

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Pastor Snow

Liturgist: Pastor Barry

Pianist: Kristin Johnson

Choir: Women's Choir,
directed by Dr. Rolf

November 26 7:00pm/November 27 9:30am

A Service of Thanksgiving

GIVE
thanks
TO THE
Lord;
FOR HE IS GOOD.
PSALM 107:1, NIV

WELCOME

INVOCATION

In the name of God, our Heavenly Father
Our Creator and Provider.

In the name of God, the Son
Our Savior and Advocate.

In the name of God, the Spirit
Our Counselor and Guide.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“We Praise You, O God”

LSB 785

We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o’ertake us, You will not forsake us,
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

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PSALM *from Psalm 107*

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
For His steadfast love endures forever!

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble.
Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to the children of men!

For He satisfies the longing soul
And the hungry soul He fills with good things.

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
For His steadfast love endures forever!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

PSALM RESPONSE “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” LSB 805

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins to God.

Heavenly Father,
we confess our sins and repent of our thanklessness. Create in us clean hearts, gracious Lord, and put new and right spirits within each of us, that we may know the fullness of Your Love, and reflect that love in thankful living.

As God’s people, we have done nothing to deserve His love. We rejoice that out of His steadfast love He forgives us through the sacrifice of Jesus. Upon your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE (7:00) “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” arr. Katherine K. Davis
Women’s Choir

HYMN OF PRAISE (9:30) "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" LSB 892, vv. 1-2, 4

Come, ye thankful people, come;
Raise the song of harvest home.
All be 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.

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 garner to abide:
Come with all Thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto His 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.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Gracious God, You provide us all we need for our bodies and lives. Lead us by Your Holy Spirit to see and be thankful for all of the blessings You give us, thanking You with our lips and our lives; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 8:1-10

"The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone,

but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Philippians 4:6-13

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Now Thank We All Our God"

LSB 895

Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next!

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NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING**OFFERTORY****"Praise and Thanksgiving"****LSB 789**

Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer
For all things living, Created good:
Harvest of sown fields, Fruits of the orchard,
Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.

Bless, Lord, the labor We bring to serve You
That with our neighbor We may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, We would work with You,
Harvesting, milling For daily bread.

Father, providing Food for Your children,
By Your wise guiding Teach us to share
One with another, So that, rejoicing
With us, all others May know Your care.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of abundant blessing, You provide us with every good gift. Teach us to share abundantly with others what we first experience ourselves, that Your love may be visible through our generosity. Bless these gifts we bring before You in love and use them for Your glory.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Gracious God, we come before You on behalf of those who this day are hungry, homeless, oppressed, sick, or sorrowful. Relieve and restore them according to Your gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

This day we pause and remember to give thanks for all Your blessings of body and soul which You shower upon us. We give You thanks for many things that we frequently overlook and forget, which we silently bring before you now... (moment of silence). Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For this great land we thank You, almighty God, and pray that You would guide those who create, administer and judge our laws; guard and protect those who willfully stand in harm's way to protect and guard our communities here and abroad, Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give thanks, Lord Jesus, for Your precious Word and holy Sacraments, and ask that You would continue to bless Your Church around the world that it may grow in faith and numbers. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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; 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION AT ST. JOHN'S

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood. This we eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm, and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold to a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor or an elder. For further readings in Scripture, we suggest Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

- **Communicants will receive elements in a continuous fashion.**
- **If you would like the pastor to bring communion to you, please inform an usher anytime during the service.**
- **Children of all ages may join their parents and receive a special blessing.**
- **For those who desire it, non-alcoholic wine is available in the center ring of the tray of individual cups.**

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN**"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"****LSB 806**

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son. **(Repeat)**

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. **(Repeat)**

Give thanks, give thanks.

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HYMN**"Lord, to You Immortal Praise"****LW 496, vv. 1 and 3**

Lord, to You immortal praise	Peace, prosp'ring hand has blest,
For the love that crowns our days;	May we give You of the best
Bounteous Source of ev'ry joy,	And by deeds of kindly love
Let Your praise our tongues employ.	For Your mercies grateful prove,
All to You, our God, we owe,	Singing thus through all our days:
Source whence all our blessings flow.	"Lord, to You immortal praise."

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HYMN**"For the Fruits of His Creation"****LSB 894**

For the fruits of His creation, Thanks be to God.
For His gifts to ev'ry 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.

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

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.

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DISMISSAL

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.

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“O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee” LSB 632

Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

O Lord, all things are Yours, and yet Your goodness provides for us more than we deserve or dare to even ask for. Equip our hearts with Your Spirit, that we may learn gratitude and offer You the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for all that You have provided, most of all for the treasure of salvation that is ours through the merits of Christ, our Savior, whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit, You are one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“God Bless Our Native Land”

LSB 965

God bless our native land;
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night.
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.

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So shall our prayers arise
To God above the skies;
On Him we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye,
To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!

SENDING

Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

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Communion Assistant: 7:00pm Brian Honebrink, Bruce Wolf, Daniel Schlueter/
9:30am Paul DeRocher, Chris Hammons, Scott McCarty

Welcome Team: 7:00pm Gayle Degler/9:30am Leaon Family, Watry Family

Tech Crew: 7:00pm Bella & Claire Buesgens/9:30am Hunter & Christina Krueger

Advent and Christmas at St. John's

Sundays in Advent

November 30, December 7, 14, & 21
8:00am, 9:30am, & 10:45am

December 7 (Advent Choral Vespers)
6:30pm

Midweek Advent Worship

December 3, 10, & 17
4:15pm & 6:30pm

No Advent meals due
to renovation

Christmas Services

December 24 (Christmas Eve)
Worship with Communion
2:00pm, 4:00pm, & 10:00pm (candlelight)

December 25 (Christmas Day)
Worship with Communion
9:30am

New Year's Eve Service

December 31
Worship with Communion
5:00pm

Sunday School & Day School Christmas Services & Programs

Kindergarten & Younger Sunday School Service

Sunday, December 7 at 10:45am

Time to Grow Christmas Program

Thursday, December 11 at 6:30pm

1st – 6th Grade Sunday School Service

Sunday, December 14 at 11:00am

K – 8th Grade Christmas Service

Thursday, December 18 at 6:30pm