

Faith Lutheran Church

WELCOMING OF GUESTS AND VISITORS

GATHERING

Welcome

Prelude

INVOCATION

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

SONG	<i>Eternally Grateful</i>	<i>PHIL KEAGGY</i>
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A THANKSGIVING LITANY

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all the gifts bestowed upon us.

Silence for reflection

For the beauty and wonder of creation; earth and sky and sea,

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of all peoples, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, home and families, our friends and communities,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, for leisure to rest and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, for those who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, freedom and justice,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord;

To Christ Jesus be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, One God now and forever. Amen.

1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
 2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
 3. We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,

he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known.
 or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
 and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing.
 so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;
 Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion;

Sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
 thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glo - ry be thine!
 thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Together we 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. Amen.

THE PSALM *Psalm 126*

(Pulpit) ¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

(Piano) ²Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”

(Pulpit) ³The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

(Piano) ⁴Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses of the Negeb.

(Pulpit) ⁵Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

(Piano) ⁶Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

*(ALL) Glory 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.*

A READING

1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

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GOSPEL *Matthew 6:25-33*

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they

neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THANKSGIVING REFLECTIONS

PASTOR IAN

HYMN

Give Thanks

W&P 41

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!

Last time

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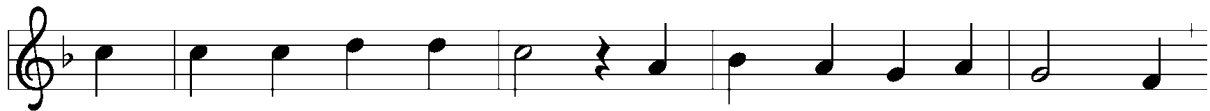
HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God

ELW 840



1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,



who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
 and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

A PRAYER FOR THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Each petition ends...

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Together we pray as Jesus taught,

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.

OFFERING

In thanksgiving for God's blessing, we respond with our tithe and offering
OFFERTORY THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Together we pray,

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The blessing of the Lord God Almighty, the blessing of + Christ, and the blessing of the Holy Spirit remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

Come, Ye Thankful People

ELW 693



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 then 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!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live every day with gratitude and thanksgiving!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude



We invite you to join us for worship
on Sundays at 9:30 AM

Beginning in January, if the grounds are suitable, there will be an 8:30 AM service outside in the Memorial Garden. The 10:30 AM service will be inside with live streaming/recording for our on-line congregation.