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Thanksgiving Eve



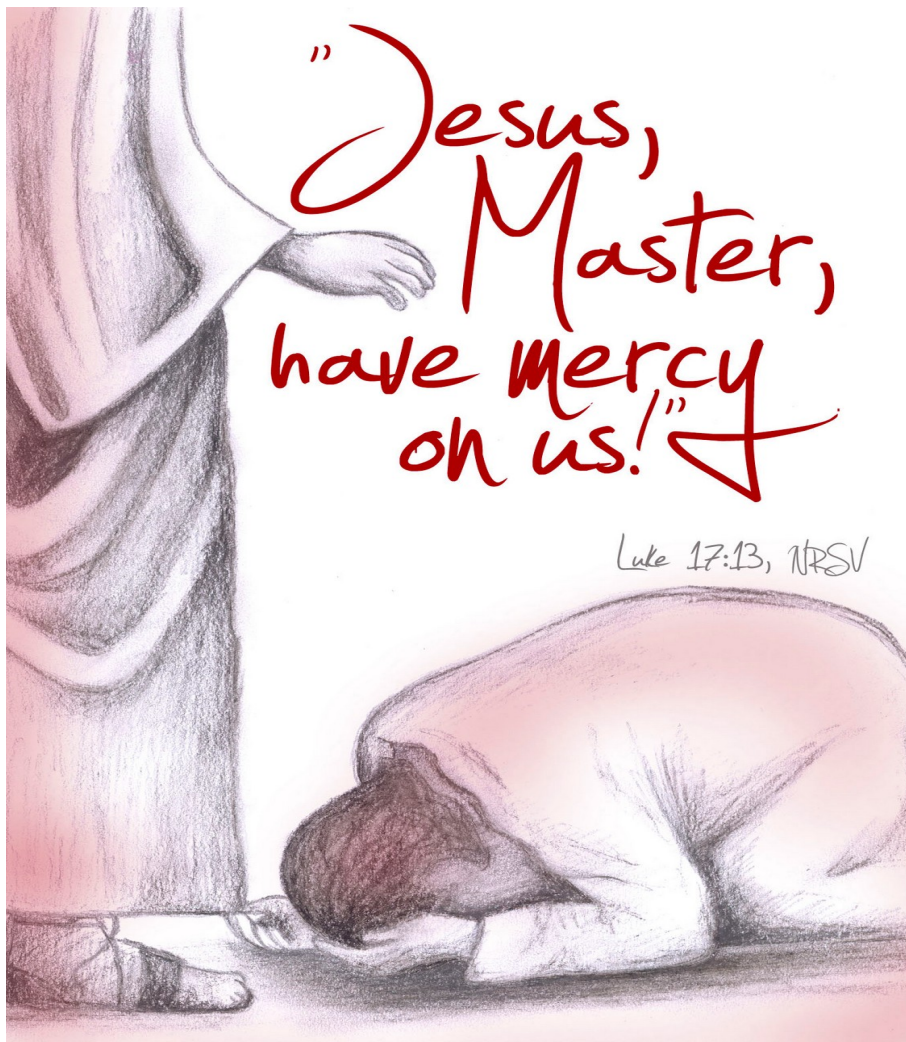
*“We Preach Christ Crucified...”*

- 1 Corinthians 1:23

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*“Jesus,  
Master,  
have mercy  
on us!”*

*Luke 17:13, NRSV*

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## As We Gather

A Day of National Thanksgiving is an honored tradition in this nation. But thankfulness to God is something that transcends national borders and the boundaries of time. God's people are always thankful people, for they know what great things He has done and continues to do for them. In Martin Luther's explanation of the First Article of the Creed, he states that in response to God's great gifts, it is the Christian's "duty to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him." Our worship is one way through which we carry out that joyful duty.

