



Sunday, November 20, 2022

Thanksgiving Service

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who redeems us in Christ Jesus,
whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

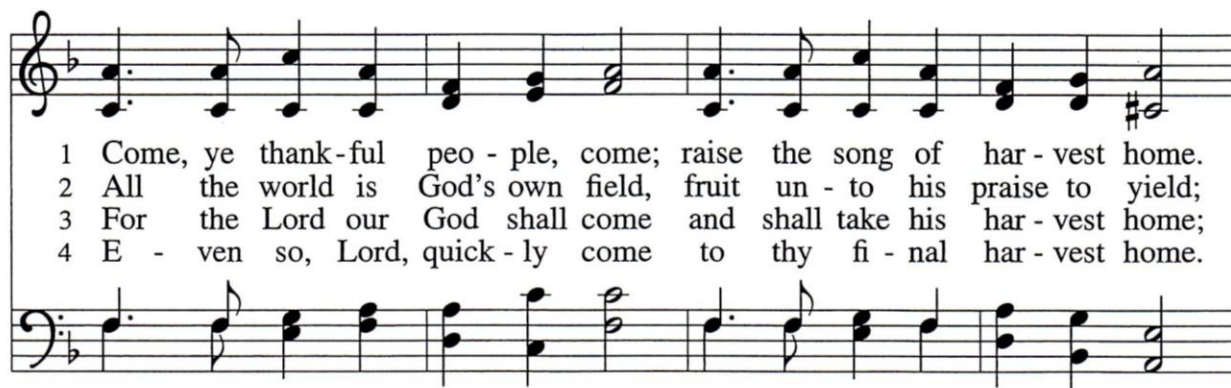
Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
and our neighbors.
We have ignored voices
that call for your justice.
We have neglected actions
that witness to your righteousness.
We have spoken and acted
in ways that disrupt your beloved community.
We truly repent of things we have done
and left undone.
For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Restore our troubled spirits,
so that we may live in newness,
follow the way of the Spirit,
and build up the body of Christ.
Amen.**

Rejoice and be glad!
God hears the prayers of all who cry out,
and restores us to life through the death
and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

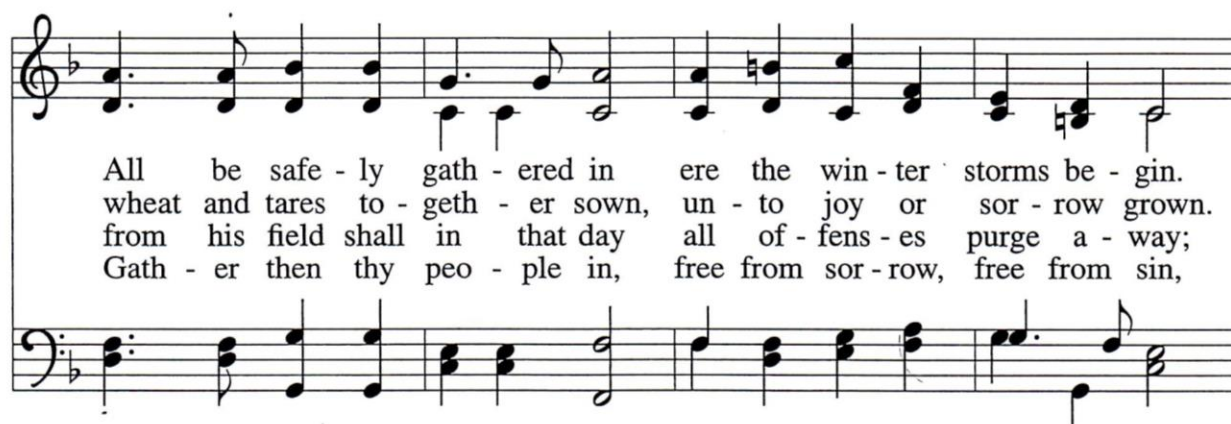
Opening Hymn: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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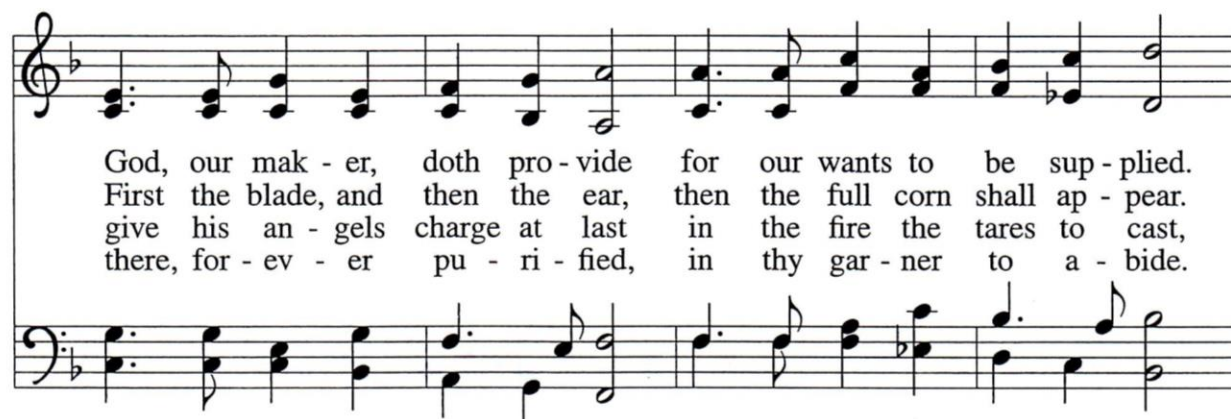
Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



