

November 25, 2020

Thanksgiving Eve

In All Circumstances



His Love Endures Forever!

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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love** and Forgiveness.***

Hymn: *Come, You Thankful People, Come* CW # 613 Stz 1 & 2



1 Come, you thank - ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of
2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to his



har - vest - home. All be safe - ly gath - ered in
praise to yield; Wheat and weeds to - geth - er sown,



Ere the win - ter storms be - gin. God our mak - er
Un - to joy or sor - row grown. First the blade and



shall pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied. Come to
then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear. Lord of



God's own tem - ple, come; Raise the song of har - vest - home.
har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.

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Confession and Absolution *(rise)*

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;

C: his greatness, no one can fathom.

L: One generation will commend the work of the Lord to another;

C: We will celebrate the Lord's abundant goodness and joyfully sing of His righteousness.

L: The LORD is faithful to all his promises and loving toward all he has made.

C: The LORD upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

L: The eyes of all look to the Lord, and he gives them their food at the proper time.

C: The Lord opens His hand and satisfies the desires of every living thing.

L: Let us thanks to the LORD and confess our sins to Him.!

C: Almighty God, I confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have neither loved you with all my heart, nor loved others, as I should. I am distressed and troubled by my sins and I am deeply sorry for them. Forgive me, O Lord.

L: The Lord has heard your confession and as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I do forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, † and the Holy Spirit. God has forgiven you, go and sin no more. Amen.

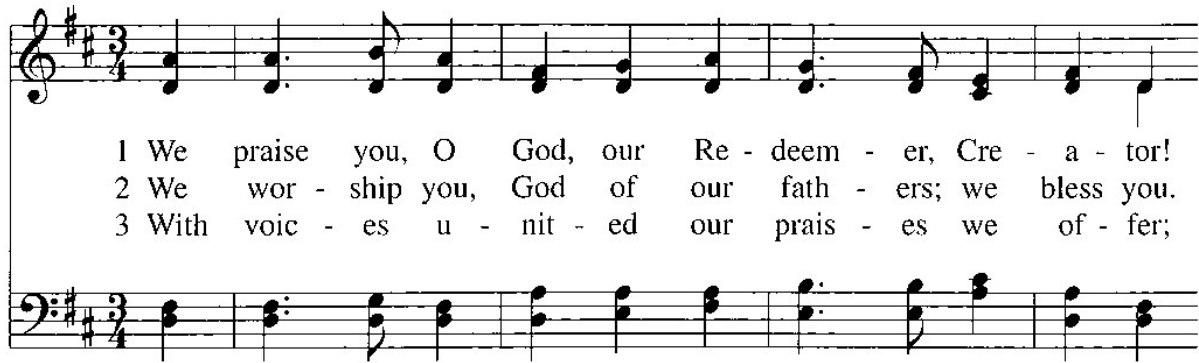
Prayer of Thanksgiving:

L: Almighty God your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, to give thanks for your blessings, and to serve you in willing obedience. All this we ask in Jesus' name who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit as one God now and forever.

C: Amen. *(seated)*

Hymn: *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer* CW # 609

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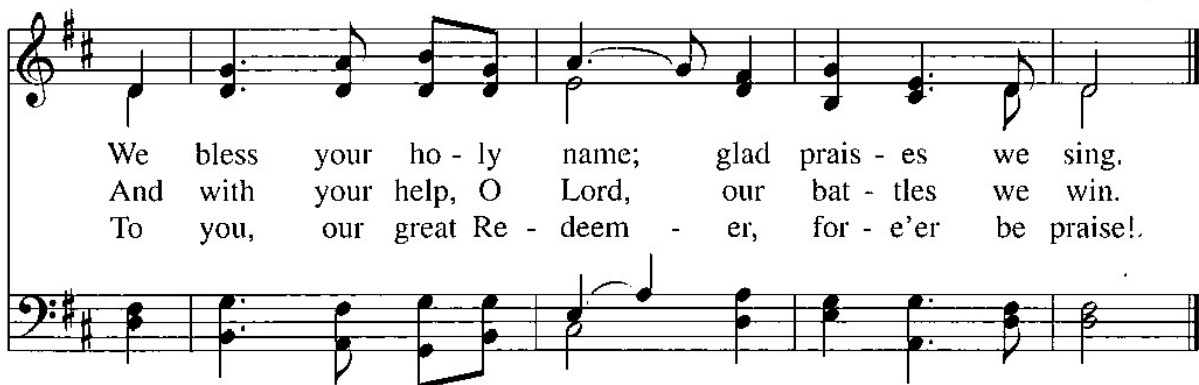
1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor!
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fath - ers; we bless you.
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer;



In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring:
Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been;
To you, great Je - ho - vah, glad an - thems we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
Your strong arm will guide us; our God is be - side us.



We bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
And with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.
To you, our great Re - deem - er, for - e'er be praise!

Lesson 1:

Psalm 136:1-9

L: ¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.

C: His love endures forever.

L: ² Give thanks to the God of gods.

C: His love endures forever.

L: ³ Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

C: His love endures forever.

L: ⁴ to him who alone does great wonders,

C: His love endures forever.

L: ⁵ who by his understanding made the heavens,

C: His love endures forever.

L: ⁶ who spread out the earth upon the waters,

C: His love endures forever.

L: ⁷ who made the great lights—

C: His love endures forever.

