



**Thanksgiving Eve**  
**November 27, 2024**

**Opening Hymn #572**

***Praise to God, Immortal Praise***

1. Praise to God, immortal praise,  
For the love that crowns our days;  
Bounteous Source of every joy,  
Let Thy praise our tongues employ,  
All to Thee, our God, we owe,  
Source whence all our blessings flow.
2. All the plenty summer pours;  
Autumn's rich, o'erflowing stores;  
Flocks that whiten all the plain;  
Yellow sheaves of ripened grain, --  
Lord, for these our souls shall raise  
Grateful vows and solemn praise.
3. Peace, prosperity, and health,  
Private bliss, and public wealth,  
Knowledge with its gladdening streams,  
True religion's holier beams,  
Lord, for these our souls shall raise  
Grateful vows and solemn praise.
4. As Thy prospering hand hath blest,  
May we give Thee all our best  
And by deeds of kindly love  
For Thy mercies grateful prove,  
Singing thus through all our days  
Praise to God, immortal praise.

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

**C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.**

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence, we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### **Hymn #574**

#### ***Come, Ye Thankful People, Come***

1. Come, ye thankful people, come;  
Raise the song of Harvest-home.  
All be safely gathered in  
Ere the winter storms begin;

God, our Maker, doth provide  
For our wants to be supplied,  
Come to God's own temple, come;  
Raise the song of Harvest-home.

2. All the world is God's own field,  
Fruit unto His praise to yield;  
Wheat and tares together sown,  
Unto joy or sorrow grown;  
First the blade and then the ear,  
Then the full corn shall appear.  
Lord of harvest, grant that we  
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord, our God, shall come  
And shall take His harvest home;  
From His field shall in that day  
All offences purge away;  
Give His angels charge at last  
In the fire the tares to cast,  
But the fruitful ears to store  
In His garner evermore.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come  
To Thy final Harvest-home;  
Gather Thou Thy people in,  
Free from sorrow, free from sin,  
There, forever purified,  
In Thy garner to abide.  
Come with all Thine angels, come,  
Raise the glorious Harvest-home.

P: Come, you thankful people, come and enjoy the blessings of the Lord.

**C: O Come, let us give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.**

P: Come, you thankful people, come and lift up the name of the Lord.

**C: O come, let us worship the Lord.**

P: Come, you thankful people, come and give God the glory for his wondrous creation.

**C: O come, let us glorify the Lord.**

P: Come, you thankful people, come and pray to the Lord with petitions and requests from the heart.

**C: O come, let us pray to the Lord.**

P: Come, you thankful people, come and sing your praises to the Lord.

**C: O come, let us sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.**

P: Come, you thankful people, come and work together in sharing the goodness of God with all people.

**C: O come, let us serve the Lord.**

P: Come, you thankful people, come and enjoy the grace of God.

**C: O come, let us bless the Lord today and every day. Amen.**

### **The First Lesson – Deuteronomy 8:1-10**

“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.

### **Psalm of the Day – Psalm 146**

*Antiphon –*

*I will praise Your name forever, my King and my God.*

While I live I will | praise the Lord;\*

**I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.**

Do not put your trust in princes, nor in a | son of man,\*

**In whom there | is no help.**

His spirit departs, he returns | to his earth;\*

**In that very day his plans | perish.**

*Antiphon –*

*I will praise Your name forever, my King and my God.*

Happy is he who has the God of Jacob | for his help,\*

**Whose hope is in the | Lord his God,**

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that | is in them;\*

**Who keeps truth for-|ever,**

Who executes justice for | the oppressed,\*

**Who gives food to the hungry,**

**The Lord gives freedom to the | prisoners.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

*Antiphon –*

*I will praise Your name forever, my King and my God.*

### **The Second Lesson – 1 Timothy 2:1-4**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

### **The Gospel – Luke 17:11-19**

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.”

### **Confession of Faith**

#### **Luther's Explanation of the First Article**

**I believe that God has created me and all creatures. He has given me my body and life, eyes, ears, and all my bodily members, my mind, and all my senses and still keeps them for me.**

**God also preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, animals, and all my property and all I need to support this body and life. He protects me from all danger. He guards and defends me from every evil.**

**God does all this because He is my good and gracious Father in heaven, not because of anything I have done to earn or deserve it. For all of this it is my duty to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him.**

**This is most certainly true.**

### **Hymn of the Day #568**

#### ***We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator***

1. We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,  
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;  
We lay it before Thee, We kneel and adore Thee,  
We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

2. We worship Thee, God of our fathers, we bless Thee;  
Through life's storm and tempest our Guide hast Thou been;  
When perils o'ertake us, Escape Thou wilt make us,  
And with Thy help, O Lord, our battles we win.

3. With voices united our praises we offer,  
To Thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.  
Thy strong arm will guide us, Our God is beside us,  
To Thee, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise.

**Sermon**

***Offertory***

**Prayer of the Church – Thanksgiving**

P: Lord of heaven and earth, you made all things beautiful. You have provided green forests and refreshing streams. You have arranged the orderly procession of day and night for our work and rest.

**C: Thank you for the mountains and the prairies, the roaring sea, and the gentle breeze.**

P: Thank you for roofs that shelter us, for clothing that protects us, and for food and drink. Thank you for our work, for projects that are done well, and for the approval of supervisors and teachers. Thank you for all who serve at night to make our days more pleasant.

**C: Thank you for associates at work, for their encouragement and praise, and for the joys of human friendships.**

P: Thank you for our cities and our countrysides, for farms and factories, for streets and highways, and for all of life that flows so swiftly before us.

**C: Thank you for children at play, their boundless energy, and their shouts of joy and laughter.**

P: Thank you for the greetings we receive, and for all the smiles that come from faces loved by you.

**C: Thank you for Christian parents, for their affection and their care.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

P: Thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ, for his coming to us in Word and sacraments, for his giving and forgiving, and for listening to our prayers. Receive our gifts and offerings as our sacrifice of praise.



**C: Lead us in thankful living today and always. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

### **Sermon Hymn #792 (WS) *Let All Things Now Living***

1. 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.  
God's banners are o'er us; Hi light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
Till shadows have vanished, And darkness is banished,  
As forward we travel from light into light.

## **Prayer**

**P&C: Almighty God, your mercies are new every day. Though we are undeserving, you still abundantly provide for all our needs of body and soul. We humbly acknowledge your goodness toward us and give thanks for all your blessings. Send us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may always serve you in willing obedience. This we ask in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

## **The Benediction**

**P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.**

**C: Amen**

**Closing Hymn #36**  
***Now Thank We All Our God***

1. Now thank we all our God  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms  
Hath 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 heaven adore!  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.

**Silent Prayer**

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