

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pulpit Supply: Dianna Goodman

Liturgist: Jim Meyer

Organist: Ann Swisher

*Please meditate silently, or listen to the prelude
as you prepare your heart for worship.*

**Please stand if you are able*

PRELUDE

“Praise and Thanksgiving”

Dale Wood (1934-2003)

WELCOME *“This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.”*

*OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts that God has given us.

ALL: Throughout all our lives, God has blessed us with love and hope.

One: Praise be to God who provides for us.

**ALL: May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by
the ways in which we live and care for others.**

One: Hallelujah!

ALL: AMEN.

*GATHERING HYMN “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

GtG #367

Come, ye thankful people, come;
raise the song of harvest home.

All is 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.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit in thankful 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.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from each field shall in that day
all offenses purge away;

Give the angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in God's garner evermore.

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 presence to abide:
come, with all thine angels, come;
raise the glorious harvest home!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Holy and Merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us O Lord. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. *(a moment of silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PEACE OF CHRIST

*“Glory to God, whose Goodness Shines on Me”

GtG #582

Glory to God, whose goodness
shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has
pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has
set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now
and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end.
Amen.

World without end, without end.
Amen.

World without end, without end.
Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now
and ever shall be. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Thanksgiving Canticle”

Mark Hayes

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Psalm 9:1

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NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

Romans 8:28

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1 Thessalonians 5:18

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SERMON

“In Everything Give Thanks”

*RESPONSE HYMN

“We Gather Together”

GtG #336

We gather together to ask the
Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will
to make known;

The wicked oppressing
now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name;
he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us,
our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining
his kingdom divine;

So from the beginning
the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side;
all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee,
thou leader triumphant,

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

UNISON LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING HYMN

"Give Thanks"

GtG #647

Give thanks with a grateful heart;
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given
Jesus Christ, the Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart;
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given
Jesus Christ, the Son.

And now let the weak say,
"We are strong";
let the poor say,
"We are rich because of what the
Lord has done for us!"

And now let the weak say,
"We are strong";
let the poor say,
"We are rich because of what the
Lord has done for us!"
Give thanks. Give thanks.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

Announcements

Welcome!

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning. Please sign the red fellowship pad in your pew and pass it to your neighbor. At the close of the service, it is our tradition to remain seated during the Postlude. After the service, join us for refreshments and conversation. To bring treats for Fellowship Time, sign up on the sheet on the coffee table.

Thank you, Dianna!

Many thanks to Dianna Goodman for leading us in worship today!

Helena Food Share Drive wraps up this week

The annual Helena Food Share Drive with matching funds from Town Pump concludes Wednesday, Nov. 22. All donations will be matched dollar-for-dollar and go to our local food bank. You may give by cash or check in the offering plate (designate Helena Food Share) or you may do so by visiting the church's website; from the "Giving" page, choose "Donate to FPC," then choose "Helena Food Share."

FPC to offer Thanksgiving Day dinner

Your Fellowship Committee is planning a free Helena-wide Thanksgiving Day dinner Thursday, Nov. 23, from 2-3:30 p.m., or until the food runs out. If you can help with purchasing and/or cooking for the dinner, or if you'd like to contribute, please sign up on the sheet of paper on the Coffee Table.

Sanctuary decorating for Advent next Sunday!

We will be decorating the sanctuary for Advent on Sunday, Nov. 26, immediately following worship. Plan to stay and participate in this preparation for the season of Advent!

FPC hosts Family Promise Nov. 26-27

FPC will host Family Promise Sunday, Nov. 26, and Monday, Nov. 27. If you can provide food or serve as an overnight host, please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Room. Visit with Family Promise co-volunteer coordinators Joy Edgar or Larry Mirch for details.

Glacier Camp offers online Advent study

Pastor Tim Lanham is offering an online Advent Bible study beginning Sunday, Nov. 26, at 5 p.m. To join the group, email him at timothy@glaciercamp.org.

You're Invited:

Monday, Nov. 20

Advent Team meeting 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 21	Session 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Day Dinner 2 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 24	Bible Study 12/Noon Hand & Foot Cards 1:30 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 26	Worship Service 10 a.m. Social Time & Sanctuary Decorating 11 a.m.

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