In many ways, this proclamation, made by President Abraham Lincoln, set the precedent for America's National Day of Thanksgiving.

"The year that is drawing toward its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. . . . No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens."

Today, we join in giving thanks and praise to our loving heavenly Father.

Thanksgiving Worship
November 21, 2018

AS WE GATHER

Thanksgiving means overeating for many Americans, but all that food isn't good for us. Moreover, the adage is still true: "You are what you eat." Our preoccupation with what is in front of our eyes clouds the food we truly need—the soul food, our Lord Himself. He comes to us whenever and wherever the Word is proclaimed; indeed, He is the Word in the flesh. When we find nourishment from Him, every part of our life is strengthened. Only with His Spirit within us are we able to think on whatever is true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, commendable, excellent, and worthy of praise, as Paul exhorts in the Epistle. Being fed by the Word, our Lord Jesus Christ, is cause for thanksgiving every time we receive Him aurally in the proclaimed Gospel and orally in the Eucharist.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE THANKSGIVING BELLS

CALL TO WORSHIP *"Blessings"*
Sandra Kerr, soloist

PRELUDE AND MEDITATION *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* *Hope Ringers*

The sanctuary is a place of meditation and preparation for worship. Therefore, as the prelude begins, we cease our conversations and quiet our hearts to converse silently with God.

(Please stand and face the Processional Cross)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"* *LSB 892*
with Hope Ringers

INVOCATION, CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

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

C: Amen.

P: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

C: And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

P: Although we are anxious about many things, God's peace comes to us daily. Let us confess our sins, trusting that for Jesus' sake our heavenly Father will guard our hearts and minds with His peace. *(Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.)* Brothers and sisters, in today's Epistle, Paul urges, "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

C: We confess that we have spoken lies, dishonored God's name, judged people on sight, adopted society's impure values, failed to tend to God's good creation, and forgotten to thank Him for providing all we need from day to day.

Heavenly Father, for the sake of Your Son, who did all things well and to whom alone belongs all the praise, we ask You to forgive what is past, graciously strengthen us for this day, and by Your indwelling Spirit move our feet to walk in ways pleasing to You.

P: Paul was inspired to promise, "God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." Our heavenly Father does indeed supply your deepest need. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✞ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God.

KYRIE

P: Lord, have mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Christ, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy.

P: Lord, have mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy.

SONG OF PRAISE *"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"*

(Chorus) Bless the Lord, O my soul, O— my soul; Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes. *(Chorus)*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *(Chorus)*

(Musical Interlude)

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
the end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending ten thousand years,
and then forever more! *(Chorus)*

(Final Chorus) Bless the Lord, O my soul, O— my soul; Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name,
Worship Your holy name—, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

(Musical Interlude)

Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name,
Worship Your holy name, worship Your holy name.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul.

C: Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days;

P: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Song of Joyful Thanks"*

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

OLD TESTAMENT *Deuteronomy 8:1-10 (p.152)*

(In the good land, remember God's fatherly care.)

1"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. 2And 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.
3And 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 that comes from the mouth of the Lord.
4Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years.
5Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God
disciplines you. 6So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking
in his ways and by fearing him. 7For 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, 8a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of
olive trees and honey, 9a 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. 10And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the
good land he has given you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Philippians 4:6-20 (p.982)*

(God will supply every need.)

[6]do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. [7]And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. [8]Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. [9]What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. [10]I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. [11]Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. [12]I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. [13]I can do all things through him who strengthens me. [14]Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. [15]And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. [16]Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. [17]Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. [18]I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. [19]And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. [20]To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE *"I'm Forever Grateful"* *ABS (1) 182*

You did not wait for me to draw near to You,
But You clothed Yourself with frail humanity;
You did not wait for me to cry out to You,
But You let me hear Your voice calling me.

(Chorus) **And I'm forever grateful to You, I'm forever grateful for the cross;**
I'm forever grateful to You, That You came to seek and save the lost.

