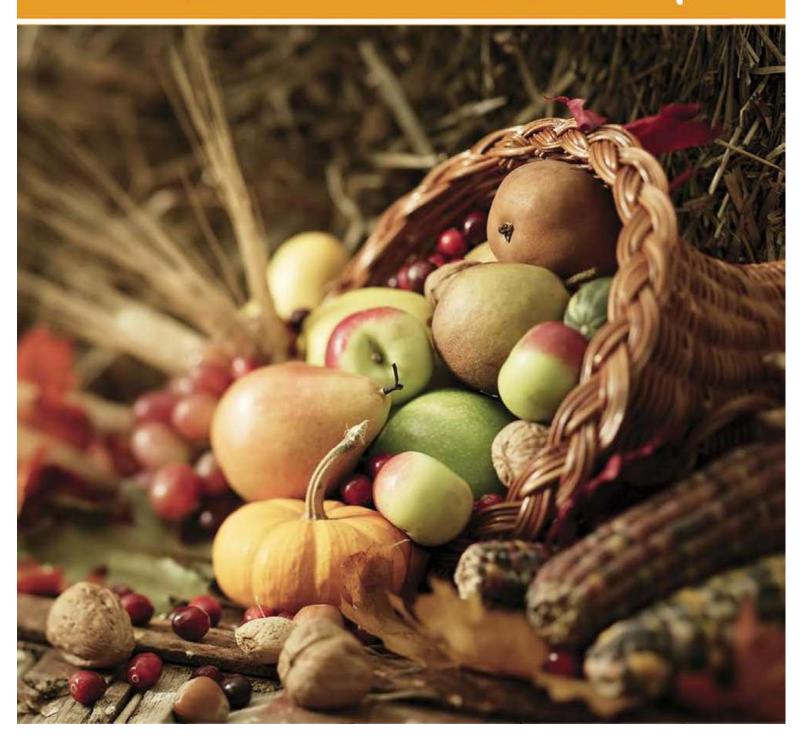
# Thanksgiving Service

# Tuesday, November 24, 7pm May Diva



#### **AS WE GATHER**

Gratitude does not depend on what is given or what is received. Gratitude is an attitude of the heart. One with a grateful heart stops immediately. Nothing else can go on until thanksgiving is expressed. That is what we see in the one leper who is healed. He cannot go back to his old life, nor can he begin his new life until he returns to Jesus, the source of healing, and offers Him thanks and praise. Our nation has been richly blessed by God. Each of us has received mercies new every morning. The key to contentment and peace is neither the abundance of gifts nor an absence, but a heart that returns thanks to the source of those gifts. Today we pause to do that, as a nation, as a people, and as Christians.

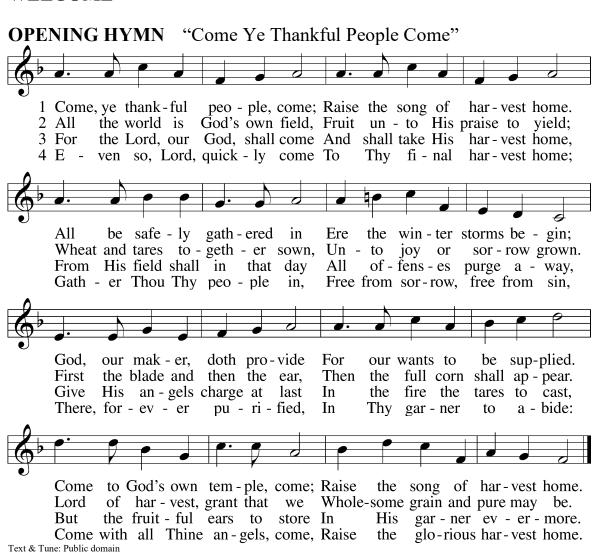
**PRELUDE** 

"Nun danket alle Gott"

Georg Friedrich Kaufmann

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#### WELCOME



#### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

### **OPENING SENTENCES** *Philippians 4:6–7*

Pastor: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

People: And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *Philippians 4:8, 19*

Pastor: Although we are anxious about many things, God's peace comes to us daily. Let us confess our sins, trusting that for Jesus' sake our heavenly Father will guard our hearts and minds with His peace. Brothers and sisters, in today's Epistle, Paul urges, "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

People: We confess that we have spoken lies, dishonored God's name, judged people on sight, adopted society's impure values, failed to tend to God's good creation, and forgotten to thank Him for providing all we need from day to day. Heavenly Father, for the sake of Your Son, who did all things well and to whom alone belongs all the praise, we ask You to forgive what is past, graciously strengthen us for this day, and by Your indwelling Spirit move our feet to walk in ways pleasing to You.

