

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Thank you for worshipping with us tonight as we celebrate Thanksgiving together. The service is designed to give each of us ways to express our own thanksgiving to God.

A nursery is provided for preschoolers in Building B — the service should be enjoyable for school age children. We are grateful to the Sanctuary Choir for singing at tonight's service, for our musicians, and Kenzie Hopkins, our Green Worship Team leader.

We wish you, your family, and friends a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving celebration. Enjoy the good food and the opportunity to be together with those you love. Be mindful of those who are alone or grieving this Thanksgiving. Be sure to offer thanks to God with words, of course, but also with a commitment to live and love in gratitude.



THANKSGIVING SERVICE

*“Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name.
— Psalm 103:1*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100

*Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness;
Come before Him with joyful singing. Know that the Lord Himself is God;
It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the
sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with
praise. Give thanks to Him; bless His name. For the Lord is good;
His lovingkindness is everlasting, and His faithfulness to all generations.
— Psalm 100*

THANKSGIVING HYMN OF GATHERING — No. 61

“We Gather Together” — Baker/Kremser

RESPONSIVE LITANY — “Give Thanks to God” No. 370

*INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

SPECIAL MUSIC — “Now Thank We All Our God” Youth and Adult Ensemble

THE CHILDREN’S SERMON

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING — No. 372

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

THE INSTITUTION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

THE ACTS OF WORSHIP

- * Place an offering in the offering plate for the ministries of our church.
- * Go to the windows to write poems, prayers and requests on the leaves and place them on the windows.
- * Place an offering in the wooden mangers to feed the hungry.
- * Light a votive candle as an act of prayer.
- * Dip your fingers in water to be reminded of your baptism.
- * Receive from a minister the anointing of oil as a sign of the Spirit.
- * Enjoy the beauty of the sanctuary, meditate, and pray.
- * Speak a word of blessing to someone.

ANTHEM — “Give Thanks” arr. Baker The Sanctuary Choir

HOMILY — “When You Have Eaten Your Fill” Deuteronomy 8:7-18

*CLOSING THANKSGIVING HYMN No. 341 “For the Beauty of the Earth” — Pierpoint-Kocher

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION — “Doxology”

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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