



Thanksgiving Worship
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Welcome

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our gracious God to offer him our worship and praise. We assemble to hear God's holy and powerful Word and celebrate his life-giving Sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him in heaven.

For Your Convenience

For your ease and convenience, the entire order of service is printed out in the following pages. Many of the elements of this service have ancient roots in the Christian church. Some are very recent. Lutheran worship is specifically designed to include the participation of the assembly. Parts marked **M** are spoken or sung by the minister, and parts marked **C** are spoken or sung by the congregation. Congregational parts are also printed in bold.

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About Today's Service

Jesus said in Matthew 6:33, "seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." We give thanks to the Lord for giving us not only all we need for our spiritual life, his kingdom, but everything we need for our physical life as well.

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister..... Pastor Timothy Henning
Organist Laura Schulz
Ushers Henry Schacht (6:30 pm)
Doug Strack (9:00 am)

Opening Hymn

"Come, You Thankful People Come"

Christian Worship Hymnal #613

STAND FOR LAST STANZA



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
3 For the Lord our God shall come And shall take his
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To your fi - nal



har - vest - home. All be safe - ly gath - ered in
praise to yield; Wheat and weeds to - geth - er sown,
har - vest home, From his field shall in that day
har - vest - home; Gath - er all your peo - ple in,



Ere the win - ter storms be - gin. God our mak - er
Un - to joy or sor - row grown. First the blade and
All of - fens - es purge a - way, Give his an - gels
Free from sor - row, free from sin, There, for - ev - er



shall pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied. Come to
then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear. Lord of
charge at last In the fire the weeds to cast, But the
pu - ri - fied, In your gar - ner to a - bide. Come with



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.
fruit - ful ears to store In his gar - ner ev - er - more.
all your an - gels, come; Raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–71, alt.

Tune: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR (77 77 D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

Opening Dialogue

Psalm 136, selected verses

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

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

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: Give thanks to the God of gods.

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: to him who alone does great wonders

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: who by his understanding made the heavens,

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: who spread out the earth upon the waters,

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: who made the great lights—

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: the sun to govern the day

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: the moon and stars to govern the night;

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: He remembered us in our low estate:

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: and freed us from our enemies.

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: He gives food to every creature.

C: *His love endures forever.*

M: Give thanks to the God of heaven.

C: *His love endures forever.*

Hymn

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Christian Worship Hymnal #610



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and
2 Oh, may this boun - teous God Through all our
3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther



hands and voic - es, Who won - drous things has done,
life be near us, With ev - er - joy - ful hearts
now be giv - en, The Son, and him who reigns



In whom his world re - joic - es, Who from our
And bless - ed peace to cheer us And keep us
With them in high - est heav - en, The one e -



moth - er's arms Has blessed us on our way With
in his grace And guide us when per - plexed And
ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore! For



count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
free us from all ills In this world and the next.
thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

Text: Martin Rinkart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.
Tune: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT (67 67 66 66) Johann Crüger, 1598–1662.

Prayer of the Day

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

SONG

Sixer Singers (6:30 p.m.):

I believe that God made me and all that exists.

Genesis 1:1,31;2:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

³¹God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

“All People that on Earth Do Dwell”

Christian Worship Hymnal #233



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, Sing to the
2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; With - out our
3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; Ap - proach with
4 For why? The Lord, our God, is good; His mer - cy
5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, The God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice. Him serve with fear; his praise
aid he did us make. We are his folk; he doth
joy his courts un - to. Praise, laud, and bless his name
is for - ev - er sure. His truth at all times firm -
heav'n and earth a - dore, From us and from the an -



forth - tell; Come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.
al - ways, For it is seem - ly so to do.
ly stood And shall from age to age en - dure.
gel host Be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1593, alt.

Tune: OLD HUNDRETH (LM) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551.

I believe that God gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.

Psalm 139:13-18

¹³ For you created my inmost being you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹⁴ I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

¹⁶Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!¹⁸ Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand— when I awake, I am still with you.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

“We Praise You, O God Our Redeemer”

Christian Worship Hymnal #609



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!

Text: Julia B. Cory, 1882–1963, alt.

Tune: KREMSER (12 11 12 11) *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, Haarlem, 1626.

I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, property and home, spouse and children, land, cattle, and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life.

STAND

Matthew 6:25-34

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸ “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”

M: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

BE SEATED

Hymn

"We Thank You for Your Blessings"

Christian Worship Hymnal #615



1 We thank you for your bless - ings, Al - might - y
2 This day of great thanks - giv - ing We count them
3 But best of all your bless - ings, The rain - bow



Lord, our King; We thank you for the har - vests,
one by one: Our free and fruit - ful coun - try,
of your love, Are all the man - y mer - cies



Yes, Lord, for ev - 'ry - thing: For flow'rs that bloom in
The great things you have done, Our fam - i - ly, our
Your Word brings from a - bove. Our life now has full



spring - time, For rip - 'ning fruit and grain, For
loved ones, The guard - ian an - gels' care, Our
mean - ing— Christ Je - sus is our God! Thanks -



all the pre - cious sun - shine, And for the gen - tle rain.
ver - y self and heart - beat—Lord, hear our thank - ful prayer!
giv - ing shall be liv - ing The way the Sav - ior trod.

Text: Unknown, alt.

Tune: ELLACOMBE (76 76 D) *Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzog! . . . Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784, alt.*

God also preserves me by defending me against all danger, guarding and protecting me from all evil.