*[Today's hymns are printed on pages 9-13 of the bulletin.]*

### ✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

**Hymn** TLH 44 – Ye Lands, to the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

**Opening Sentences** Psalm 145:3-5; 103:10; 118:14, 16

- P** Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.
- C** **One generation shall commend your works to another.**
- P** On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- C** **Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised.**
- P** Our God is a God who cares.
- C** **He does not deal with us according to our sins.**
- P** The LORD our God is merciful and forgiving.
- C** **The LORD is my strength and my song.**
- P** The right hand of the LORD exalts.
- C** **The right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"**

**Confession and Absolution** Psalm 51:1-4, 9-10

- P** As we begin this time of thanksgiving and praise, let us reflect upon our many sins, confess them to our loving Father in heaven, and ask Him to forgive us for the sake of Jesus our Lord.

**P** O holy and most merciful Father, we confess that our sinful nature has made us unfit to be called Your children. What is more, we have broken Your law repeatedly in our thoughts, words, and actions, doing the evil You forbid and failing to do the good You command. In no way do we deserve to stand before You. We are guilty and deserve only to be condemned, but we appeal to Your never failing mercy and ask You to forgive us for Jesus' sake.

**C** **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

**P** The Lord, our gracious Father, has forgiven all our sins through the death of His one and only Son and with His resurrection from death has made us His children and given us the assurance of everlasting life. Though our sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.

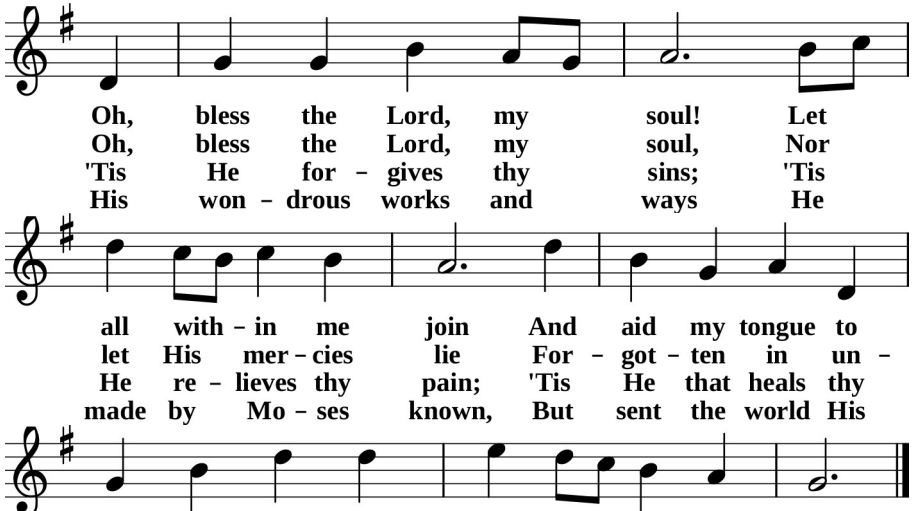
**C** **Amen.**



## ✠ The Service of the Word ✠

### Hymn of Praise

TLH 27 (1-3, 6) – Oh, Bless the Lord, My Soul



Oh, bless the Lord, my soul! Let  
Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, Nor  
'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis  
His won - drous works and ways He

all with - in me join And aid my tongue to  
let His mer - cies lie For - got - ten in un -  
He re - lieves thy pain; 'Tis He that heals thy  
made by Mo - ses known, But sent the world His

bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.  
thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!  
sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.  
truth and grace by His be - lov - ed Son.

### Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

### Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray...  
... for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever.
- C** Amen.

### Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 8:10-18

<sup>10</sup> And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. <sup>11</sup> “Take care lest you forget the LORD your God by not keeping his commandments and his rules and his statutes, which I command you today, <sup>12</sup> lest, when you have eaten and are full and have built good houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks multiply and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is

multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup> who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, <sup>16</sup> who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know, that he might humble you and test you, to do you good in the end. <sup>17</sup> Beware lest you say in your heart, ‘My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.’ <sup>18</sup> You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

