

Thanksgiving Worship



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Nov. 24, 2021

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

5:00 pm

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Bart Roush & Mary Koon

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship *(adapted from Richard Bott)*

From the eagles' aerie, to the fishes' deep –
from the color drenched leaves, to the frost covered street
with our lips, with our hearts, with our hands, with our feet –
we sing out, “ALLELUIA!” we laugh out, “HOSANNA!”
we shout out, “THANK YOU, LOVING GOD!”

For all that was.

For all that is.

For all that will be.

Alleluia. Hosanna! THANK YOU, LOVING GOD!

For all that we were.

For all that we are.

For all that we could be!

Alleluia. Hosanna! THANK YOU, LOVING GOD!

So, together we sing...

Let it be.

Together we say...

May it always be so.

Together we shout...

AMEN!

Hymn

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

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¹ 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.

² All the world is God's own field,
fruit in thankful praise to yield,
wheat and tares 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.

⁴ Even so, Lord, quickly come
to thy final harvest home.
Gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there forever purified,
in thy presence to abide:
come, with all thine angels, come;
raise the glorious harvest home!

We Listen for God's Word

Scripture

Psalm 100 (NT: p. 552 | LPNT: p. 679)

We Give Thanks

Sarajane & Rod Myers

Anthem

“Give Thanks”

We Give Thanks

Dave Johnson

Hymn

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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¹ For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God. For the gifts to every 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.

We Give Thanks

Stephen Jones

Hymn

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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² In the just reward of labor, God's will be done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will be done. In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will be done.

Scripture

Colossians 3:12–15 (NT: p. 201 | LPNT: p. 246)

We Give Thanks

Kathy Howell

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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.

**Other options include: Creator or Mother*

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.**

We Go Forth in God’s Name

Benediction (*adapted from a benediction by Bruce Prewer*)

Let us leave this time of worship with praise on our lips and thanksgiving in our hearts.

O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love stands firm forever.

Let thanksgiving enhance the joys you experience,
let thanksgiving transcend the pains you may suffer,
let thanksgiving sweeten the duties you must perform,
let thanksgiving underpin even the griefs you may have to endure.

O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love stands firm forever.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be yours now and forever. Go in peace... and drive over to Oak Grove for a piece of pie!

Amen!

Postlude

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Additional participants in worship today include:

Vocalists: **Don Alman, Becky Dop, Karen Gerdes & Dick Nichols;**

Organist: **Nancy Hauser** | Pianist: **Judy Cooper;**

Sound, Light, Video: **Bob Gerdes, Greg Johnson & Randy Dop**