Pastor: Paul was inspired to promise, "God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." Our heavenly Father does indeed supply your deepest need. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Thanks be to God.

#### SALUTATION/PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, Your giving knows no ending. Keep us from the sin of ingratitude, from taking for granted Your blessings, and from forgetting to offer You the thanks and praise You are due. Fill us with thankfulness, that we may praise Your goodness and learn true contentment, both for this life and for eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Deuteronomy 8:1–10 (Give thanks to God for His gift of the land.)

<sup>1</sup> "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. <sup>2</sup> And 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. <sup>3</sup> And 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<sup>[a]</sup> that comes from the mouth of the Lord. <sup>4</sup> Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. <sup>5</sup> Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. <sup>6</sup> So you shall keep the commandments of

the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. <sup>7</sup> For 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, <sup>8</sup> a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup> a 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. <sup>10</sup> And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Pastor: May God be gracious to us and | bless us\* and make His face to shine up- | on us,

People: that Your way may be | known on earth,\* Your saving power among all | nations.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, | O God;\* let all the peoples | praise You!

People: Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,\* for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations up- | on earth.

Pastor: Let the peoples praise You, | O God;\* let all the peoples | praise You!

People: The earth has yielded its | increase;\* God, our God, shall | bless us.

Pastor: God shall | bless us;\* let all the ends of the earth | fear Him!

All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Pastor: God shall | bless us;\* let all the ends of the earth | fear Him!

# **EPISTLE** Philippians 4:6–20 (I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.)

<sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. <sup>11</sup> Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup> I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

<sup>14</sup> Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. <sup>15</sup> And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. <sup>16</sup> Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. <sup>17</sup> Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. <sup>18</sup> I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup> And my God will supply every need of

yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup> To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 17:11–19 (Jesus gives healing to ten, but only one returns to give thanks.) Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

#### People: Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

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Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.





SERMON Thanksgiving in 2020? Yes!

#### CONFESSION OF FAITH

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 on 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

Pastor: Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Grant that we, who came from many nations with many different languages, may become a united people. Support us in defending our liberties, and give those to whom we have entrusted the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, may our

hearts be thankful, and in troubled times, do not let our trust in You fail; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

# People: Amen.

Pastor: Merciful God, graciously take into Your fatherly care the sick and needy, those who are widowed and orphaned, the homeless and homebound, the lonely and forgotten, and all who are in any trouble, temptation, anguish of labor, peril of death, or any other adversity. Comfort them, O God, with Your Holy Spirit, that they may patiently endure their afflictions and acknowledge them as a manifestation of Your fatherly will. Preserve them from faintheartedness and despondency, and help them to seek You, the great physician of their souls. If any pass through the valley of the shadow of death, do not allow them in the last hour, for any pain or fear of death, to fall away from You, but let Your everlasting arms be underneath them, and grant them a peaceful departure and a joyful entrance into Your eternal kingdom in the resurrection of all flesh; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

#### People: Amen.

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, in the solemn night of Your betrayal, You established the Holy Meal of Your body and blood for us Christians to eat and to drink. Look in mercy on those who will receive the Holy Sacrament this day. Grant that they come to Your Table in true repentance and faith, that the gift of Your body and blood will sustain them in their afflictions, strengthen them in the communion of Your holy people, and be a pledge of the resurrection of their bodies to life everlasting; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# People: Amen.

