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Thanksgiving Worship and Praise
Wednesday Evening
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A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND THANKS TO THE GOD WHO BLESSES
US WITH ALL GOOD THINGS

Quartet Sings

Call To Worship:

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

C: Amen

P: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

C: **Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

P: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being praise his holy name.

C: **Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.**

P: Who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases.

C: **Who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.**

P: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;

C: **As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

P: From everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with those who fear him.

C: **I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.**

P: You are my God, and I will give you thanks; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

C: **Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.**

Devotion – Godliness With Contentment Is Great Gain! 1 Timothy 6:6-16

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹ People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

¹¹ But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

Kids Sing: Give Thanks

Give Thanks For...

...God's Word

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. *Psalm 119:105*

Hymn – 203 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word (V 1,2)

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would seek to overthrow your Son
And to destroy what he has done.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known
For you are Lord of lords alone;
Defend your Christendom that we
May sing your praise eternally.

...All of Creation

²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

²⁹ Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. ³⁰ And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air and all the creatures that move on the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

³¹ God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day. *Genesis 1:28-31*

Hymn – 369 Beautiful Savior (V1, 4)

1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd serve thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be thine!

...Our Government and Nation

⁶This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. ⁷Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. *Romans 13:6-7*

Hymn – 619 God Bless Our Native Land (V1)

1 God bless our native land!
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night!
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do thou our country save
By thy great might.

...Our Church Body and Congregation

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD Almighty! ²My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. *Psalm 84:1-2, 10*

*We confess our faith with the words of **the Apostles' Creed***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Hymn – 615 We Thank You for Your Blessings (V1-3)

1 We thank you for your blessings, Almighty Lord, our King;
We thank you for the harvests, Yes, Lord, for ev'rything:
For flow'rs that bloom in springtime, For rip'ning fruit and grain,
For all the precious sunshine, And for the gentle rain.

2 This day of great thanksgiving We count them one by one:
Our free and fruitful country, The great things you have done,
Our family, our loved ones, The guardian angels' care,
Our very self and heartbeat—Lord, hear our thankful prayer!

3 But best of all your blessings, The rainbow of your love,
Are all the many mercies Your Word brings from above.
Our life now has full meaning—Christ Jesus is our God!
Thanksgiving shall be living The way the Savior trod.

...Christian Education

¹⁵When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me more than these?"

"Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

¹⁶Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me?"

He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

¹⁷ The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?”

Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Feed my sheep. *John 21:15-17*

Hymn – 293 God’s Word is Our Great Heritage

God’s Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way;
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations.

...The Ability to Work

You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” ¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your forefathers, as it is today.

Deuteronomy 8:17-18

Hymn – 485 We Give Thee But Thine Own (V1,2)

1 We give thee but thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our firstfruits give.

We Bring our Offering of Thanks to the Lord

We give to our God our first fruits. The Lord has blessed us with time, talents and treasures. At this time, we give our offerings of thanks to the Lord for his goodness.

Please take a moment to sign the friendship registers.

...The Peace of Rest

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” *Matthew 11:28-30*

Hymn 587 Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow (V 3)

3 Lord Jesus, since you love me, Oh, spread your wings above me
And shield me from alarm.
Though Satan would assail me, Your mercy will not fail me;
I rest in your protecting arm.

...For the Gift of Forgiveness

God made us alive in Christ, even when we were dead in our transgressions and sins. *Eph. 2:5.*

Confession—Please Rise

P: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

**I confess I have trusted in myself and not in you,
I have been filled with doubt and worry that you will not provide for me as you promise.
I have lacked thankfulness for what you have given me and I have sinfully wanted what you have not,
I have not been content with your many promises and blessings.
Instead of praising and thanking you for your goodness, I have sinned against you in ignorance and choice. I have sinned by not doing what you want me to do and by doing other things you tell me not to do,
For all of my sins, you should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me for Jesus' sake.**

Absolution

P: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Hymn 260 Let All Things now Living

Let all things now living A song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, Protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
We, too, should be voicing Our love and rejoicing.
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living Unite in thanksgiving:
“To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!”

Prayer and 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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

...The Assurance of Heaven

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever. *Revelation 22:1-5*

Hymn – 588 Abide with Me (V 7)

7 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Blessing

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn – 610 Now Thank we All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, In whom his world rejoices,
Who from our mother's arms Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,
With ever-joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in his grace And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills In this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

Reminders:

Thanksgiving Day Meal: Eat at noon
Fellowship from 11-1.

Christmas Eve Service 6:00 pm

Christmas Day Service 10 am

*“Give thanks to the Lord,
for his love endures forever.”*
2 Chronicles 20:21b

