



## Harvest Thanksgiving 2025

Dear Friends,

As autumn deepens and the days shorten, there comes a moment—often just before dusk—when the light softens and everything seems to glow. The Cathedral's windows catch that sunset, and for a few fleeting minutes, stone and glass are filled with gold. It is a reminder that even as one season fades, another is quietly taking shape, full of promise.

Thanksgiving invites us to linger in that light: to see not only what is passing, but what endures—the steady grace of God, the gift of community, the simple abundance of daily life. Like the sunset reflected in the Cathedral's windows, gratitude has a way of transforming what we see. It turns the ordinary into the luminous.

This season, I invite you to reflect on the blessings that have shaped your year—the kindness of others, the strength found in faith, the comfort of this Cathedral community—and to respond with generosity. Your gifts sustain the worship, music, outreach, and welcome that make Christ Church Cathedral a place of hope and renewal for many.

Whether your offering is large or small, given once or given regularly, it becomes part of something greater: a reflection of thanksgiving that reaches beyond any one of us.

May the light of this season warm your heart and your home. And may gratitude—like that sunset glow—linger long after the day is done.

With thanksgiving,

The Very Reverend Beth Bretzlaff  
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