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HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 17:11–19 (p.876)*

(Only one leper returns to give thanks.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

C: *(Spoken)* **Glory to You, O Lord!**

[11]On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. [12]And as
he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance [13]and lifted up
their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." [14]When he saw them he said to
them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed.
[15]Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a
loud voice; [16]and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a
Samaritan. [17]Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? [18]Was
no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" [19]And he said to
him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(Spoken)* **Praise to You, O Christ!**

SONG OF THE DAY *"Forever"* *ABS (3) 5*

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King; His love endures forever.
For He is good, He is above all things; His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm; His love endures forever.
For the life that's been reborn; His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

(Chorus)

Forever God is faithful, Forever God is strong, Forever God is with us, forever.
Forever God is faithful, Forever God is strong,
Forever God is with us, Forever, forever.

From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever.
And by the grace of God we will carry on; His love endures forever.
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise. *(Chorus)*

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MESSAGE *"REMEMBER The LORD Your God"* *Deuteronomy 8:1-10*

Rev. Shea Pennington

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord, help me to grasp that all the blessings I think I have are really Yours. Help me to grasp that all the blessings our church has does not belong to the church, but to You. Give us healthy giving hearts to use these blessings according to Your purpose. In Your name I pray. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

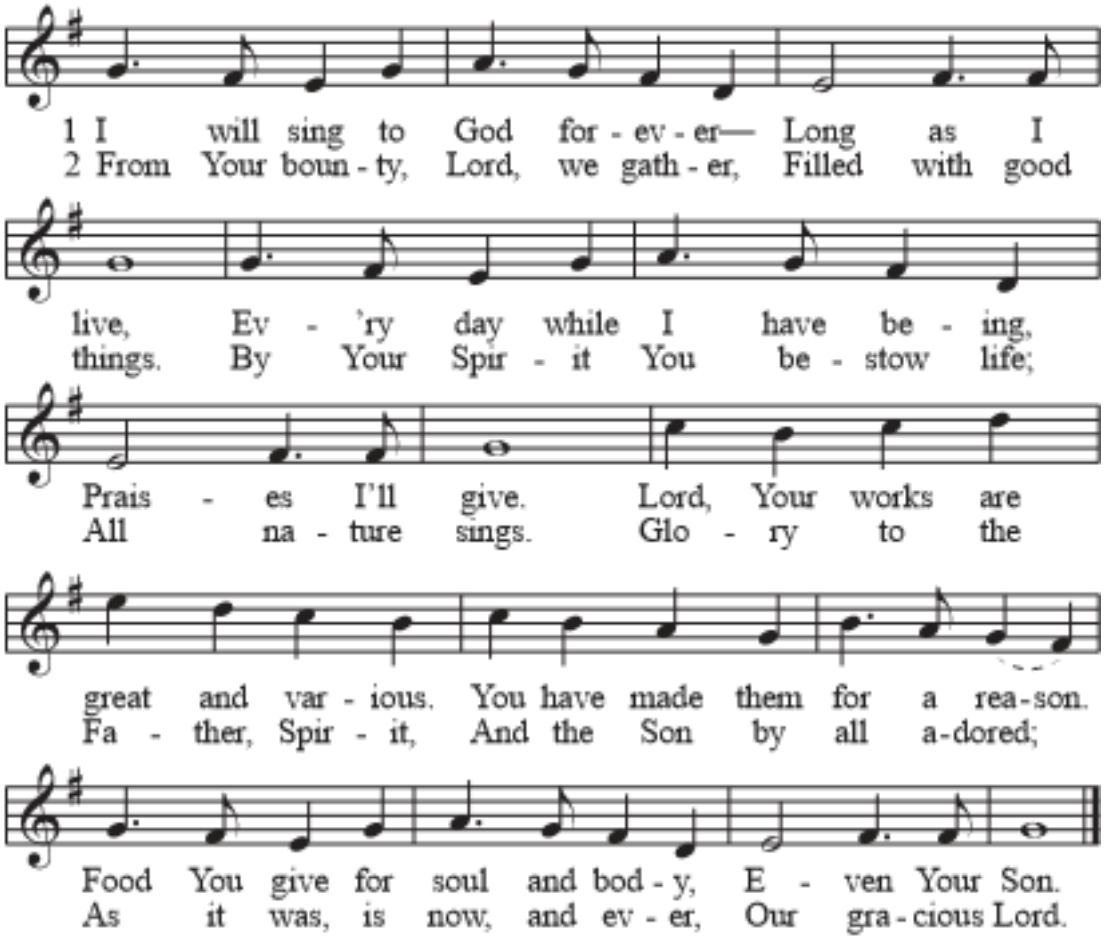
As the offerings are received, please sign the register in the pews, whether you are a member of Hope Lutheran or a visitor. The person at the end of the pew should start and then pass it along. Thank you for making worship with us a priority this Lord's Day.