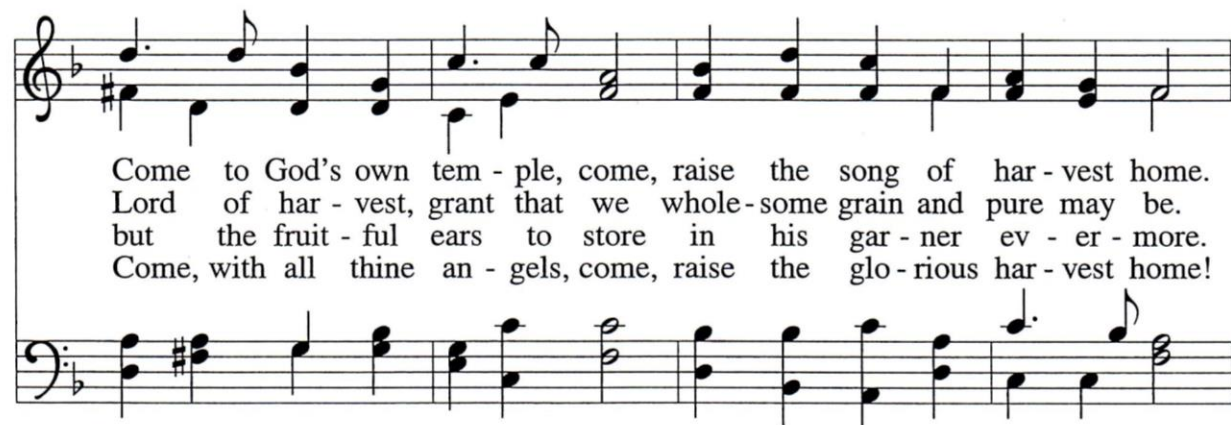
1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
 Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



