

**Thanksgiving Eve Service
November 27, 2019
6:30 P.M.**



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We wish everyone a blessed Thanksgiving and extend a warm welcome to all. If you are a visitor, please help us become acquainted by signing the guest book and introducing yourself before you leave. Please come again.

Prelude

Word of Welcome

Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

stand as you are able

Gathering Hymn

'Come, Ye Thankful People, Come' vs 1 **693**

P We come together,

C we praise our Creator God.

P We come together,

C as the gathered community of believers.

P We come together,

C to worship our bountiful Creator.

P We come together,

C as a community united by the Spirit.

Hymn

'Come, Ye Thankful People, Come' vs 2 **693**

P With thankful hearts,
C we praise our Creator God.
P With shouts of praise,
C we declare God's mighty works.
P In humility and love,
C we pray for and receive God's outpoured grace.

Hymn

'Come, Ye Thankful People, Come' vs 3 **693**

P We come tonight to praise the God of creation. Present your hearts as fields ripe for the Lord's harvest. Come, let us worship the Lord with thanksgiving and praise!

C We come as thankful people of God.

P Lord of harvest, come and gather our praises of thanksgiving. Your gifts of goodness are presented to us every day. Lead us by your Holy Spirit to live lives centered on your will and surrendered to your purpose; through Jesus Christ, who gave his life for all.

C Amen

Hymn

'Come, Ye Thankful People, Come' vs 4 **693**

please be seated

First Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I

declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.”⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God,⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: “A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us,⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders;⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.” You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the Lord your God.¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

L The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100 (*found before hymn section in ELW*)

¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God’s presence with a song.

³Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;

we are God’s people and the sheep of God’s pasture.

⁴Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and

How good it is to thank the Lord!

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Holy Gospel

John 6:25-35

²⁵When [the disciples] found [Jesus] on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

please be seated

Sermon

offering assembled and presented

Hymn 'We Plow the Fields and Scatter'

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stand as you are able

Offering Prayer

P Let us pray

C **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

Prayers

P Almighty God, for the amazing wonders of your creation and the beauty of this earth,

C **Most gracious God, we thank you.**

P For those people who show the nature of Christ in their everyday life,

C **Most gracious God, we thank you.**

P For the sustenance of our daily lives – our food and drink – and for our families and friends,

C **Most gracious God, we thank you.**

P For our bodies and minds, and their capabilities,

C **Most gracious God, we thank you.**

P For the gift of tears and laughter that we can experience and share,

C **Most gracious God, we thank you.**

P For your most wondrous and perfect love shown in the example of your Son, Jesus Christ, the fulfillment of your promise of a new life,

C **Most gracious God, we thank you.**

P Crown the year with your goodness, O God,
that our lives may overflow with thanksgiving,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

Lord's Prayer (tune #632)

C Our Father, Lord on heav'n's high throne,
most holy be your name. Your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth - in heav'n the
same.

Give us this day the food we need; forgiven
may we be; Into temptation do not lead; from
evil set us free. All rule and might and glory be
to you while ages run and even to eternity.
Amen. So be it done!

Benediction

P God's blessing be with you,
Christ's peace be with you,
The Spirit's outpouring be with you,
now and always.

C Amen

Hymn 'Now Thank We All Our God' **840**

Dismissal

P Grace and peace to you,

C Thanks be to God.

Sharing of Peace

P Jesus called his followers to spread his
message and God's peace to all they met. Let
us offer each other a sign of peace as we
leave.

*People greet one another saying: "Peace be
with you".*

Postlude

Worship Assistants

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today. There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here.

Please Note:

As Trinity transitions to their new location for their offices, access to the building is changing. The Grace office is usually available Tuesday, Wed and Thurs. from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm but it is always best to call ahead 733-9135 if you need access and don't have a key.