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Our tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the gospel. Our offerings are our special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.

VOLUNTARY *"Canon in D"*

OFFERTORY *"I Will Sing to God Forever"*



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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: People loved by God, let us give to Him all thanks and praise this day as we say:

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the good gifts of this country, our community, our neighbors and all things that fill life with joy and meaning, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For food and drink, for family and friends, for the foretaste of the heavenly feast You grant us even in our earthly gatherings, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the opportunity to share Your good gifts with those less fortunate, for every act of kindness and compassion, for every listening ear and caring heart, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For those who labor to hold chaos at bay: those entrusted with civil authority, our first responders, our health-care workers and social workers, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For those who tenderly care for the weak and vulnerable among us, those who work in nursing homes and child-care centers, and all who keep watch that others may sleep in peace, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For those who teach and those who learn in the schools of the church and of the nation, and for all who seek to impart the light of knowledge and the hope of betterment, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the gift of the Word of God, for those who proclaim it so faithfully among us, and for those who gather to hear it, ponder it and grow in it, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the grace of Baptism and the gift of a fresh start to each day in Your forgiving love, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the unspeakable love You show us in the gift of Christ's body and blood for our forgiveness, for the peace this Sacrament brings us, and for the hope that it pours into our lives, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the promise of everlasting life in Christ, for those we knew and love who have fallen asleep in Him, for the new heavens and the new earth, and for the city with foundations, whose builder and maker is God, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For the glory of Your holiness, the comfort of Your love, the joy of sins forgiven and the peace of death defeated, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever!

P: For all these blessings and so many more that we can never number or name them all, for all people and for all things, O Lord, our God,

C: blessed are You forever! Amen.

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We listen again to the very words spoken by Jesus Christ in the upper room, "take and eat, this is my body… take and drink, this is my blood". We prepare to receive what Jesus has promised to share with us, His very presence. As we eat this bread and drink this wine, Christ nourishes us, forgives us and strengthens us with His presence.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI *"Jesus, Lamb of God"* *(tune: LSB 892)*

Jesus, Lamb of God, we pray, Show Your mercy here this day.
Jesus, Lamb of God, do Thou, Shower mercy on us now.
Gather Thou Thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin:
Come with all Thine angels, come, Raise the glorious harvest home.