Give Thanks

Words and Music by
Henry Smith

♩ = 80

CHORUS

Am/C F C/E Dm

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, _ give thanks to the

4 Am B♭ F/A F E♭

Ho - ly One; _ Give thanks _ be-cause He's giv - en Je - sus Christ, _ His

8 1. Gm⁷/C C⁷ Am/C 2, 3. Gm⁷/C C⁷ C/B♭ Am⁷ **VERSE** Dm⁷ C/D Dm⁷

Son. _ Give Son. _ And now let the weak say, "I am

12 Gm⁷ B♭/C C B♭/D C/E Fmaj⁷ Am/E Dm⁷ C/D Dm⁷

strong," let the poor say, "I am rich" be-cause of what the Lord has

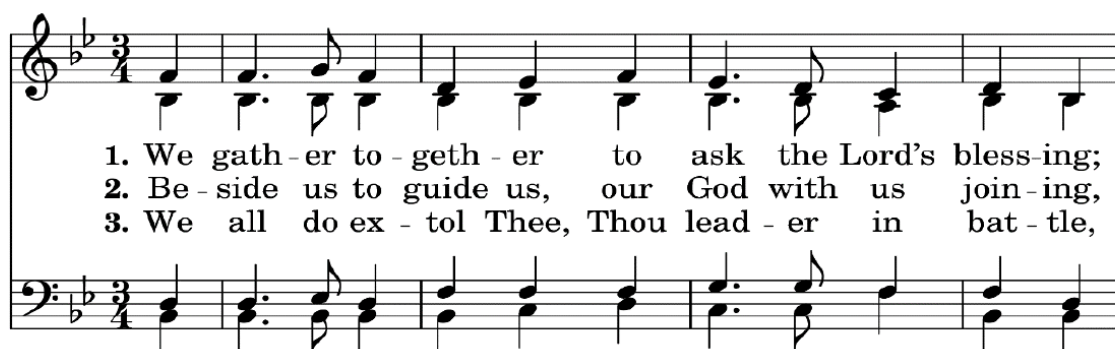
16 Last time to Coda E♭ E♭/D 1. Gm⁷/C C⁷ C/B♭ 2. Gm⁷/C C⁷ Am/C D.S. al Coda

