will never thirst."
**Taste and see that the Lord is good;
Happy are they who trust in him!**

The Communion

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

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Spiritual Communion

For those who are worshipping with us online, we invite you to make your spiritual communion, by inviting Jesus into your heart, saying "Come, Lord Jesus."

Everyone is welcome to receive communion, for this is the table of the Lord. As you come to the altar rail, feel free to kneel or remain standing as is best for you.

Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine may indicate this to the bread administrator by placing a hand to your heart.

Communion can be brought to you in your seat if that's easier for you.

Special prayer will be offered during communion at the back of the sanctuary for those who wish to be prayed for.

Communion Hymns

Hymn *Lord from your Hand*

Lord from Your hand I take the bread,
and from Your cup I drink the wine.
You serve forgiveness for my need.
You serve Your holy life for mine.

Now from Your lips I hear the words:
"This is My Body and My blood."
I see the mercy in Your eyes.
I see the pain. I see the love.

I see the cross. I see your face.
My God, what agony and grief!
I see You suffer as You die.
I hear you pray. It is for me.

O Jesus, Saviour, Holy God!
I live and breathe in your embrace!
Lord, ev'ry moment draw my heart
to love and serve You face to face.

Hymn *Be Still and Know*

Be still and know that I am God,
Be still and know that I am God,
Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee,
I am the Lord that healeth thee,
I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In You, O Lord, I put my trust,
In You, O Lord, I put my trust,
In You, O Lord, I put my trust.

Hymn *Jesus, Name above all Names*

Jesus, name above all names,
beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
blessed Redeemer, living Word.

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Hymn *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.**

***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!'***

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.
Give thanks.
Give thanks.**

The Community is Sent Out

Please stand as you are able.

The Prayer after Communion

Let us pray:

God of our hope,
**in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings.
Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives,
give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

The 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.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn CP 86 More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

**More than we can ask or imagine,
more than we can ever dare to dream,
we are the children of heaven's creation,
God's own beloved, each called by name.
*And we cry, Glory! Glory!
Glory to God who calls us by name!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we sing!***

**More than we will ever imagine,
more than we will ever understand;
we are sent to walk with compassion,
to live out God's love by heart and by hand.
*And we cry, Glory! Glory!
Glory to God who presses us on!
Glory! Glory!
Glory to God! Glory our song!***

More than we can ask or imagine,
more than we could ever desire;
out of the dust God's building a kingdom,
like wine from the press, like bread from the fire.

*And we cry, Glory! Glory!
Glory to God! Glory we cry!
Glory on earth, Glory on high!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry!
Glory! Glory! Glory on earth! Glory on high!
Glory on earth! Glory on high!*

Send Us Out

Send us out in the power of Your Spirit, Lord.
May our lives show Jesus to the world.
May each thought and word bring glory to Your name.
Send us out in Your Spirit, Lord, we pray.

The Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God

Our Leaders Today

<i>Celebrant & Preacher</i>	The Rev. Canon Susan Spicer
<i>Pianist & Music Director</i>	Linda Parsons
<i>Organist</i>	Sylvia Amesbury
<i>Crucifer</i>	
<i>Reader</i>	Bette Holder
<i>Intercessor</i>	Phil Winslow
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