## Psalm of the Day

Psalm 100

- P** Make a joyful noise to the LORD,
- C** **all the earth!**
- P** Serve the LORD with gladness!
- C** **Come into his presence with singing!**
- P** Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his;
- C** **we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**
- P** Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!
- C** **Give thanks to him; bless his name!**
- P** For the LORD is good;
- C** **his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

## Epistle Reading

Philippians 4:10-20

<sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through him who strengthens me. <sup>14</sup> Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. <sup>15</sup> 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. <sup>16</sup> Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. <sup>17</sup> Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. <sup>18</sup> 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. <sup>19</sup> And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup> To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Alleluia

**P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are  
writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the  
Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

**Confession of Faith** Explanation of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed from Luther's Small Catechism

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

*What does this mean?*

I believe that God has created me and all creatures. He has given me my body and life, eyes, ears, and all my bodily members, my mind, and all my senses and still keeps them for me.

God also preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, animals, and all my property and all I need to support this body and life. He protects me from all danger. He guards and defends me from every evil.

God does all this because He is my good and gracious Father in heaven, not because of anything I have done to earn or deserve it. For all of this it is my duty to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

**Hymn** TLH 569 (1-3, 8-9) – O Lord, I Sing with Lips and Heart

## Sermon Text

Luke 17:11-19

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



*Sermon*

## But Wait: There's More

### Offertory

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly  
Spir-it from me. Restore to me the joy of Your sal -  
va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

## Hymn

TLH 568 – We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

## Offering Hymn

WS 788 (1)

Lord, You love the cheerful giver  
Who with open heart and hand  
Blesses freely, as a river  
That refreshes all the land.  
Grant us, then, the grace of giving  
With a spirit large and true  
That our life and all our living  
We may consecrate to You.

## General Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

### Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn

WS 792 – Let All Things Now Living

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# TLH 44 – Ye Lands, to the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise

Ps. 100

11. 5. 11. 9.

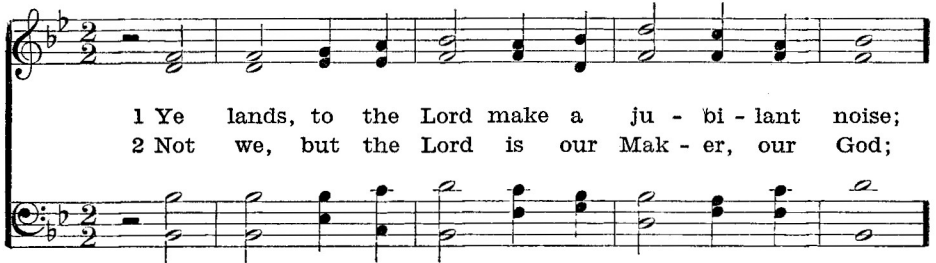
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Ulrik V. Koren, 1874

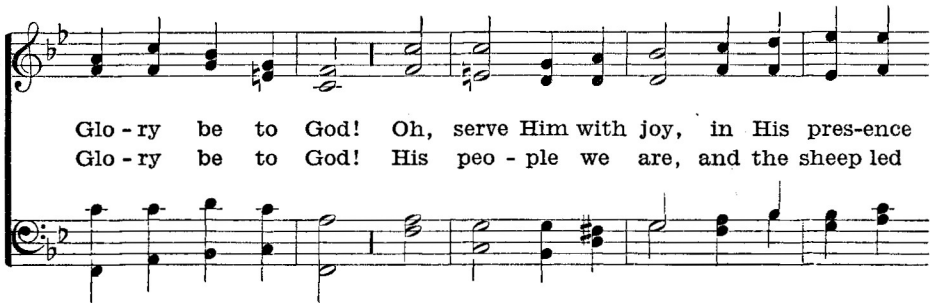
Tr., Harriet R. Spaeth, 1899, alt.