done for _ us; _ And us. _ Give

19 Coda **ENDING** Gm⁷/C C⁷ B♭/C F Fmaj⁷ Gm⁷/F F

us. Give thanks. _

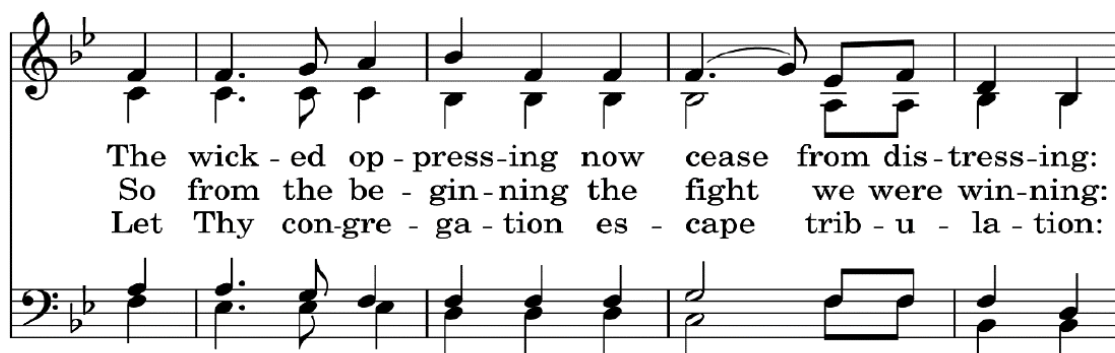
We Gather Together



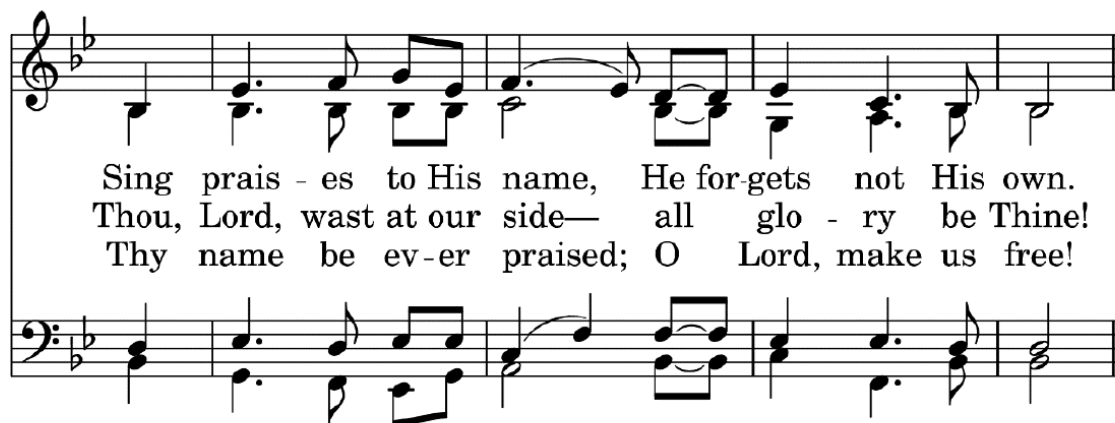
1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
 2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
 3. We all do ex - tol Thee, Thou lead - er in bat - tle,



He chas - tens and has - tens His will to make known;
 Or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing His king - dom di - vine;
 And pray that Thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.



The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing:
 So from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning:
 Let Thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion:



Sing prais - es to His name, He for - gets not His own.
 Thou, Lord, wast at our side— all glo - ry be Thine!
 Thy name be ev - er praised; O Lord, make us free!

Prayer of the Day

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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100

¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

³**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

⁴Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's holy name.

⁵Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-9

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel: John 6:25-35

The holy gospel according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵When [the disciples] found [Jesus] on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: For the Fruit of All Creation

No. 679



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For the Fruit of All Creation

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he was descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

We give thanks for the church in every land. Sustain the faithful with your living word. Inspire radical hospitality toward all who are searching, and call us into a more generous way of living. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

We give thanks for the earth. Bring forth plentiful harvests and renew our commitment to share abundantly. Preserve the lands and waters that bring nourishment (*local water sources may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

We give thanks for leaders in our communities. Kindle a passion for justice and peace in every national and local elected official. Curb selfish impulses and guide us toward collaborative solutions. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

We give thanks for all who provide for others. Sustain caregivers, social workers, and volunteers in their efforts (*individuals, congregational ministries, or local organizations may be named*). Provide homes, food, employment, and medical care to all who are struggling. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We give thanks for this congregation and those who plan worship. Guide deacons, pastors, musicians, and lay leaders in their creation of meaningful experiences. Instill in us a sense of joy and wonder when we come to worship you. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks for the faithful who now rest in you (*especially Justus Falckner, Jehu Jones, and William Passavant, pastors in North America, whom we commemorate today*). Teach us by their example and bring us with them into your loving embrace. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

