

THANKSGIVING DAY

November 24, 2022

9:30 A.M.

PRE-SERVICE

	“Cumberland Cross”	<i>C. Strommen</i>
	Suite from “The New World”	<i>A. Dvořák/ arr M. Story</i>
I. Allegro Molto	II. Largo	III. Allegro con fuoco

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done.

C: **I will give thanks to the Lord because of His righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High.**

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.

C: **My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song.**

P: Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

OPENING HYMN #795..... “Voices Raised to You We Offer”
(Choir sings stanza 3~Congregation please join in on refrain)

PSALMODY *(Selected verses from Psalm 67)*

P: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

C: **that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.**

P: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C: **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

P: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C: **The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.**

P: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

C: **Amen**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Let us come before the Lord, our Provider, with hearts bowed in humble gratitude. We owe our health to the One who sustains 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 the gifts You shower upon us. Too often we keep for ourselves what You mean for us to share with others.

Forgive us, Lord God, for the sake of Jesus. Cause us to rejoice in Your salvation. Make us content at all times, that we may truly give thanks to You, our God and Savior. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONDeuteronomy 8:1-10

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Timothy 2:1-4

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 18:9-14

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, spouse 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)

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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MESSAGE

“What I’m Thankful For”

OFFERING

VOLUNTARY

“Chorale from Cantata no. 79”

J. S. Bach
arr. R. van Beringen

Nun danket alle Gott
Mit Herzen, Mund und Händen,
Der große Dinge tut
An uns und allen Enden
Der uns von Mutterleib
Und Kindesbeinen an
Un zählig viel zu gut
Und noch jetzo getan.

*Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices
Who wondrous things has done
In Whom His world rejoices
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today.*

OFFERTORY HYMN #785..... “We Praise You, O God”

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.

BENEDICTION

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 every day, that doubts and grumblings cease.

The Lord look upon you with favor as His child, that you abide in perfect peace.

C: **Thanks be to God! He is good! His love endures forever!**

SENDING HYMN #895..... “Now Thank We All Our God”
(Choir will sing verse 2)

POSTLUDE

“Nun Danket alle Gott - Op.65, No. 13”

S. Karg-Elert

Serving in Our Worship Today

Pastor Brad Hubbard

Organist

Myles Hayden

Choir

Mass Choir - Myles Hayden, director

Musicians

Wind Ensemble -

Michael Keller/Brendan Krueger, directors

Service Coordinators

Kurt & Sally Eischer

Media - Jamison Zehnder

Ushers

Frank Bender, Gene Palmreuter, Andrew Palmreuter,
Mary Galsterer, Mark Haubenstricker, Ryan and
Maxwell Bender, Mel Braeutigam, Martin Daenzer,
Ken Maurer, John Nuechterlein