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COMMUNION STATEMENT

If you desire to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please remember that the Sacrament of Holy Communion is available to those who: [1]Are baptized AND instructed in the Christian faith; [2]Examine themselves in a manner appropriate to adult maturity and recognize their own need for forgiveness; [3]Believe that the Crucified and Risen Lord is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine; [4]Believe that in this sacrament God gives us forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith; [5]Accept their place of responsibility in the whole church on earth. If this is your sincere belief, then joyfully share this sacrament with us. If this is not your belief, please remain seated for a time of prayer on the many blessings God has given you. If you have any questions, please see a pastor or an elder. Please remember the words of St. Paul, "For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:29) For those with dietary restrictions, a light-colored grape juice is also served in the center of the tray, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

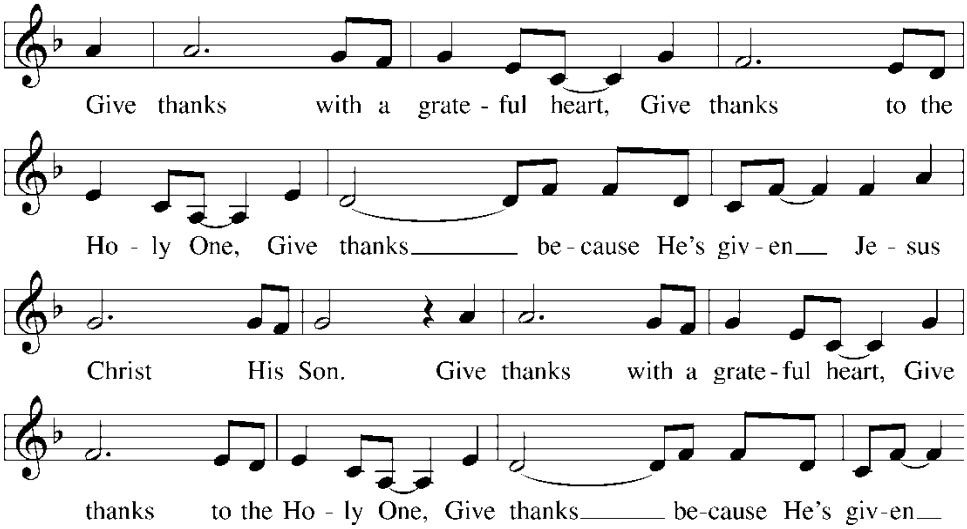
Note: During distribution, one of our pastors will be in the back of the church for a time of individual prayer with anyone desiring.

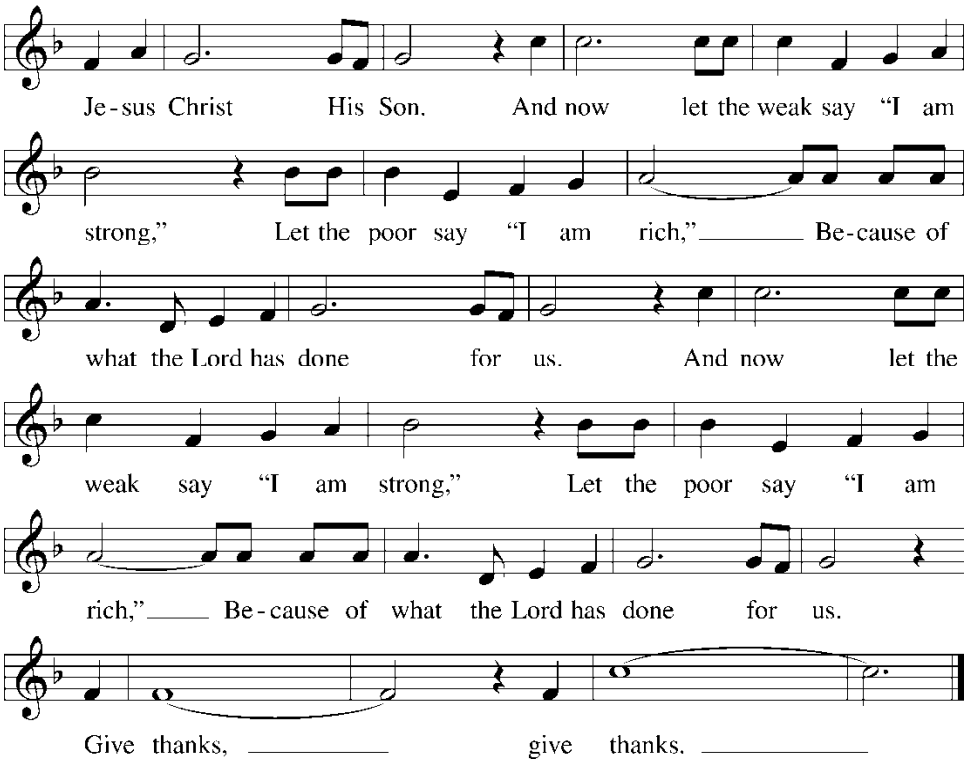
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"We Praise You, O God" *LSB 785*

