

The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



Thanksgiving Eve

November 24, 2021

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Opening Versicles

- P** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
- C** 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.
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.
- P** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
C O come, let us worship Him.

Opening Hymn

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

LSB 892



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 Thou 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.

Confession and Absolution

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

Silence for self-examination.

P Holy and gracious God,

C **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Hymn of Response to the Lord's Forgiveness

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

LSB 806

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give thanks to the
Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be - cause He's giv - en__ Je - sus
Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give
thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be - cause He's giv - en__
Je - sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am

strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," Be-cause of
 what the Lord has done for us. And now let the
 weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am
 rich," Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us.
 Give thanks, give thanks.

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Psalm

Psalm 100:1-5

- P** Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!
- C** **Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**
- P** Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!
- C** **For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**
- C** **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.**



Salutation and Collect for Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 8:1–10

¹The 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. ²And 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. ³And 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. ⁴Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him.

⁷For 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, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a 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. ¹⁰And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 5:12–18

¹²We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, ¹³and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. ¹⁴And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. ¹⁵See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone. ¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 12:13–21

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’” ¹⁸And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years;

relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

LSB 893



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest, Sing songs of love and praise;
2 God makes the clouds rain good - ness, The des - erts bloom and spring,
3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar The gifts His good-ness gave,



With joy - ful hearts and voic - es Your al - le - lu - ias raise.
The hills leap up in glad - ness, The val - leys laugh and sing.
The gold - en sheaves of har - vest, The souls Christ died to save.



By Him the roll - ing sea - sons In fruit - ful or - der move;
God fills them with His full - ness, All things with large in - crease;
Your hearts lay down be - fore Him When at His feet you fall,



Sing to the Lord of har - vest A joy - ous song of love.
He crowns the year with bless - ing, With plen - ty and with peace.
And with your lives a - dore Him Who gave His life for all.

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Sermon

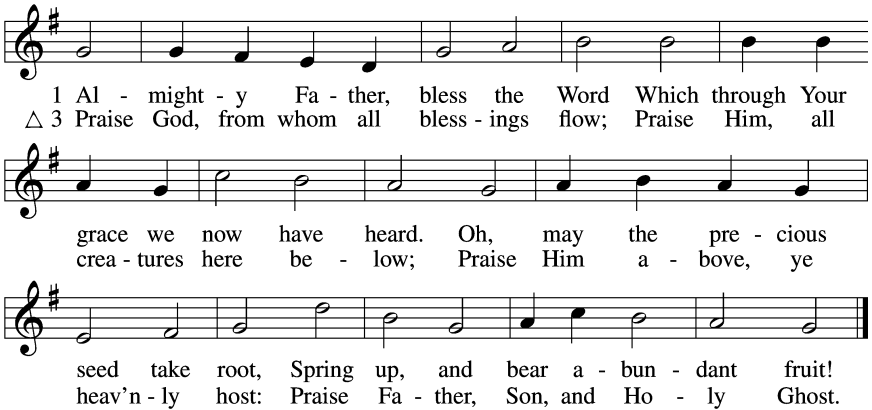
“God Don’t Need Your Stuff!”

Luke 12:13–21

Hymn of Response

Almighty Father, Bless the Word

LSB 923 sts. 1, 3



1 Al - might - y Fa - ther, bless the Word Which through Your
△ 3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all
grace we now have heard. Oh, may the pre - cious
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye
seed take root, Spring up, and bear a - bun - dant fruit!
heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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Prayer of the Church at the time of Thanksgiving

- P** With thankful hearts, Lord, we bring You our prayers. We remember Your many acts of kindness to Your people through all ages which deserve our unending thanks. We bless You for the changing of the seasons and thank You for the rich harvest from the fields of our land. Bountiful Lord,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** We pray for the world, where a spirit of thankfulness is sometimes in short supply. Grant us all things needful for our lives, O God, and direct our actions that we may be good stewards of the earth and all our blessings. Gracious Lord,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** At this time of thanksgiving, we pray for the church, our spiritual home. Bless its leaders and all the church family with thankfulness and a willingness to speak of Your gracious love to everyone. Caring Lord,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Also, we pray for ourselves, that we would be truly thankful people not only at the time of harvest but in all times and seasons.
Precious Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

P On this night of joy and thanksgiving, we pray for those with individual and unique needs, whose earthly journeys are challenging or difficult. Especially we remember the sick, the shut-in, and those known to us who are in need of prayer that we now name silently in our hearts...Blessed Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God of time and eternity, we thank You for the faithful witness of those who rejoice in Your heavenly presence. May we be inspired by their faithful witness that is our heritage and may we seek to serve You constantly all our days. Eternal Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

P All these requests, we humbly lay at the throne of mercy and grace of the One who taught us to pray,

C **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.**

Benediction

P O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C **His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

LSB 895



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,
△ 3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;
With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us;
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav-en,

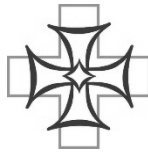


Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



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

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Advent, Christmas & New Year's Eve Worship

Please join us in worship in this new Church Year



Midweek Advent Services

Wednesday, December 1st at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, December 8th at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, December 15th at 7:00 pm



Christmas Eve Worship

Friday, December 24th at
4:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Christmas Day Worship

Saturday, December 25th at 9:00 am
with Holy Communion



New Year's Eve Worship

Friday, December 31st at 7:00 pm
with Holy Communion