

# Lord of Love Lutheran Church

# Thanksgiving Worship

**November 27, 2024** 

**OPENING ANTHEM** (Quintet)

O That I had a Thousand Voices

The words of this hymn are printed below for you to follow while the quintet sings.

O that I had a thousand voices!

A mouth to speak with thousand tongues!

My heart which in the Lord rejoices,

Then would proclaim in grateful songs,

To all, wherever I might be,

What great things God hath done for me.

O that my voice might high be sounding,
Far as the widely distant poles;
My blood run quick with rapture bounding,
Long as its vital current roles,
And ev'ry pulse thanksgiving raise,
And ev'ry breath a hymn of praise.

O Father, deign Thou, I beseech Thee,
To listen to my earthly lays;
A nobler strain in heav'n shall reach Thee,
When I with angels hymn Thy praise,
And learn amid their choirs to sing,
Loud hallelujahs to my King.

### **INVOCATION**

**M:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. (spoken)

#### THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE

selected verses from Psalm 65

M: Praise awaits you, O God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled.

C: O you who hear our prayer, to you all men will come.

(sung) Praise to God, immortal praise, For the love that crowns our days.

Bounteous Source of ev'ry joy, Let your praise our tongues employ.

All to you, our God, we owe, Source whence all our blessings flow.

(CW 612:1)

**M:** Those living far away fear your wonders;

C: Where morning dawns and evening fades, you call forth songs of joy.

M: You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly.

C: The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it.

**M**: You drench its furrows and level its ridges; you soften it with showers and bless its crops.

C: You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance.

M: The grasslands of the desert overflow; the hills are clothed with gladness.

C: The meadows are covered with flocks and the valleys are mantled with grain; they shout for joy and sing.

(sung) 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. (CW 612:2)

M: Because our God of grace uses his mighty power to rescue us, we humbly approach his throne, penitent for our sins and begging for his full and free forgiveness.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

**M:** Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever. 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.

(sung) Peace, prosperity, and health, Private bliss and public wealth, Knowledge with its gladd'ning streams, True religion's holier beams – Lord, for these our souls shall raise, Grateful vows and solemn praise. (CW 612:3)

M: When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions.

C: Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

**M:** We are filled with the good things of your house.

C: We are filled with the blessings of your holy temple.

**M:** You answer us, God our Savior, and you save us with awesome deeds of righteousness.

C: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth.

M: You set the mountains in place by your strength, showing your mighty power.

C: You calm the roar of the sea; you calm the peoples' uproar.

(sung) As your prospering hand has blest, May we give you of our best, And by deeds of kindly love, For your mercies grateful prove, Singing thus through all our days: "Praise to God, immortal praise." (CW 612:4)

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen. (spoken)

### THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 8:1-10

Be conscientious about carrying out the entire body of commands that I am giving you today so that you may thrive and increase and you may go in and possess the land that the LORD promised by oath to give to your fathers. <sup>2</sup> Remember the whole journey on which the LORD your God led you these forty years in the wilderness, in order to humble you and to test you, in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commandments. <sup>3</sup> So he humbled you and allowed you to be hungry. Then he fed you manna, which neither you nor your fathers had known before, in order to teach you that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>4</sup> The clothes you wore did not wear out, and your feet did not swell these forty years. <sup>5</sup> So know in your heart that just as a man disciplines his son, so the LORD your God disciplines you. <sup>6</sup> Therefore you are to keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by revering him. <sup>7</sup> For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of gullies filled with water, a land with springs and groundwater that flows out into the valleys and down the mountains, <sup>8</sup> a land with wheat and barley and vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees for oil, and honey, <sup>9</sup> a land where you can eat bread and not be poor, where you will not lack anything, a land whose rocks are iron and from whose mountains you can mine copper. <sup>10</sup> Then you will eat, and you will be filled, and you will praise the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

<sup>6</sup> Do not worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> 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 right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if anything is excellent, and if anything is praiseworthy, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> The things that you learned, received, heard, and saw in me: Keep doing these things. And the God of peace will be with you. <sup>10</sup> I rejoice greatly in the Lord now that you have revived your concern for me once again. Actually, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup> I am not saying this because I lack anything; in fact, I have learned to be content in any circumstances in which I find myself. <sup>12</sup> I know what it is to live in humble circumstances, and I know what it is to have more than enough. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, while being full or hungry, while having plenty or not enough. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

### **VERSE OF THE DAY**

**M:** Alleluia, alleluia. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 17:11-19

<sup>11</sup> On another occasion, as Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem, he was passing along the border between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> When he entered a certain village, ten men with leprosy met him. Standing at a distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out loudly, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they went away they were cleansed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He fell on his face at Jesus' feet, thanking him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Jesus responded, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give glory to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, "Get up and go your way. Your faith has saved you."