"How Great Thou Art" *LSB 801*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"* *LSB 806*





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BENEDICTION

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

P: We are now entering the mission field!

C: 'Here am I! Send me!'

RECESSIONAL HYMN *"Now Thank We All Our God"* *LSB 895*

POSTLUDE *"Tis the Gift to Be Simple"* *John A. Behnke*

ASKING A BLESSING AND RETURNING THANKS

The following prayers are contained in Luther's Small Catechism as ways to ask for a pre-meal blessing and return thanks following the meal. Consider incorporating these as part of your Thanksgiving celebration.

Asking a Blessing

The children and members of the household shall go to the table reverently, fold their hands, and say:

The eyes of all look to You, [O Lord,] and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. *(Psalm 145:15–16)*

Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer and the following:

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Returning Thanks

Also, after eating, they shall, in like manner, reverently and with folded hands say:

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His love endures forever. [He] gives food to every creature. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man; the Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love. *(Psalm 136:1, 25; 147:9–11)*

Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer and the following:

We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, for all Your benefits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Advent begins Sunday, December 2nd

Sundays

8:00AM & 10:30AM – Worship
9:15AM – Family Bible Hour
4:00PM – Spanish Worship

Wednesdays

4:30PM – Traditional Worship
5:15PM – Fellowship Dinner
6:30PM – Family Worship

Ye Olde Merry Christmas

11TH ANNUAL LADIES' ADVENT TEA

DECEMBER 1, 2018

11:00AM—1:00PM

Seats are limited—See Nora to reserve your spot!

Advent Wednesdays

4:30PM — Traditional Worship | 5:15PM — Fellowship Dinner | 6:30PM — Family Worship

December 5: Our Potter (Isaiah 64:8)

God is with us as our Potter, who shapes us according to his will.
Dinner Host: Missions & Outreach Ministry | Menu: Chicken Casserole

December 12: Our Shepherd (Isaiah 40:11)

God is with us as our Shepherd, who carries us close to his heart.
Dinner Host: Youth & Youth Ministry Team | Menu: Wendy's Chili

December 19: Our Living Branch (Isaiah 11:1)

God is with us as our Living Branch, who died and rose to give us eternal life.
Dinner Host: Music Ministry | Menu: Lasagna & Salad

*Menus subject to change.

We, the staff of Hope Lutheran Church, give thanks to our creating, loving and all-providing God FOR YOU and WITH YOU!

Pastor Pfeffer Christine Pastor Shea

Lyn Joyce Jessica

Serving the Lord this Thanksgiving Eve:

Officiant.....Rev. Dean R. Pfeffer, *Senior Pastor*
Preacher.....Rev. Shea R. Pennington, *Associate Pastor*
Organist.....Christine Mansell, *Director of Music*
Bell Ringer.....Kaylee Greatens
Crucifer.....Bryan Greatens
Acolyte.....Bryan Greatens
Lector.....Carl Bergner
Elder on Duty.....Todd Warner
Flowers.....Pfeffer family
Offerings.....Alison Reaume & Cathie Warner
Ushers.....Team 2

The flowers are placed on the altar today to the Glory of God by Pastor Dean & Liz Pfeffer in thanksgiving of Christine Mansell's 46 years of ministry at Hope and God's many blessings this past year

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