

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

October 10, 2021

Organ Prelude: Variations on "Come ye thankful people come"

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Welcome, Announcements & Worship Theme

CALL TO WORSHIP:

"The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who come to believe in him for eternal life." (1 Tim. 1:15-16)

We come to church as those who have made mistakes, big ones and little ones.

Whether we intend to or not, we have hurt people and we have let them down. We have failed to take responsibility and we have failed to sincerely repent and seek out forgiveness.

Whether our sin is great or small, deeply wounding or petty, our lives cannot flourish unless we walk through the guilt and shame of honest confession in search of a love strong enough to open new doors to healing and reconciliation.

We come to worship to experience and express gratitude and thanksgiving for second chances and new beginnings.

ALL: Let us worship God together!

Hymn: All creatures of our God and King (vs. 1, 4, 5, 6)

No. 433

1. All creatures of our God and King
lift up your voice and with us sing:
sing praises, hallelujah!
O brother sun with golden beam,
O sister moon with silver gleam,
sing praises, sing praises,
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

4. Dear mother earth, who day by day
brings forth your blessings on our way:
sing praises, hallelujah!
All flowers and fruit that in you grow,
let them God's glory also show:
sing praises, sing praises,
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

5. Let everyone of tender heart,
forgiving others, take their part:
sing praises, hallelujah!
All who long pain and sorrow bear,
give God your burdens and your care:
sing praises, sing praises,
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

6. Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness:
sing praises, hallelujah!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
sing praises, sing praises,
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Prayer of Approach, Confession & The 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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Peace of Christ be with you all;
And also with you.

Children's Theme for Church School

Special Music: "Give thanks, my soul, for harvest" Lutheran chorale, words by W. W. Reid

Scripture Readings: Mark 14: 66-72; 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Mark 14: 66-72

66 While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. 67 When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, 'You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.' 68 But he denied it, saying, 'I do not know or understand what you are talking about.' And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. 69 And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, 'This man is one of them.' 70 But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, 'Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.' 71 But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, 'I do not know this man you are talking about.' 72 At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept. Amen.

1 Timothy 1: 12-17

12 I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, 13 even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in

unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. 16But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. 17To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

We are listening, O God;
Speak to us!

Sermon: SHAME (Part 2) Dr. Harris

Special Music: "Thank you" Ray Boltz

Soloist Shaun Alphonso

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Pastoral Concern

Hymn: For the fruits of all creation **No. 802**

1. For the fruits of all creation
thanks be to God;
for the gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God;
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

3. 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.

2. In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbour,
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.

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Organ Postlude: Variations on "Now thank we all our God" Bruce Nasmith

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