
THANKSGIVING FOR ALL

NOVEMBER 25, 2021



As We Gather

Thanksgiving can be a time when families come together to celebrate and give thanks to God for all that He has given us. These times of celebration can also be times of tension, stress, and conflict due to challenges in the relationships. Thanksgiving can also be a time of loss as we grieve those who are no longer with us. In all these things, we gather to give thanks to the God who has created all people and who desires all people to be saved through the knowledge of the saving truth about His Son, Jesus.

Preparation

Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

LSB 809

- 1 *Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain *Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

- 2 *Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain*

- 3 *Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain*

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Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Opening Sentences

Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30, 33

- P** O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom have You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.
- C** These all look to You, to give them their food in due season.
- P** When You give it to them, they gather it up;
- C** when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.

P When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created, and You renew the face of the ground.

C I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

P I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Confession and Absolution

1 Timothy 2:1, 4

P Today is Thanksgiving, a day we set aside as a nation to give thanks to our God who graciously gives us all things. In one of Paul's letters to Timothy, he urges that "supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people." For each one of us there are people we struggle to be thankful for.

C We confess our struggles and our sins to God, seeking His forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

Silence for personal confession

P God created this world and everything in it, including all of the people who live in it. According to God's gracious will, He "desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." Here's the truth: God loves the people of this world so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, into the world so that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life. By the command of Christ and through the power of the cross, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Word

Kyrie

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

P O Christ,

C have mercy.

P O Lord,

C have mercy.

Adult Choir

Come and Thank Him

Salutation & Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 8:1-10

¹"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. 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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 145:15–16; 118:1

P The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season.

C **You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

P Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

C **His steadfast love endures forever.**

Epistle

1 Timothy 2:1–4

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Verse

Psalm 136:1

P Alleluia.

C **Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 17:11–19

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

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

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found

to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn

Before You, Lord, We Bow

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| <p>1 <i>Before You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns above And rules the world below, Boundless in pow'r and love. Our thanks we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!</i></p> <p>2 <i>The nation You have blest May well Your love declare, From foes and fears at rest, Protected by Your care. For this bright day, For this fair land— Gifts of Your hand— Our thanks we pay.</i></p> <p>3 <i>May ev'ry mountain height, Each vale and forest green, Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen! May ev'ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A grateful song.</i></p> | <p>4 <i>Earth, hear your Maker's voice; Your great Redeemer own; Believe, obey, rejoice, And worship Him alone. Cast down your pride, Your sin deplore, And bow before The Crucified.</i></p> <p>5 <i>And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our native land From all its rending tombs Send forth a glorious band, A countless throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Salvation's song!</i></p> |
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Sermon

Adult Choir

Count Your Blessings

Creed

C 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.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
Thank You, Lord,
C for food, health, clothing, and our homes.
- P** Thank You, Lord,
C for the many freedoms we enjoy in this land.
- P** Thank You, Lord,
C for leaders, teachers, preachers, family, and friends.
- P** Thank You, Lord,
C for the gifts You give to Your Church,
- P** Thank You, Lord,
C for Baptism, the Lord's Supper, forgiveness, grace, hope, and Your Word.

Silence for giving thanks to God

- P** Thank You, Lord, for Jesus Christ, Your only Son, through whom You give us the gifts of forgiveness and eternal life in Your kingdom.
C Thanks be to God. Amen!

Offering—*Collected at all doors.*

Hymn

Lord of All Good

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- 1 *Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;
Use them Your holy purpose to fulfill.
Tokens of love and pledges they shall be
That our whole life is offered to Your will.*
- 2 *We give our minds to understand Your ways;
Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great design;
Hearts with the flame of Your own love ablaze—
Thus for Your glory all our pow'rs combine.*
- △ 3 *Father, whose bounty all creation shows;
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;
Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows:
To You with grateful hearts ourselves we give.*

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Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Benediction

Psalm 67:1; Numbers 6:24–26

- P** May God be gracious to us and bless us
C and make His face to shine upon us.
- 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.

