



DAY OF THANKSGIVING

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AS WE GATHER

Thanksgiving can be a time when families come together to celebrate and give thanks to God for all that He has given us. These times of celebration can also be times of tension, stress, and conflict due to challenges in the relationships. Thanksgiving can also be a time of loss as we grieve those who are no longer with us. In all these things, we gather to give thanks to the God who has created all people and who desires all people to be saved through the knowledge of the saving truth about His Son, Jesus.

WELCOME

HYMN *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”* LSB 809

1 **Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
 There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
 Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
 As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.
 Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
 Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

2 **Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
 Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
 Join with all nature in manifold witness
 To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
 Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
 Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

3 **Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
 Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
 Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
 Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
 Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
 Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30, 33*

P O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom have You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.
C **These all look to You, to give them their food in due season.**

P When You give it to them, they gather it up;
C **when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.**

P When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created, and You renew the face of the ground.
C **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;**

P I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *1 Timothy 2:1, 4*

P Today is Thanksgiving, a day we set aside as a nation to give thanks to our God who graciously gives us all things. In one of Paul’s letters to Timothy, he urges that “supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.” For each one of us there are people we struggle to be thankful for.

C **We confess our struggles and our sins to God, seeking His forgiveness through Jesus Christ.**

Silence for personal confession

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P God created this world and everything in it, including all of the people who live in it. According to God's gracious will, He "desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." Here's the truth: God loves the people of this world so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, into the world so that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life. By the command of Christ and through the power of the cross, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Now Thank We All Our God" LSB 895

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| <p>1 Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today.</p> <p>3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.</p> | <p>2 Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next!</p> |
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SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Gracious God, You provide us all we need for our bodies and lives. Lead us by Your Holy Spirit to see and be thankful for all of the blessings You give us, thanking You with our lips and our lives; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 8:1-10

(God's instructions for His people as they prepare to enter the Promised Land)

"The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ²And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. ⁴Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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PSALM *Psalms 67; antiphon: v. 7*

R May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us,
C **that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.**

R Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!
C **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

R Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!
C **The earth has yielded its increase;**

R God, our God, shall bless us.
C **God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear Him!**

EPISTLE *1 Timothy 2:1–4* (*Give thanks for all.*)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

R This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 17:11–19 (Jesus healed ten lepers, and only one thanked Him.)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying,
C **“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.”**

P When He saw them He said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” And He said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY *“We Praise You, O God”* *LSB 785*

<p>1 We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; In grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You; We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.</p> <p>3 With voices united our praises we offer And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise. With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us. To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!</p>	<p>2 We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You; Through trial and tempest our guide You have been. When perils o’ertake us, You will not forsake us, And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.</p>
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SERMON *“Remember”* *Chaplain Mike Sneath*

CATECHISM *The First Article*

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P What does this mean?

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C I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

OFFERING and CONNECTION CARDS

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OFFERTORY *LSB 781, verses 1-2*

1 We give Thee but Thine own,
 Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
 A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2 May we Thy bounties thus
 As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
 To Thee our firstfruits give!

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Thank You, Lord,

C **for food, health, clothing, and our homes.**

P Thank You, Lord,

C **for the many freedoms we enjoy in this land.**

P Thank You, Lord,

C **for leaders, teachers, preachers, family, and friends.**

P Thank You, Lord,

C **for the gifts You give to Your Church,**

P Thank You, Lord,

C **for Baptism, the Lord's Supper, forgiveness, grace, hope, and Your Word.**

Silence for giving thanks to God

P Thank You, Lord, for Jesus Christ, Your only Son, through whom You give us the gifts of forgiveness and eternal life in Your kingdom.

C **Thanks be to God. Amen!**

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, who created this world and everything in it—all of the people and all who dwell in it. In Your tremendous love for Your creation, You sent Your one and only Son into this world so that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life. You did not send Your Son into this world to condemn it, but to save it. As He is risen from the dead, He has set us free and secured us a place in Your kingdom. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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SANCTUS (p. 178 in hymnal)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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P Holy are You, O Lord, God Almighty, for You have not only created this world and everyone in it, but You also sent Your Son to redeem it. As we gather at Your Table, we receive the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, which was poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins as it comes to us in, with, and under bread and wine for us to eat and drink. Grant that this bread of heaven and cup of salvation strengthen our faith and lead us to live lives of thankfulness in response to Your grace.

C **Thanks be to God. Amen!**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

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 and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI (p. 180 in hymnal)

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee” *LSB 632*

1 **O Jesus, blessèd Lord, to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.**

2 **Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!**

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“For the Fruits of His Creation”

LSB 894

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| <p>1 For the fruits of His creation,
Thanks be to God.
For His gifts to ev’ry nation,
Thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
Silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth’s safekeeping,
Thanks be to God.</p> | <p>2 In the just reward of labor,
God’s will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God’s will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
For the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing,
God’s will is done.</p> | <p>3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
Thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
Thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us,
Thanks be to God.</p> |
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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

(p. 181 in hymnal)

**Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell everyone what He has done.
Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Psalm 106:1

P Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,
C for His steadfast love endures forever!

P We thank You, Lord God, for the heavenly blessings You have given us in this Meal of Your Son’s body and blood, which You have given us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. Lead us by Your Spirit to live lives of thankfulness in all of our relationships, and, empowered by Your grace, to reveal Your saving truth to the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

Psalm 67:1; Numbers 6:24–26

P May God be gracious to us and bless us
C and make His face to shine upon us.

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LSB 643

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| <p>1 Sent forth by God’s blessing,
Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended.
O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching,
Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us,
His love shall unite us
To work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.</p> | <p>2 With praise and thanksgiving
To God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev’ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us,
With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.</p> |
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POSTLUDE

Piano – Pam Sneath

Vocal Leader – Lynn

Preaching – Chaplain Sneath