

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

November 23, 2023 | 9:00 a.m.

PREPARATION & PRAISE

Prelude: "Let All Things Now Living"

L. Larson

"Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!"

L. Larson

During the prelude, please write something for which you are thankful on the slips of paper provided. These will be collected during the offering and become part of our Thanksgiving Prayer later in the service.

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship:

based on Psalm 113, Ephesians 3

* Hymn: "Come, You Thankful People, Come"

PH 527:1,2,4

* God's Greeting

* Prayer of the Day:

Give us, our Father, a sense of your presence as we gather now for worship. Grant us gratitude as we remember your goodness, penitence as we remember our sins, and joy as we remember your love. Enable us to lift up our hearts in humble prayer and fervent praise, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

* Hymn: "Give Thanks"

CONFESSION & PRAYER

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

Isaiah 59:20

God's Will for Our Lives:

John 15:12-13

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Ephesians 1:3-14, Romans 11:36

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

- * Hymn: "O Give the Lord Wholehearted Praise" PH 111:1,2,3,6,7
Prayer for Illumination
Sermon: *Praise-Giving Day* Psalm 30 (p. 519)

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

- * Hymns: "He Has Made Me Glad"
"For the Beauty of the Earth" PH 432
* Offerings for the NAC Food Pantry
Our Prayers of Thanksgiving
* Hymn: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" PH 637

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

- * Benediction
* Doxology: "Now Thank We All Our God" PH 454
Postlude: "Come, Ye Thankful People Come" B. Boertje

**Indicates congregation stands, as able*

Ministers: Rev. Joel Vande Werken, Rev. Matthew Burns

Liturgists: Dick Vanden Berg, Steve Martinka

Piano: Laurie Vander Baan | Organ: Jonathan Steele

Prayer of the Day adapted from Worship Sourcebook C.1.4.5

Litany of Thanksgiving adapted from Celebration Hymnal #176