

# Order of Worship

#### **Pre-Service Music and Welcome**

# **Dialogue for Thanksgiving**

(the congregation will respond as indicated)

P: <sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD from the heavens.

Praise him in the heights.

<sup>2</sup> Praise him, all his angels.

Praise him, all his armies.

<sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon.

Praise him, all you bright stars.

<sup>4</sup> Praise him, you highest heavens

and you waters which are above the heavens.

<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,

because he commanded, and they were created.

<sup>6</sup>He caused them to stand forever and ever.

He gave a decree, and it will not pass away.

<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth,

great sea creatures and all the depths,

<sup>8</sup> fire and hail, snow and fog,

storm winds that obey his word,

<sup>9</sup> mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars,

<sup>10</sup> wild animals and all cattle,

crawling creatures and flying birds,

11 kings of the earth and all peoples,

officials and all judges on earth,

12 young men and also young women,

old people with young people.

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted.

His splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

Psalm 148

#### C: I believe that God made me and all that exits.

## Congregation sings

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Christian Worship 234 st. 1

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.

P: <sup>14</sup> I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Your works are wonderful, and my soul knows that very well.

<sup>15</sup> My bones were not hidden from you when I was made in
the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths
of the earth. <sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unfinished body.
In your book all of them were written.
Days were determined, before any of them existed.

<sup>17</sup> Your thoughts to me are so precious, O God!
How great is the sum of them! <sup>18</sup> If I would count them,
they would outnumber the grains of sand.
I awake, and I am still with you.

\*\*Psalm 138:14-18\*\*

C: I believe that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.

Congregation sings "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Christian Worship 234 st. 3

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.

P: <sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD, O my soul. <sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long as I live. I will make music to my God as long as I exist.

He returns to the ground he came from.

On that day, his plans have perished.

<sup>5</sup>Blessed is everyone who has the God of Jacob as his help. His hope is in the LORD his God, <sup>6</sup> the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything which is in them.

He is the one who stays faithful forever.

He gives food to the hungry.

The LORD releases prisoners.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down.

The LORD loves the righteous.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but he turns aside the way of the wicked.

Psalm 146:1-9

C: I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, property and home, spouse and children, land, cattle, and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life

Congregation sings

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Christian Worship 234 st. 2

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.

P: <sup>1</sup>One who lives in the shelter of the Most High will stay in the shadow of the Almighty.
<sup>2</sup>I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God in whom I trust."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Do not trust in human helpers, in a mortal man who cannot save you. <sup>4</sup> His spirit departs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>He obtains justice for the oppressed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The LORD watches over the aliens.

<sup>3</sup> Surely he will rescue you from the fowler's trap, from the destructive plague.

<sup>4</sup> With his feathers he will cover you, and under his wings you will find refuge. His truth will be your shield and armor.

<sup>5</sup> You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, <sup>6</sup> nor the plague that prowls in the darkness, nor the pestilence that destroys at noon.

<sup>7</sup> A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

<sup>8</sup> You will only observe it with your eyes.

You will see the punishment of the wicked.

<sup>9</sup>Yes, you, LORD, are my refuge!

If you make the Most High your shelter,

<sup>10</sup> evil will not overtake you.

Disaster will not come near your tent.

<sup>11</sup> Yes, he will give a command to his angels concerning you, to guard you in all your ways.

They will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. *Psalm 91:1-12* 

# C: I believe that God preserves me by defending me against all danger, guarding and protecting me from all evil.

Congregation sings

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Christian Worship 234 st. 4

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do as with his love he befriends us.

P: <sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul. All that is within me, bless his holy name.

<sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits— <sup>3</sup> who pardons all your guilt, who heals all your diseases, <sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with mercy and compassion, <sup>5</sup> who satisfies your life with goodness, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle <sup>8</sup> The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in mercy. <sup>3</sup> As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him. <sup>14</sup> For he knows how we were formed. He remembers that we are dust. <sup>17</sup> But the LORD's mercy is from eternity to eternity over those who fear him, and his righteousness is with their children's children, <sup>18</sup> with those who keep his covenant, with those who remember his precepts in order to obey them. Psalm 103 1-5, 8, 13-14, 17-18

C: 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.

(the congregation will rise)

Congregation sings

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Christian Worship 234 st. 5

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him!

## **Opening Prayer**

P: O heavenly Father, it is with humble hearts that we stand before you. Everything we have in this life as well as everything we need for it, you have freely and wisely given. Lead us to rejoice in every good and gracious gift. Help us receive them with gratitude and great joy. Purify our hearts so that we cherish them and use them to your glory. On this day, as well as every day, lead us to offer you our thanksgiving and praise, because you are our God and will exercise your loving care until we join you in heaven. In Jesus name, accept our prayer, and for his sake, bless us as we worship you.

C: Amen.

### The Lessons from God's Word

"I will extol the Lord, his praise will always be on my lips!"

## **Lesson** Deuteronomy 8:10–18

<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. 11Be very careful so that you do not forget the Lord your God by not keeping his commandments and ordinances and his statutes that I am commanding you today. <sup>12</sup>When you eat and are satisfied, and you build nice houses and move into them, <sup>13</sup> and your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold increase, and everything that you have prospers, <sup>14</sup>watch out so that your heart does not become arrogant and forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, where you were slaves. 15Do not forget the Lord, who led you in the great and terrifying wilderness, where there were venomous snakes and scorpions, where the thirsty ground had no water, but the Lord made water come out of a flint rock for you. <sup>16</sup>Do not forget the Lord, who in the wilderness fed you manna, which your fathers had not known before, to humble you and to test you so that it would be good for you later on.