Pastor: O Lord, Father Almighty, by Your Word You created and You continue to bless and uphold all things. We pray You to reveal to us Your Word, our Lord Jesus Christ, that, through His dwelling in our hearts, we may by Your grace be made ready to receive Your blessing on all the fruits of the earth and whatsoever pertains to our bodily need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

**OFFERTORY** 

"We Gather Together"

arr. Lloyd Larson

#### **OFFERING**

#### PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. [Colossians 3:1]

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [Psalm 136]

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We give You thanks, almighty God, for Your patient love that bore with us sinners, who deserved only Your wrath. You gave us Your Law to protect us from harm and sent forth Your promise through the prophets to sustain us in the hope of a Savior. In the fullness of days, You

delivered up Your own Son, born of the Virgin by the Holy Spirit, to fulfill all righteousness for us and to offer Himself as the one, all-sufficient sacrifice for our sin and for the sin of the whole world. Before He was betrayed to His voluntary sufferings, He established a memorial of His death, through which He offers to us His body in bread and His blood in wine, that we might be forgiven of our sins and strengthened by His grace to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28: Mark 14:22-24: Luke 22:19-20: 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9–13)

All: 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.

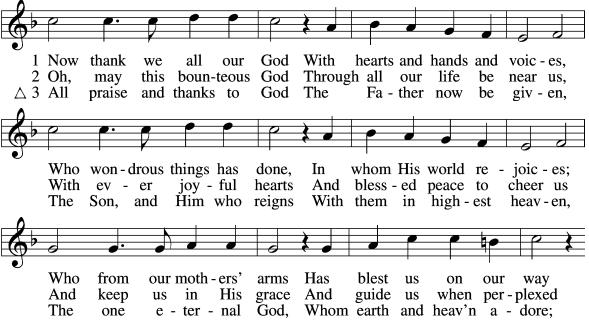
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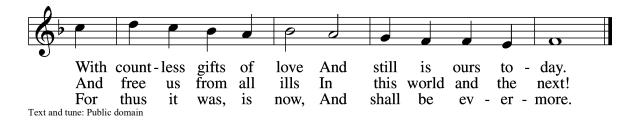
Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

# **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** "Now Thank We All Our God"

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#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: O Lord, all things are Yours, and yet Your goodness provides for us more than we deserve or dare ask. Equip our hearts with Your Spirit, that we may learn gratitude and offer You the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for all that You have provided, most of all for the treasure of salvation that is ours through the merits of Christ, our Savior, whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit, You are one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

**BENEDICTION** Based on Psalm 113:3; Philippians 4:6–7

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting, **People: may the name of the Lord be praised.** 

Pastor: Without anxiety or fear, but in all things, by prayer and supplication, offer Your requests to

God.

People: And may the peace of God which surpasses all our understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Pastor: The blessing of almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—remain with you now and

forever.

People: Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

"All The People Said Amen"

Maher

# (Verse 1)

You are not alone if you are lonely When you feel afraid you're not the only We are all the same in need of mercy To be forgiven and be free It's all you got to lean on But thank God it's all you need

# (Chorus)

And all the people said amen whoa And all the people said amen Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends And all the people said amen

# (Verse 2)

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter Weak or strong you know love is what we're after We're all broken but we're all in this together God knows we stumble and fall And He so loved the world He sent His son to save us all

#### (Bridge)

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart Blessed are the people hungry for another start For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God

#### **POST SERVICE MUSIC**

"Wachet Auf"

Johann Gottfried Walther

# + TO GOD ALONE BE ALL GLORY +

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#### Special Offering:

This year, we will be collecting our Thanksgiving door offering for Calvary Lutheran Chapel. With Covid 19, we can no longer prepare and serve lunches at Calvary. In view of Mount Olive's special relationship with Calvary, we want to continue this ministry by supporting them financially, as well as prayerfully, so that they can continue sharing a meal and fellowship after their Sunday services.

Any offerings that are placed in the collection plates will go to the general fund here at Mount Olive, and any offerings placed in the lunch box at the doors to the Narthex will go towards lunches at Calvary Lutheran Chapel.

Food items placed on the altar will be given to the Middleton Outreach Ministries food pantry.

#### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Preacher Pastor Jason Zobel, Senior Pastor

Music Campanis Oliva, Olive Branch, Ray Calderon, *Director of Music* 

Usher Team Curt Casanova
Elder Dave Kral
Altar Guild (November) Lana Esch