Hymn

Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

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| <p>1 <i>Alleluia! Let praises ring!</i> <i>To God the Father let us bring</i> <i>Our songs of adoration.</i> <i>To Him through everlasting days</i> <i>Be worship, honor, pow'r, and praise,</i> <i>Whose hand sustains creation.</i> <i>Singing, ringing:</i> <i>Holy, holy,</i> <i>God is holy;</i> <i>Spread the story</i> <i>Of our God, the Lord of glory.</i></p> <p>2 <i>Alleluia! Let praises ring!</i> <i>Unto the Lamb of God we sing,</i> <i>In whom we are elected.</i> <i>He bought His Church with His own</i> <i>blood,</i> <i>He cleansed her in that blessed flood,</i> <i>And as His bride selected.</i> <i>Holy, holy</i> <i>Is our union</i> <i>And communion.</i> <i>His befriending</i> <i>Gives us joy and peace unending.</i></p> | <p>3 <i>Alleluia! Let praises ring!</i> <i>Unto the Holy Ghost we sing</i> <i>For our regeneration.</i> <i>The saving faith in us He wrought</i> <i>And us unto the Bridegroom brought,</i> <i>Made us His chosen nation.</i> <i>Glory! Glory!</i> <i>Joy eternal,</i> <i>Bliss supernal;</i> <i>There is manna</i> <i>And an endless, glad hosanna.</i></p> <p>4 <i>Alleluia! Let praises ring!</i> <i>Unto our triune God we sing;</i> <i>Blest be His name forever!</i> <i>With angel hosts let us adore</i> <i>And sing His praises evermore</i> <i>For all His grace and favor!</i> <i>Singing, ringing:</i> <i>Holy, holy,</i> <i>God is holy;</i> <i>Spread the story</i> <i>Of our God, the Lord of glory!</i></p> |
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It's Angel Tree Time!

Our Angel Tree project is under way and the ornaments are available for you to choose from. Each ornament has a wish list for each "Angel". The deadline to turn in all gifts with their tag attached is December 3rd.

When you pick an ornament from the tree, please note that you must register the ornaments by writing your name and phone number beside the corresponding number on your ornament, on the register sheets. Before you leave, be sure to take an instruction sheet with you so you'll have all the information you need at home to help you through this project. And THANKS for participating!

Angel Tree Fundraiser

Join us at the Steeleville American Legion on December 4th, 7:00—11:00 p.m. and support the Angel Tree. Lewis Creek will be playing, and drink specials will be available. The price of admission is: Blankets, Pillows, Sheets, Pajamas (NB-18 yr. old), or a free will cash donation. Also available for purchase: Pulled Pork Nachos, Pulled Pork Sandwiches and chips.

Youth Group Scrip Orders

The deadline for the next order is December 10th in order to receive them by Christmas. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 965-3192.

Scrip is a program where you are able to buy gift cards for your own personal shopping and/or for your loved ones and the Youth Group receives a percentage back from each card you order. Order forms (lime green paper) are located in this week's bulletin and at each entrance to the church and can be dropped with payment in the offering basket or at the church office at any time. Once the order is placed, we will have the gift cards within two weeks.

Help Needed—Christmas Decorating Committee

The Christmas Decorating Committee will begin decorating the church at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 28th. All help is welcomed and encouraged, the more, the merrier.

New! 2022 Weekly Envelopes

As of January 1, 2022, you will not receive, or need to pick up, a box of envelopes. The mailman will be delivering your envelopes directly to your home for each quarter. Your giving envelope packets for January - March 2022 should arrive around the middle of December.



Your name/names will be on each envelope, the weekly date, and the assigned 2022 identifying number (for our posting). Do not use your old envelope number after December 31, 2021. Envelopes for Special Holiday Services, Lenten, Advent, District/Synod, and Building Fund will be included in your quarterly packet.

Please use your envelopes as much as possible. It makes it easier to track your gifts for financial accounting. Also, each packet will include a brief note, event ad, or letter from St. Mark's Church or School. It is an opportunity for your Church to keep in touch with you with a reminder of special events or needs and save a little postage.

Questions? Contact Ruth Waeltz (618) 317-2678 or the church office (618) 965-3192.

Poinsettia Order Form

I would like to order (#) _____ Poinsettia(s) to be placed in church for the Christmas season at a cost of \$17.00 each. Your last chance to order is December 15th, 2021.



Total amount included \$ _____.

Donated by: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____