Romans 8:28-30

²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

“I Walk in Danger All the Way”

Christian Worship Hymnal #431

Stanzas 1,2,5,6



1 I walk in dan - ger all the way; The thought
2 I pass through tri - als all the way, With sin
3 Grim death pur - sues me all the way; No - where
4 I walk with an - gels all the way; They shield
5 I walk with Je - sus all the way; His guid -



shall nev - er leave me That Sa - tan, who has
and ills con - tend - ing; In pa - tience I must
I rest se - cure - ly. He comes by night, he
me and be - friend me. All Sa - tan's pow'r is
ance nev - er fails me. He takes my ev - 'ry



marked his prey, Is plot - ting to de - ceive
bear each day The cross of God's own send -
comes by day, And takes his prey most sure -
held at bay, When heav'n - ly hosts at - tend
fear a - way When Sa - tan's pow'r as - sails

me. This foe with hid - den snares May seize me
 ing. Oft in ad - ver - si - ty I know not
 ly. A fail - ing breath, and I In death's strong
 me. They are my sure de - fense; All fear and
 me, And, by his foot - steps led, My path I

un - a - wares If e'er I fail to watch and
 where to flee When storms of woe my soul dis -
 grasp may lie To face e - ter - ni - ty to -
 sor - row, hence! Un - harmed by foes, do what they
 safe - ly tread. In spite of ills that threat - en

pray; I walk in dan - ger all the way.
 may; I pass through tri - als all the way.
 day. Grim death pur - sues me all the way.
 may, I walk with an - gels all the way.
 may, I walk with Je - sus all the way.

6 My walk is heav'ward all the way;
 Await, my soul, the morrow,
 When you farewell can gladly say
 To all your sin and sorrow.
 All worldly pomp, begone!
 To heav'n I now press on.
 For all the world I would not stay;
 My walk is heav'ward all the way.

Text: Hans A. Brorson, 1694–1764; tr. Ditlef G. Ristad, 1863–1938, alt.
 Tune: DER LIEBEN SONNE LICHT UND PRACHT (87 87 66 88) Freylinghausen, *Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch*,
 4th ed., Halle, 1708.

All this God does only because he is my good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it.

Romans 8:31-39

³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written:

“For your sake we face death all day long;
we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

“How Great Thou Art”

Christian Worship Hymnal #256



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der,
3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing,
4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion



Con - sid - er all the works thy hand hath made,
And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees;
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

I see the stars, I hear the might - y thun - der,
 When I look down from loft - y moun-tain gran - deur
 That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly bear - ing
 Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion

Thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played.
 And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze,
 He bled and died to take a - way my sin.
 And there pro - claim: "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior - God, to thee, "How great thou

art! How great thou art!" Then sings my soul, my

Sav - ior - God to thee, "How great thou art! How great thou art!"

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For all of this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him.

Romans 12:1,2

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ²Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Hymn

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

Christian Worship Hymnal #614



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest; Sing songs of
2 God makes the clouds rain good - ness; The des - erts
3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar The gifts his



love and praise. With joy - ful hearts and voic - es
bloom and spring. The hills leap up in glad - ness;
good - ness gave, The gold - en sheaves of har - vest,



Your al - le - lu - ias raise. By him the roll - ing
The val - leys laugh and sing. God fills them with his
The souls Christ died to save. Your hearts lay down be -



sea - sons In fruit - ful or - der move; Sing to the
full - ness, All things with large in - crease; He crowns the
fore him When at his feet you fall, And with your



Lord of har - vest A joy - ous song of love.
year with bless - ing, With plen - ty and with peace.
lives a - dore him Who gave his life for all.

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–75, abr., alt.

Tune: WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN (76 76 D) Johann Steurlein, 1546–1613.

Stand for the Confession of Faith.

Confession of Faith

The First Article and Luther's Explanation

M: THE FIRST ARTICLE

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

M: What does this mean?

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.

Litany of Thanksgiving

M: Give thanks to the Lord who is good.

C: God's love is everlasting.

M: Come, let us praise God joyfully.

C: Let us come to God with thanksgiving.

M: For the good world; for things great and small, beautiful and awesome; for seen and unseen splendors:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For human life; for talking and moving and thinking together; for common hopes and hardships shared from birth until our dying:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For work to do and strength to work; for the comradeship of labor; for exchanges of good humor and encouragement:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For marriage; for the mystery and joy of flesh made one; for mutual forgiveness and burdens shared; for secrets kept in love:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For family; for living together and eating together; for family amusements and family pleasures:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For children; for their energy and curiosity; for their brave play and startling frankness; for their sudden sympathies:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For the young; for their high hopes; for their candid criticism; for their search for freedom:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For growing up and growing old; for wisdom deepened by experience; for rest in leisure; for time made precious by its passing:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For your help in times of doubt and sorrow; for healing our diseases; for preserving us in temptation and danger:

C: We thank you, O God.

M: For the Church into which we have been called; for the good news we receive by Word and sacrament; for our life together in the Lord:

C: We praise you, O God.

M: For your Holy Spirit, who guides our steps and brings us gifts of faith and love, who prays in us and prompts our grateful worship:

C: We praise you, O God.

M: Above all, O God, for your Son, Jesus Christ, who lived and died and lives again for our salvation; for our hope in him; and for the joy of serving him:

C: We thank and praise you, eternal God, for all your goodness to us.

M: Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

C: God's love is everlasting.

C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn

“Let All Things Now Living”

Christian Worship Hymnal #260



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!”

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Tune: THE ASH GROVE (66 11 66 11 D) Welsh folk tune.



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through faithful use of the means of grace***