

# Thanksgiving Eve Service

November 23, 2022 - 7 p.m.

Pre-service Bell Music “Give Thanks” (Smith/Bettcher)

Welcome & Announcements + *please silence cell phones* +

Prelude “Thanks Be To Thee” (Handel)

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come *LSB 892*

*Stand*

Invocation

Psalm of Thanksgiving - Psalm 100 (spoken responsively)

**P** Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**C** Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

**P** Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his;

**C** we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

**P** Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

**C** give thanks to him and praise his name.

**P** For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;

**C** his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Almighty God, our Father, Your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of Your Spirit lead us to acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

*Sit*

Bible Readings

Deuteronomy 8:10-18 “Do not forget the Lord”

Philippians 4:10-13 “Contentment through Christ”

Choir Anthem “What Shall I Render To My God?” (Lovelace)

*Stand*

## **Thanksgiving Gospel**

Luke 17:11-19 “Only one said ‘Thank you’”

## **Our Statement of Faith**

(1<sup>st</sup> Article of the Creed with Luther’s explanation)

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

**P** What does this mean?

**C** I believe that God has created me and all that exists. He has given me and still preserves my body and soul with all their powers. He provides me with food and clothing, home and family, daily work, and all I need from day to day. God also protects me in time of danger and guards me from every evil. All this He does out of fatherly and divine goodness and mercy, though I do not deserve it. Therefore I surely ought to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

*Sit*

**We Praise You, O God**

*LSB 785*

## **Thanksgiving Message**

**The Offering** - *may be placed in offering boxes near exits*

## **A Time for Sharing of Personal Thanks**

## **Thanksgiving Prayer - The Lord’s Prayer**

## **The Lord’s Supper - Words of Jesus - Distribution**

**Communion Music**      “How Can I Thank You, Lord?”  
(German/Schalk)

## **Benediction**

**Sing to the Lord of Harvest**

*LSB 895*

**Postlude**      “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”  
(Bourgeois/Post)

## Thanksgiving in the United States

In the Fall of 1863 President Lincoln initiated the annual observance of the holiday we call Thanksgiving. It was a time when the harvest was not plentiful, when peace seemed distant. The Civil War alerted America to the fragile nature of everyday blessings.

In the midst of the turmoil and bloodshed, Lincoln called for a national day of prayer and thanksgiving. Though the hour was dark, Americans could still be called back to the simple faith of their childhood.

We as a country have a long history of acknowledging the One who is the giver of all good things. At the very beginning of our country, the Declaration of Independence appealed to the Creator to justify our existence as a nation. We Christians know that our Creator is also our Redeemer and Sanctifier, and He is the One who deserves our praise and thanks today. So, along with millions of other Christians, we give thanks to our Lord today.

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Rev. Steve Eaton  
Rev. Roger Stites  
Pat Marcy, Organist  
7 p.m.

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**Church Christmas Decorating** – this Sat., Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> at 9 am

**Christmas Gift Card Mission** – Sign up to purchase a gift card in the narthex. (Cards are due back by Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>.)

**Advent Mid-week Services** begin next Wed. Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm  
Prior to the service, all are invited to a Soup Supper at 5:45 pm.

**Christmas Bazaar Items** are for sale by donation in the Fellowship Hall.