<sup>17</sup>You might say in your heart, "My ability and the power of

my hand have earned this wealth for me." <sup>18</sup>But then you are to remember that the Lord your God is the one who gives you the ability to produce wealth, to confirm his covenant that he promised to your fathers with an oath, as he does to this day.

### Handbells

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest" Arranged by Cathy Moklebust Published by Choristers Guild

**Lesson** *Philippians 4:10-20* 

<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. <sup>14</sup>Nevertheless, you did well by becoming partners with me in my affliction.

experience with the gospel, when I left Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you alone. <sup>16</sup>Even while I was in Thessalonica, you sent help more than once for my needs. <sup>17</sup>Not that I am seeking a gift, but I am seeking the fruit that adds to your account. <sup>18</sup>I have been paid in full, and I have more than enough. I am fully supplied since I've received from Epaphroditus the things that came from you, a sweet-smelling fragrance, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup>And my God will fully supply your every need, according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup>Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever! Amen.

#### P: This is the Word of our God.

C: Almighty God, heavenly Father, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to know and believe. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we can be strengthened in our faith, guided by your truth, and comforted in life and in death—all through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and rules with you and the Holy Spirit—one God—now and forever. Amen.

**Hymn of the Day** "When All Your Mercies, O My God" *Christian Worship 259* 

When all your mercies, O my God, My waking soul surveys, Transported with the view, I'm lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Ten thousand, thousand precious gifts My daily thanks employ,
Nor is the least a cheerful heart
That tastes these gifts with joy.

Through ev'ry passing phase of life Your goodness I'll pursue And after death, in distant worlds, The glorious theme renew.

Through all eternity to you a joyful song I'll raise, But, oh, eternity's too short to utter all your praise

**Sermon** *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>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."

# "Thanksgiving is Seen in Thanksliving!"

The praise we speak is important The praise we live is precious

## Hymn

"We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer" Christian Worship 609

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.

We worship you, God of our fathers; we bless you. Through trial and tempest our guide you have been; When perils o'ertake us, you will not forsake us, And with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer; To you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise. Your strong arm will guide us; our God is beside us. To you, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise!

Pray, Praise and Give Thanks

## **Prayer for Thanksgiving Day**

P: Heavenly Father, when you open your hand, you satisfy the

desires of every living thing. May your name forever be praised. Today we remember with joy the gifts you provide. Again and again you pour out all that we need for daily living. We thank you especially for the incomparable and priceless spiritual blessings you have given us through your Son. It is true that every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from you, the Father of heavenly lights.

C: Teach us to thank you, Lord, for love and grace, For life and vision, for a purpose clear, For Christ, your Son, and for each human face That shows your message ever new and near.

P: Yet we can be selfish and ungrateful. We complain and worry. We doubt your goodness and rebel against your righteousness. Forgive us in the name of Jesus. Prevent our many blessings from becoming Satan's trap to ensnare us. Keep our minds on things above, rather than on earthly things.

C: Forgive us, Lord, for shallow thankfulness, For dull content with warmth and sheltered care, For songs of praise for worldly wealthiness, While of your richer gifts we're unaware.

P: On this Thanksgiving Day, pour out your Spirit on us. Bless us with faithful hearts that seek first your kingdom and your righteousness. Bless us with thankful hearts that give thanks to you for every good and perfect gift. Be with your people wherever they may be on this holiday. Protect those who are traveling. Cheer the hearts of the lonely. Comfort those who sorrow. Look with compassion on all who are in need. Fill us today and every day with a humble and grateful faith that sincerely prays:

C: Open our eyes to see your love's intent, To know with minds and hearts its depth and height. Let thankful days in loving labor spend Reflect the truly Christ-like life and light. Handbells

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# **Closing Prayer**

P: O gracious heavenly Father, how can we ever find the words to thank you! Everything we need for body and soul has come from you. In love you have even provided the comforting assurance of your never-failing presence and all-encompassing power. Through all of these blessings answer our doubts and fears. Satisfy our needs and urgent requests. Most of all, give us the faith we need to depend on you for everything. Then, through that same faith, lead us to receive every blessing with joy, gratitude and thanksgiving. O Lord, you are the reason our lives are filled with one incredible blessing after another. Accept our thanks and praise—together with your Son and the Holy Spirit—now and throughout all eternity.



### **Benediction**

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace; live in harmony with one another; serve the Lord in 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.



# **Closing Hymn**

"Now Thank We All Our God" Christian Worship 610

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 mother's arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in his grace and guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore!
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

# **Silent Prayer**

#### **Announcements**

**Today**—Welcome to our Thanksgiving Worship! May the blessing of our God and Savior, in addition to his never-failing love, be with you always, and may it lead you to give thanks for everything. If you are visiting us this morning, we kindly ask you to sign our guest book, or a visitor card in the holder on the bench in front of you. Then, visit us again—soon!

Friday—Office hours: 10:30—2:30 pm Saturday—Cleaning: L. Schroeder

• Lawn Beginning November 26th—G. Grunewald

Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>—Worship at 9:30 am. On the last Sunday of the Church Year we proclaim a special, and precious truth—Jesus is King of kings and Lord of lords. He is also our only Savior and faithful Shepherd.

 Christian Education will follow the service and will review the prophecy of Ezekiel who promised the Savior would be the true Shepherd and King.

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## Meditations

The latest copy of the devotional booklet is available on the table in the back of the church, or in the mailbox outside of Pastor's office. Please pick up a copy for yourself, and if you can share one, take that along as well. They begin December 3rd.



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