The Meal

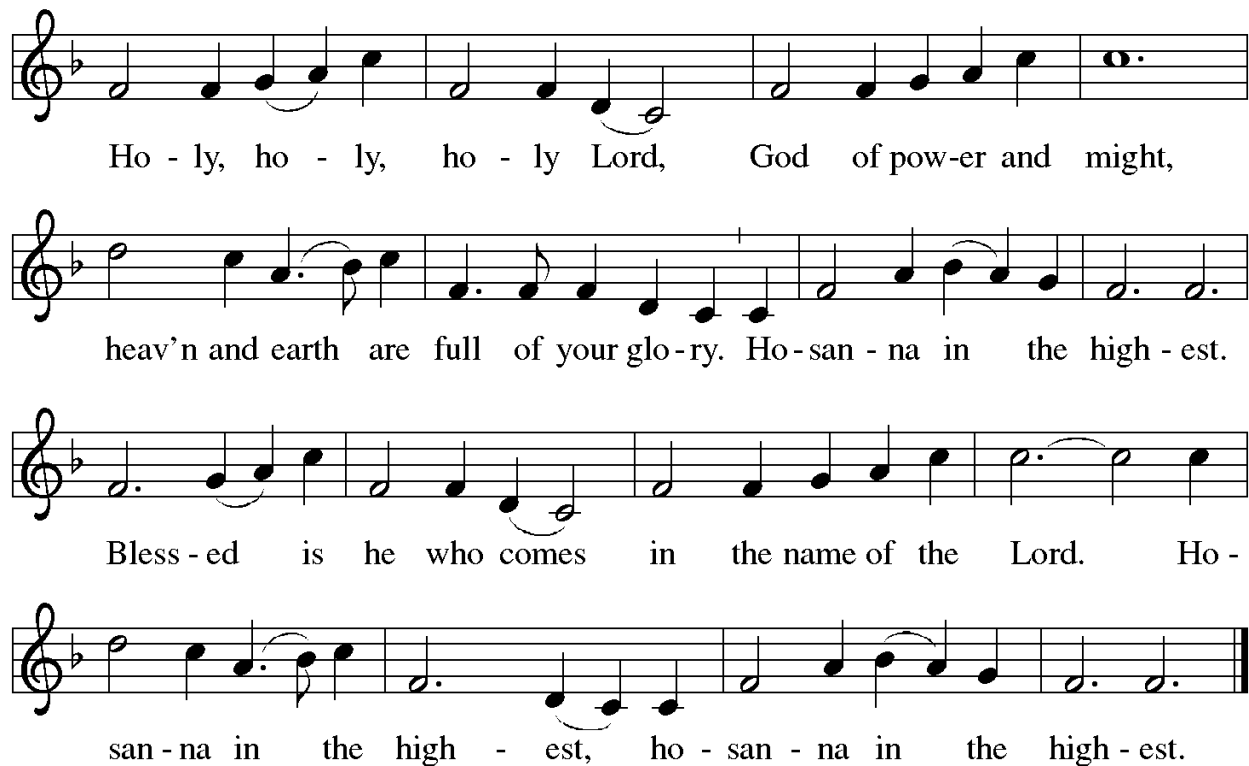
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your Hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us Give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is Right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God.
You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God,
ever to be adored in your eternal glory.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Next Page



You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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. 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 forever.
Amen.**

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Communion

Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

**Communion Hymns: All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly
O Living Bread from Heaven**

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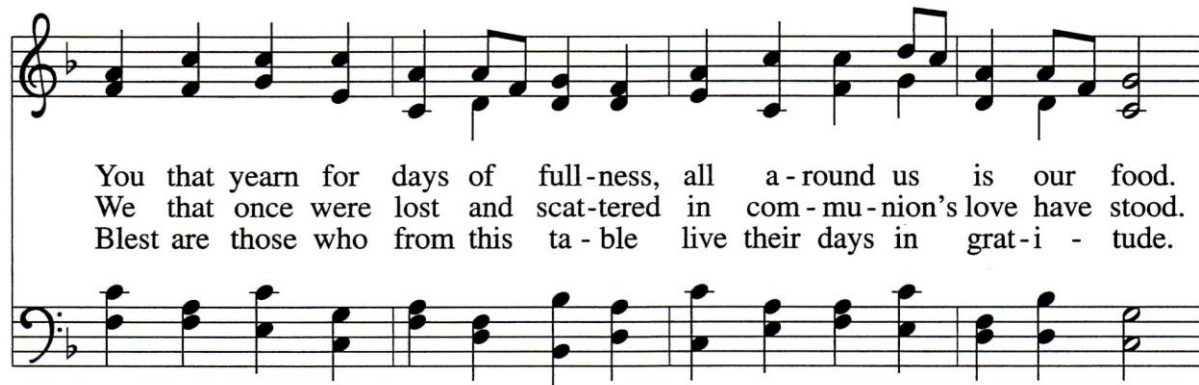
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



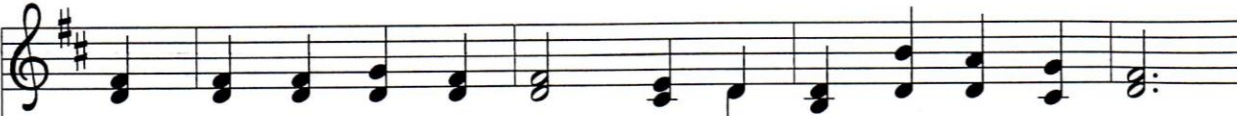
You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.




