



Thanksgiving

We welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ all who give thanks with us today.
May God's immeasurable love for you move you to thank him with your lips, and with
your life given in service to your Savior.

Wednesday Prelude Music: We Praise You O God
Come Ye Thankful People Come
Now Thank We All Our God

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HYMN: CW610

“Now Thank We All Our God”

THANKSGIVING

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Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and
2 Oh, may this boun - teous God Through all our
3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther



hands and voic - es, Who won - drous things has done,
life be near us, With ev - er - joy - ful hearts
now be giv - en, The Son, and him who reigns



In whom his world re - joic - es, Who from our
And bless - ed peace to cheer us And keep us
With them in high - est heav - en, The one e -



moth - er's arms Has blessed us on our way With
in his grace And guide us when per - plexed And
ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore! For



count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
free us from all ills In this world and the next.
thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

INVOCATION AND LITANY

M(inister): In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

C(ongregation): Amen! Give thanks to his holy name.

M: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

C: For his love endures forever.

M: The LORD is with me; I will not be afraid.

C: What can man do to me?

M: The LORD is my strength and my song;

C: He has become my salvation.

M: I will not die but live,

C: And will proclaim what the LORD has done.

M: This is the day the LORD has made;

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

M: You are my God, and I will give you thanks;

C: You are my God, and I will exalt you.

M: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

C: His love endures forever.

RESPONSE: *CW 234 (vs. 1-3)*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**Praise to the Lord the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?**

**Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief ever has failed of relief?
Wings of his mercy did shade you.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 8:10-18

¹⁰ When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

¹¹ Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. ¹² Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ¹⁵ He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. ¹⁶ He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. ¹⁷ You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” ¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:10-20

¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength. ¹⁴ Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. ¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. ¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. ¹⁸ I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹ Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³ and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶ He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?” ¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

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For the Fruit of His Creation



1 For the fruit of his cre - a - tion, Thanks be to
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to



God. For his gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks
 done. In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's
 God. For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks



be to God. For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing,
 will be done. In our world - wide task of car - ing
 be to God. For the won - ders that as - tound us,



Si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing, Fu - ture
 For the hun - gry and de - spair - ing, In the
 For the truths that still con - found us, Most of



needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.
 har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 all that Love has found us, Thanks be to God.

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Tune: AR HYD Y NOS (84 84 888 4) Welsh melody, 18th century.

SERMON

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-12

8 When the seventh month came and the Israelites were in their cities,[a] all the people gathered together at the public square that is in front of the Water Gate. They told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded Israel. ² So on the first day of the seventh month, Ezra the priest brought the Law before the congregation, both men and women and all who were able to understand what they heard. ³ From dawn until midday in front of the public square in front of the Water Gate, he read from the scroll, while facing the men, the women, and those who could understand. All the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

⁵ All the people could see Ezra as he opened the scroll, because he was elevated above all the people. As he opened the scroll, all the people stood. ⁶ Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen! Amen!" while they lifted up their hands and then knelt and bowed down with their faces to the ground.

⁸ So they read from the Book of the Law of God clearly and interpreted it, and the people understood what was read. ⁹ Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites, who helped the people understand, said to all the people, “Today is holy to the Lord your God. Do not mourn or cry!” because all the people were crying as they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰ Nehemiah said to them, “Go, eat rich food and drink sweet drinks and send portions to those who have nothing prepared, because today is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, because the joy of the Lord is your strength.” ¹¹ Then the Levites silenced all the people, saying, “Hush! Today is holy. Do not grieve.” ¹² All the people went to eat and drink and to send portions to others and to celebrate with great joy, because they understood the words that had been made known to them.

Enduring Joy is Found in God’s Forgiveness

THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

M: 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.**

M: 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.**

M: Thank you for our cities and our countryside, 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.**

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

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

M: Hear us, Lord, as we give thanks for personal blessings.

Silent prayer.

M: 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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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.

CLOSING HYMN: CW 334

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

CLOSE OF SERVICE

334 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The image shows the musical notation for the hymn 'Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow'. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n -
ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, abr.

Tune: OLD HUNDREDETH (LM) *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551.

Wednesday Postlude: Praise to the Lord the Almighty

David Paxton

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