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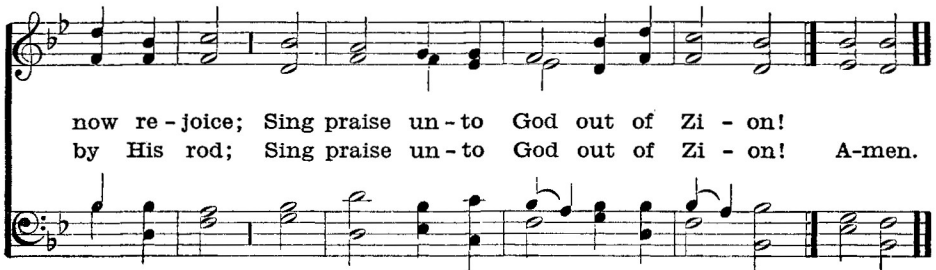
Erik Hoff, c. 1860



1 Ye lands, to the Lord make a ju - bi - lant noise;  
2 Not we, but the Lord is our Mak - er, our God;



Glo - ry be to God! Oh, serve Him with joy, in His pres - ence  
Glo - ry be to God! His peo - ple we are, and the sheep led



now re - joice; Sing praise un - to God out of Zi - on!  
by His rod; Sing praise un - to God out of Zi - on! A - men.

- 3 Oh, enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise;  
Glory be to God!  
To bless Him and thank Him our voices we will raise;  
Sing praise unto God out of Zion!
- 4 For good is the Lord, and His mercy is sure;  
Glory be to God!  
To all generations His truth shall still endure;  
Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

# TLH 569 (1-3, 8-9) – O Lord, I Sing with Lips and Heart

Ps. 92: 1

Ich singe dir mit Herz und Mund

Paul Gerhardt, 1653, cento

Tr., John Kelly, 1867, alt.

C. M.

Ich singe dir

"Harmonischer Liederschatz"

Frankfurt, 1788



1 O Lord, I sing with lips and heart, Joy of my soul, to Thee;  
2 Thou art the Fount of grace, I know, And Spring so full and free  
3 For what have all that live and move Thro' this wide world be - low  
4 Who built the loft - y fir - ma - ment? Who spread th' expanse of blue?



To earth Thy knowl - edge I im - part As it is known to me.  
Whence saving health and goodness flow Each day so boun - teous - ly.  
That does not from Thy bounteous love, O heav' - n - ly Fa - ther, flow?  
By whom are to our pas - tures sent Re - fresh - ing rain and dew? A - men.



8 Thou feedest us from year to year  
And constant dost abide;  
With ready help in time of fear  
Thou standest at our side.

9 Our deepest need dost Thou supply,  
And all that lasts for aye;  
Thou ledest to our home on high  
When hence we pass away.

# TLH 568 – We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

Ps. 26 : 12

12. 11. 12. 11.

Wilt heden nu treden  
Author unknown, 1626  
Tr., Julia B. Cady, 1882

**Kremsier**  
"Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck"  
Haarlem, 1626

1 We praise Thee, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor,  
2 We wor - ship Thee, God of our fa - thers, we bless Thee;  
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer,

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring;  
Thro' life's storm and tem - pest our Guide hast Thou been;  
To Thee, great Je - ho - vah, glad an - thems we raise.

We lay it be - fore Thee, we kneel and a - dore Thee,  
When per - ils o'er - take us, es - cape Thou wilt make us,  
Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is be - side us,

We bless Thy ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.  
And with Thy help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.  
To Thee, our great Re - deem - er, for - e'er be praise. A - men.

## WS 792 – Let All Things Now Living

Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks - giv - ing

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody of quarter and eighth notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

To God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody includes some eighth-note patterns, and the bass staff accompaniment uses block chords and moving lines.

Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,

The third system continues the musical setting. The treble staff melody is primarily quarter notes, and the bass staff accompaniment consists of chords and single notes.

Who still guides us on to the end of our days.

The fourth and final system concludes the piece. The treble staff melody ends with a quarter note, and the bass staff accompaniment provides a final harmonic support.

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Tune: Welsh folk tune

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THE ASH GROVE

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God's ban - ners are o'er us; His light goes be - fore us,

A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,

Till shad - ows have van - ished And dark - ness is ban - ished,

As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.