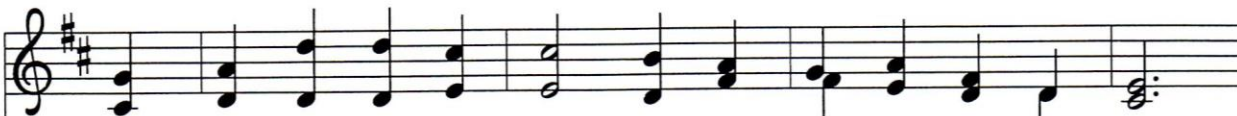
Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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O Living Bread from Heaven





1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
 2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
 4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here

The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
 and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
 And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
 my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;

O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
 for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
 My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
 and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,

My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
 the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
 and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
 where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.




Table Blessing

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, most gracious God,
that you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and given us a foretaste of Paradise.
Enliven us to be your body in the world
and to serve those who are in need;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Blessing

The God of peace,
who creates all things and calls them good,
who makes us alive in Jesus,
and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

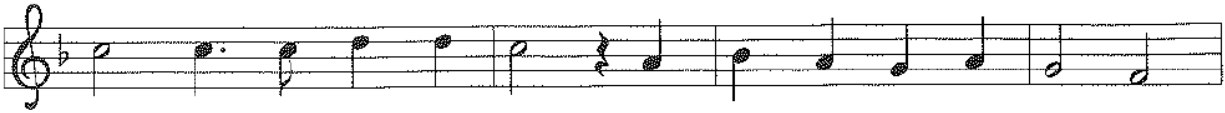
Closing Hymn: Now Thank We All Our God

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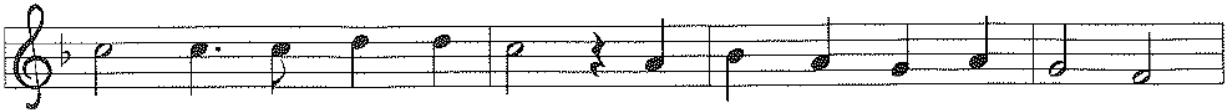


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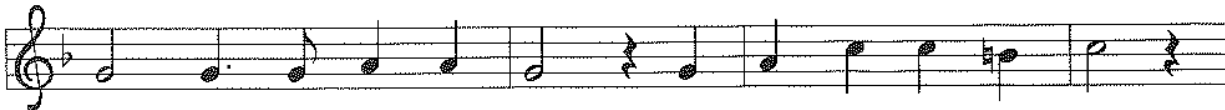
Now Thank We All Our God



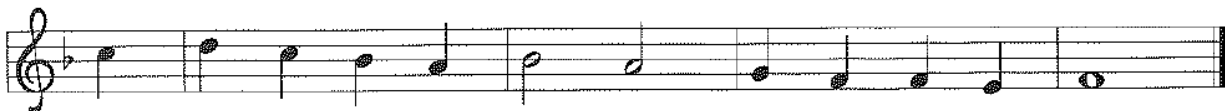
1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,



who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Pastor Ralph Schibler; still fighting sciatica pain;
 For all directly or indirectly effected by Hurricane Ian, Wildfires, Mass Shootings
 happening nationwide and Ukraine Crisis;
 FAITH members, including; Ruby Stierhoff;
 the staff and students of Trinity Lutheran Seminary;
 personnel of the Sandusky Post of the Ohio Highway Patrol.

AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

At 8:00...