L: ⁸ the sun to govern the day,

C: His love endures forever.

L: ⁹ the moon and stars to govern the night;

C: His love endures forever. AMEN

L: The Word of our God

Hymn: Praise to God, Immortal Praise CW # 612 Stz 1

I Praise to God, im - mor - tal praise, For the love that
crowns our days. Boun - teous Source of ev - 'ry joy,
Let your praise our tongues em - ploy. All to you, our
God, we owe, Source whence all our bless - ings flow.

Lesson 2:

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

⁷ To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me.

⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Hymn: *By Grace I'm Saved*..... CW # 384 Stz 1 & 5



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-
5 By grace! On this I'll rest when dy-ing; In Je-sus'

lieve and doubt it not. Why wa-ver at this word of
prom-ise I re-joice. For though I know my heart's con-

prom-ise? Has Scrip-ture ev-er false-hood taught? So then this
di-tion, I al-so know my Sav-ior's voice. My heart is

word must true re-main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob-tain.
glad; all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace a-lone.

Lesson 3:

Romans 5:1-6

¹ Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

³ Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us. ⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Hymn: Faith Is a Living Power from Heaven CW # 404 Stz 1-4

1 Faith is a liv - ing pow'r from heav'n That grasps the
2 Faith finds in Christ what - e'er we need To save or
3 Faith in the Sav - ior brings us peace And bids the
4 We thank you, then, O God of heav'n, That you to

prom - ise God has giv'n, A trust that can - not
strength - en us in - deed, Re - ceiv - ing grace from
mourn - er's weep - ing cease; By faith the chil - dren's
us this faith have giv'n Through might - y Word and

be o'er - thrown, Fixed heart - i - ly on Christ a - lone.
heav - en's throne And hum - bly shar - ing cross and crown.
place we claim And give all hon - or to one name.
sac - ra - ment To trust the one whom you have sent.

Lesson 4:

Hebrews 12:7-11

⁷ Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? ⁸ If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons.

⁹ Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live!

¹⁰ Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness.

¹¹ No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

Hymn: Oh, for a Faith the Will Not Shrink CW # 405 Stz 1 & 2

1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink Though
2 That will not mur - mur nor com - plain Be -
pressed by man - y a foe, That will not trem - ble
neath the chas - t'ning rod, But in the hour of
on the brink Of pov - er - ty or woe,
grief or pain Can lean up - on its God,

Lesson 5:

1 Timothy 6:6-10

⁶ Remember, godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

⁹ People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.

¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

Hymn: For the Fruit of His Creation..... CW # 611

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

For his gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be 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
In our world - wide task of car - ing For the hun - gry and de -
For the won - ders that as - tound us, For the truths that still con -

sleep - ing, Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.
spair - ing, In the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
found us, Most of all that Love has found us, Thanks be to God.

Lesson 6:

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

¹⁶ Be joyful always; ¹⁷ pray continually; ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

¹⁹ Do not put out the Spirit's fire; ²⁰ do not treat prophecies with contempt.

²¹ Test everything. Hold on to the good. ²² Avoid every kind of evil.

²³ May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁴ The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.

Hymn: Savior, I Follow On CW # 473 Stz 1 & 4

1 Sav - ior, I fol - low on, Guid - ed by thee,
4 Sav - ior, I long to walk Clos - er with thee;

See - ing not yet the hand That lead - eth me.
Led by thy guid - ing hand, Ev - er to be

Hushed be my heart and still; Fear I no fur - ther ill.
Con - stant - ly near thy side, Quick - ened and pu - ri - fied,

On - ly to meet thy will My will shall be,
Liv - ing for him who died Free - ly for me.

Prayer: *(rise)* Heavenly Father, when you open your hand, you satisfy the desires of every living thing. This evening, we again thank you for the incomparable kindness of the soul-saving work of Jesus.

And on this evening, made Holy by your word, we ask you to continue to pour out your Spirit on us and to bless us with a faith that seeks first your kingdom and your righteousness.

We also ask you to be with your people wherever they might be on this holiday; to guide the hands of the doctors and nurses who will be attending Mark Forstervold, to comfort Nicki Healy, a friend of the Meister's, and her family as she faces the challenges of stage 4 cancer, and to bring healing and relief to all who are suffering the effects of COVID-19.

O Lord, we give you thanks in every circumstance that we may face and offer our prayers in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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!***

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen *(seated)*

Hymn: *Let All Things Now Living* **CW # 260**

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1 Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks - giv - ing
2 His law he en - forc - es; The stars in their cours - es

To God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
And sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine.

Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
The hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains,

Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
The deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us; His light goes be - fore us,
 We, too, should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing.

A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
 With glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

Till shad - ows have van - ished And dark - ness is ban - ished,
 Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks - giv - ing:

As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
 "To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

Opportunities to Worship the Lord in 2020

Sunday	November 29	9:30 AM	Advent 1
Wednesday	December 2	6:30 PM	Mid-week
Sunday	December 6	9:30 PM	Advent 2
Wednesday	December 9	6:30PM	Mid-week
Sunday	December 13	9:30 AM	Advent 3
Wednesday	December 16	6:30 PM	Mid-week
Sunday	December 20	9:30 AM	Advent 4
Wednesday	December 23	6:30 PM	Mid-week
Thursday	December 24	6:30 PM	Christmas Eve
Friday	December 25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day
Sunday	December 27	9:30 AM	Christmas 1