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**SERMON** 

Luke 17:11-19 (especially v. 16)

He fell on his face at Jesus' feet, thanking him.

"Fall-on-Your-Face" Gratitude

# **CONFESSION OF FAITH (from Luther's Small Catechism, First Article)**

C: I believe that God made me and all creatures, and that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my mind, my senses, and all my abilities. And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, cattle, and all my goods, and all that I need to keep my body and life; and by defending me against all danger and guarding and protecting me from all evil. All this God does only because he is my good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him. This is most certainly true. Amen.

### **GATHERING OF THANK OFFERING**

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register at this time.

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THANKSGIVING

**M:** Heavenly Father, every good and perfect gift comes from you. We remember your loving kindness and your mercies which are new every day.

# C: We join our voices in grateful praise.

M: For the beauty and bounty of the world; for day and night, summer and winter, seed-time and harvest; and for the varied joys that every season brings;

# C: We give you thanks, O God.

M: For the joys and comforts of life; for homes and families; for friends, neighbors, and coworkers; and for the love of those you have put into our lives;

# C: We give you thanks, O God.

**M:** For the opportunities you give us to serve others; for the tasks and trials you place before us; and for the comfort we are blessed to bring to those around us;

# C: We give you thanks, O God.

M: For the gift of Jesus Christ; for the forgiveness of sins and justification in your sight that is ours through faith; and for the many and varied ways of living out this faith in our lives:

# C: We give you thanks, O God.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.* 

**M:** For the sure and certain hope of heaven; for the promise that we will one day stand before your throne; and for the unending joy that will be ours when we join our voices with all the saints in your presence;

# C: We give you thanks, O God.

**M:** Until that glorious day, cause us to live our lives in gratitude to you.

C: Send us out into the world to daily praise and thank you for all your undeserved blessings. Amen.

### LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### THE BLESSING

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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. (spoken)



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# **Serving Us This Evening:**

# Wednesday November 22: Thanksgiving Worship 6:30 pm

Pastor Joel Jenswold

• Pianist: Kristin Huebner

• Ushers: Bob Degnan,

• A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

# **Sunday December 1:** Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion 9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Sunday School and Teen Class

Pastor Joel Jenswold

• Organist: Jennifer Boll

Councilman: 8:00: Dave Olson, 10:30: Steve Kalscheuer

Ushers 8:00: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund, Kayden and Kourtney Zech

Ushers 10:30: Josh Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman

Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter

• Altar Guild: Colleen Biwer

A/V & Recording: TBD

Refreshments: Cindy Crary – Sponsored by Kwik Trip



# Christmas Tree Set Up & Decorating: This Sat. Nov. 30 at 9 am



Refreshments will be served.

# Ladies Friendship Holiday Dinner Outing | December 5, 6:00 pm | Rodeside Grill

What a fun evening this will be for the ladies of our congregation to enjoy a dinner out, followed by a joyful time for a Holiday game & fellowship. There will also be an ornament exchange for those who are interested. Simply bring an ornament of a value of \$5 or less to participate in the exchange. You do not have to participate to attend. This Holiday Dinner Outing is open to all the ladies our congregation. Please sign-up if you plan to attend, so we know how many to reserve space for.

<u>Christmas Eve Service Musicians</u> If there are members (any ages) that would like to participate in the pre or post service music on Christmas Eve, please speak with Kristin Huebner. Musical selections would be of a religious nature (not secular) and for children, we ask that their current piano, band, or vocal teacher be able to assist in the preparation of their choice. Kristin can be reached at 608-217-5109 (text or voice) and kmhueb@gmail.com



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# "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.