

THANKSGIVING DAY

November 25, 2021

9:30 A.M.

PRE-SERVICE

“River of Hope”

M. Sweeney

ANNOUNCEMENT

INVITATION TO WORSHIP (Psalm 150)

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

C: **Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.**

P: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,

C: **Praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe,**

P: Praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.

C: **Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.**

OPENING HYMN #795

“Voices Raised to You We Offer”

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Let us come before the Lord, our Provider and Protector, with humble hearts. For we owe our health to the One who protects us. We owe our wealth to the One who provides for us. We owe our lives to the One who created us. And we owe our salvation to the One who died for us. Let us pause now and reflect on our many blessings, asking the Lord’s forgiveness for those times we have failed to trust Him and have forgotten to thank Him.

(Silence for personal reflection.)

All: Heavenly Father, we are convicted of our sins by Your clear Word and by our own conscience. We have not always been Your thankful people. Too often we grumble and complain, failing to be satisfied with what You have given us, and forgetting to share with others. Forgive us, Lord God, for the sake of Jesus. Help us be content at all times, and cause us to rejoice in Your salvation. Amen.

P: God has heard Your confession and in His mercy has forgiven you through the blood of Jesus, His Son. All praise be to God! Give thanks to Him with your lips, and with your lives.

All: Amen. Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF RESPONSE #785 *Stz. 1 & 3* “We Praise You, O God”

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

With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ANTHEM “Blessed By God Beyond Description” J. Behnke

EPISTLE READING Philippians 4:4-13

In all things pray, with thanksgiving and praise, to God.

ANTHEM

“O How Amiable”

R. V. Williams

GOSPEL READING

Luke 17:11-19

*One leper praises and thanks God for his healing.***PROFESSION OF FAITH** *(Martin Luther’s explanation of the First Article of the Apostles’ Creed)*

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Where The Swallow Makes Her Nest”*(Choir sings stanza 3) (Words are printed on page 5)***MESSAGE**

”Praise: The Where, Why, When, Who, and What”

VOLUNTARY

“Nettleton”

J. Vinson

HYMN #894

“For the Fruits of His Creation”

THANKSGIVING PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

P: The Lord bless you with a grateful heart, your love for Him increase.
The Lord make His face shine upon you, may doubts and grumblings cease.
The Lord look upon you with favor, that you abide in perfect peace.

C: **Praise the Lord! He is good! His love endures forever!**

SENDING HYMN #895

“Now Thank We All Our God”

*(Following the service, you are invited to join us in the
Church Parlor for pie squares and fellowship.)*

POSTLUDE

“Thanksgiving Hymn”

F. J. Allen



HYMN OF THE DAY

Where the Swallow Makes Her Nest



1. Where the swal-low makes her nest, There God's peo-ple find their rest.
2. Pause a - mid the rush of time, Pon - der mys - te - ries sub - lime:
Choir: 3. What if some-one had not cared, What if some-one had not dared?
4. What a treas-ure to re - ceive! What a le - ga - cy to leave!
5. Eyes up - on our home a - bove, Thank and praise our God of love;



Who can count the lav - ish bless - ings God has poured up - on this flock?
Who we are and how we got here, Why God chose us long a - go,
Would we still be trapped in blind - ness, Lone - ly, hope - less, and a - fraid?
Here the Word in - vit - ed, saved us, Ga - thered us - one fam - i - ly;
Test the chal - lenge and the vi - sion Of a world yet to be won,



Who re - mem - bers what re - fresh - ings Flow to all from Christ the Rock?
Still sus - tains our bless - ed lot here, Gives us all we need to grow.
Would we know God's grace and kind - ness, Or this re - fuge read - y made?
On the hand of God en - graved us, Made each one a fruit - ful tree.
And with bold - ness and de - ci - sion Build on what was here be - gun.



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Eyes up - on our home a - bove, Thank and praise our God of love!

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in thanksgiving to God on the occasion of our 150th anniversary.*

ALTAR FLOWERS

for Thanksgiving are for Maynard and Dora Haubenstricker's 60th anniversary on November 25



ADVENT SERVICES BEGIN ON DECEMBER 1 AT 9:30 A.M., 5 & 7 P.M.

THOSE WHO SERVED IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Service CoordinatorsEric and Stephanie Baarck

Ushers Tom Bierlein, Jim Schoenow, Tim Gilmour,
Bob and Luke Scharrer, Marty Zehnder, Ed Kuck, Eric Hill

MediaGary Schiefer

Choirs Wind Ensemble ~ Michael Keller, Director
Mass Choir ~ Dr. Scott Hyslop, Director

OrganistDr. Scott Hyslop

Pastor Rev. Brad Hubbard

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Christmas and New Year's Worship

Dec. 24	1:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship (WEC)
	3:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship
	5:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship
Dec. 25	8:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Worship
	9:30 a.m.	Christmas Day Worship
Dec. 31	5:00 p.m.	New Year's Eve Worship