Interim Pastor:	Pastor Cathy Schibler
Lectors:	Guy Miller
Communion Assistant:	Guy Miller
Acolyte:	Zane Warner
Usher:	Rex Stierhoff

At 10:30...

Interim Pastor:	Pastor Cathy Schibler
Lectors:	Candy Beatty
Communion Assistant:	Candy Beatty
Acolyte:	Mason Russell
Usher:	Charles Howard

November Altar Care: Betty Miller, Janis Miller, Cathy Wobser

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God by Denny & Barb Sessler in honor of their Trinity family wishing all a Blessed Holiday Season.

ATTENDANCE

November 13 = 63 + 29 = 92

DONATIONS TO OUR “PENNY JUG” support the global relief and habilitation efforts of ELCA World Hunger, a mission of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

THIS MORNING’S LOOSE CASH OFFERING (money not in an envelope or given without other designation) benefits Current Expenses. **LOOSE CHECKS** will support our Current Expenses Fund unless designated otherwise on the check memo line.



This Week at Trinity

TODAY	Communion Services Sunday School Senior Thanksgiving Meal	8:00 am & 10:30 am 9:15 am 11:45 am
MONDAY	Dartball V1 @ Castalia V2 @ Norwalk	7:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	7:00 pm
THURSDAY	Thanksgiving Day	Office Closed
FRIDAY	Day after Thanksgiving	Office Closed
SATURDAY	"We All Belong" (Narcotics Anon.)	11:00 am
SUNDAY	Worship Service Sunday School	8:00 am & 10:30 am 9:15 am

THERE WILL BE NO THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE THIS YEAR.
Thanksgiving worship service will take place today.

OUR ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be on Sunday, December 11 during the 9:30 am worship service.

A HOLIDAY BRUNCH will be held on December 4 after the 9:30 am worship service hosted by the Congregational Life Committee. This is a free meal so come enjoy some social time. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the educational wing.

THANK YOU to all who took an ornament off the Project Share tree. Please return them today unwrapped with the ornament attached to the basket outside the pastor's office in the hallway.

ALL DECEMBER SUNDAY'S AND NEW YEAR'S DAY WILL BE ONLY ONE SERVICE THIS YEAR AT 9:30 AM. SUNDAY SCHOOL will start at 9:00 am and if finished before service ends the children will be taken upstairs to their parents. There will be NO Sunday school on December 25.

SERVING OUR SENIORS is looking to find one volunteer to drive ONE senior to ONE doctor's appointment, ONE time a month. At any time, you or a family member might need this service and we'd like to keep this program running. Are you the ONE? Please call Serving Our Seniors at 419-624-1856.

Cards for Pastor Ralph can be sent to:

Ralph Schibler
4864 E Schoolhouse Rd
Port Clinton OH 43452-3120

PASTOR RALPH would like to thank everyone for their prayers and cards. They have been really appreciated.

POINSETTIA ORDERS ARE BEING TAKEN AGAIN THIS YEAR. Please have your order and payment into the church office by December 12.



Firelands Chorus, Inc.

presents

Songs for the Season



Directed by Jeffrey Kearney
Accompanied by Morgan Noon

**Friday, December 9th &
Saturday, December 10th, 2022**

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

Concert at 7:30 p.m.

Zion Lutheran Church

**503 Columbus Avenue
Sandusky, Ohio**

FREE CONCERT ★ FREEWILL OFFERING COLLECTED

POINSETTIAS FOR OUR CHURCH ON CHRISTMAS EVE



Use this order form, attach payment, and place in the offering plate or send to the church office. **Make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church.** All orders must be received in the office **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 at NOON!**

Plants may be taken home following worship service on Christmas Eve.

INDICATE NUMBER AND COLOR OF PLANTS ORDERED
(all are 6" pots)



Check # _____ or Cash

RED	WHITE	PINK	OFFICE CHOICE	TOTAL NO.OF PLANTS	Amount at \$11.00 each

Name: _____

DEDICATION for CHRISTMAS EVE BULLETIN:
