



Give Thanks

to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34

Sunday, October 13, 2024

Thanksgiving

Service Theme

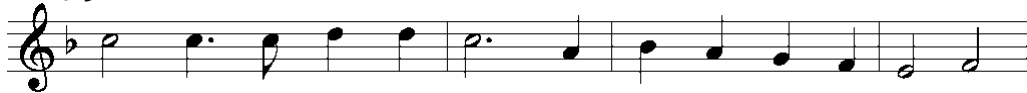
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THANK GOD FOR HIS WORK THROUGH PEOPLE

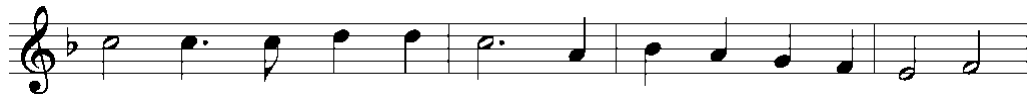
Our lessons for worship not only encourage us to thank the LORD for great miracles of mercy he performs on behalf of humanity, but also for every person he puts in our lives: recognizing and praising God for his gracious providence through them.

597 Now Thank We All Our God

CW 597



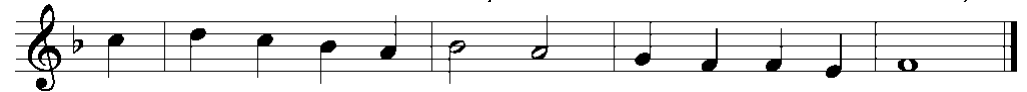
1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,



who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace and guide us when perplexed
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;



with countless gifts of love and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

The Service *Morning Prayer (p.207)*

Stand



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



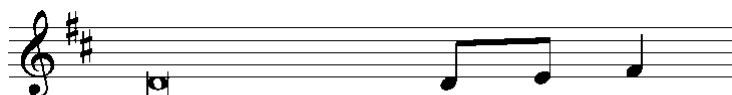
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



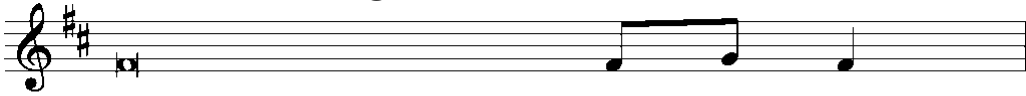
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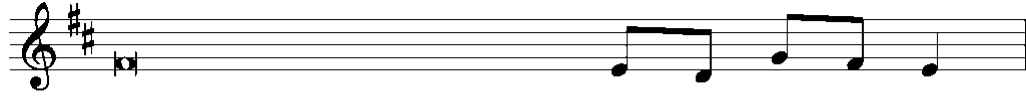
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

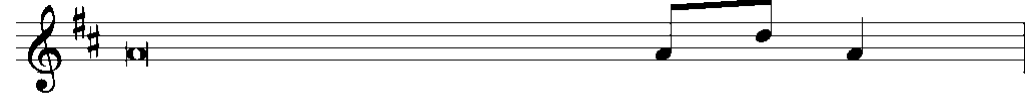
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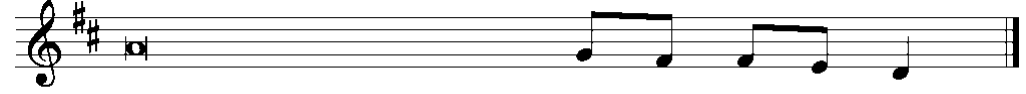
1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is his, for he made it,



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and his hand formed the dry land.



1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For he is our God,



1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of his
pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Be seated

Psalm

Psalm 107

All people are encouraged to thank the LORD for his mercy and wonderful deeds for all people.

**¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.**

**²Let the redeemed of the LORD say this,
those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,**

**³those he gathered from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

⁴They wandered in the wilderness, in the wasteland.
They did not find the way to a city where they could live.

⁵They were hungry and also thirsty,
so their lives were draining away.

⁶Then they cried out to the LORD in their distress.
He delivered them from their troubles.

⁷He led them by a straight way to come to a city where they
could live.

**⁸Let them give thanks to the LORD
for his mercy and his wonderful deeds for all people,
⁹because he satisfies the desire of the thirsty,
and he fills the desire of the hungry with good things.**

¹⁰They were sitting in darkness and the shadow of death,
prisoners, bound in misery and chains,

¹¹because they had rebelled against the words of God,
and they despised the plan of the Most High.

¹²So he broke their hearts with hard labor.
They stumbled, and there was no helper.

¹³Then they cried out to the LORD in their distress.
He saved them from their troubles.

¹⁴He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death,
and he tore off their chains.

**¹⁵Let them give thanks to the LORD
for his mercy and his wonderful deeds for all people,
¹⁶because he shatters bronze doors,
and he cuts through iron bars.**

¹⁷They became fools through their rebellious way,
and they brought affliction on themselves by their guilt.

¹⁸They lost their appetite for food,
so they approached the gates of death.

¹⁹Then they cried out to the LORD in their distress.
He saved them from their troubles.

²⁰He sent his word and healed them.
He rescued them from the pits that trapped them.

**²¹Let them give thanks to the LORD
for his mercy and his wonderful deeds for all people,
²²so let them sacrifice thank offerings
and tell about his works with a joyful shout.**

²³They went down to the sea in ships.
They conducted trade on many waters.

²⁴They saw the deeds of the LORD
and his wonders on the deep.

²⁵For he spoke and stirred up a violent storm,
which produced large waves.

²⁶They were raised up to the sky.
They sank down into the depths.

In their danger their courage melted.

²⁷They reeled and staggered like a drunk.
All their skill disappeared.

²⁸Then they cried out to the LORD in their distress.
He brought them out of their troubles.

²⁹He calmed the storm. Its waves were hushed.

³⁰They were glad when it grew quiet,
and he guided them to the port they desired.

**³¹Let them give thanks to the LORD
for his mercy and his wonderful deeds for all people.**

**³²Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people
and praise him in the session of the elders.**

³³He turned rivers into a wilderness
and flowing springs into thirsty ground.

³⁴He turns fruitful land into a salt waste,
because of the wickedness of those who lived in it.

**³⁵He turned the wilderness into pools of water
and the desert into flowing springs.**

**³⁶Then he let the hungry live there,
and they founded a city where they could live.**

**³⁷Then they sowed fields, and they planted vineyards,
which produced abundant fruit.**

**³⁸Then he blessed them, so they increased greatly in
number.**

He did not let their herds of cattle decrease.

³⁹But then their numbers decreased,
and they were humbled by oppression, disaster, and sorrow.

⁴⁰He who pours contempt on nobles made them wander in
confusion where there was no road.

**⁴¹But he lifted up the needy out of affliction
and made their families like a flock.**

**⁴²The upright see and rejoice,
but all wickedness shuts its mouth.**

⁴³Whoever is wise, let him keep these things.

Let them take to heart the mercies of the LORD.

Prayer

Almighty God, your mercies are new every morning, and you graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience all our days; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

602 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

CW 602

Played and sung by Mike and Cyndi Pfothenauer

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be. (*Refrain*)

Ref Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (*Refrain*)

- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (*Refrain*)

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Gospel

Luke 7:36–50

*Those who realize they have been forgiven much,
show much gratitude.*

³⁶A certain one of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him. Jesus entered the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. ³⁷Just then a sinful woman from that town learned that he was reclining in the Pharisee's house. She brought an alabaster jar of perfume, ³⁸stood behind him near his feet weeping, and began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she began to wipe them with her hair while also kissing his feet and anointing them with the perfume.

³⁹When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would realize who is touching him and what kind of woman she is, because she is a sinner.”

⁴⁰Jesus answered him, “Simon, I have something to tell you.”

He said, “Teacher, say it.”

⁴¹“A certain moneylender had two debtors. The one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he forgave them both. So, which of them will love him more?”

⁴³Simon answered, “I suppose the one who had the larger debt forgiven.”

Then he told him, “You have judged correctly.” ⁴⁴Turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I entered your house, but you did not give me water for my feet. Yet she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵You did not give me a kiss, but she, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with perfume. ⁴⁷Therefore I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; that is why she loved so much. But the one who is forgiven little loves little.” ⁴⁸Then Jesus said to her, “Your sins have been forgiven.”

⁴⁹Those reclining at the table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?”

⁵⁰He said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

735 Before You I Kneel

CW 735



1 Be - fore you I kneel, my Mas - ter and Mak - er, to of - fer the
 2 Be - fore you I kneel and ask for your good - ness to cov - er the
 3 Be - fore you we kneel, our Mas - ter and Mak - er; es - tab - lish the



work of my hands. For this is the day you've giv - en your
 work of my hands, for pa - tience and peace to shape all my
 work of our hands, and or - der our steps to seek first your



ser - vant; I will re - joice and be glad
 la - bor; your grace for thorns in my path.
 king - dom in ev - 'ry small and great task.



for the strength I have to live and breathe, for each
 Flow with - in me like a liv - ing stream; wear a -
 May we live the gos - pel of your grace, serve your



skill your grace has giv - en me, for the needs and op - por -
 way the stones of pride and greed, till your ways are dwell - ing
 pur - pose in our fleet - ing days, then our lives will bring e -



tu - ni - ties that will glo - ri - fy your great name.
 deep in me and a har - vest of life is grown.
 ter - nal praise and all glo - ry to your great name.

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Sermon Text

1 Timothy 2:1–6

¹First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all those who are in authority, in order that we might live a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is good and pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who wants all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time.

Sermon Theme

Thank the LORD for the People He puts in your Life.

- 1) He provides for your daily needs through them
- 2) He gives you the opportunity to tell them about Jesus.

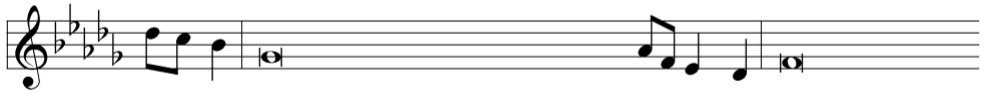
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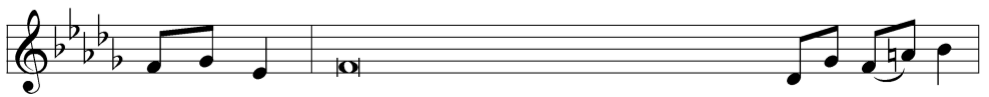
and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide. You, Christ, are the King of



glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther. When you became man to



set us free, you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin. You overcame the



sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.



You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Fa - ther.



We believe that you will come to be our judge.



Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple, bought with the price of



your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

Offering Prayer

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 213



Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and answer me.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Prayer

With all our hearts and with all our minds, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the leaders of our synod and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our prime minister, for the leaders of our nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For reasonable weather and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth that God has given us and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, in the air, or orbit the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.

Lord, have mercy.

O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

We praise you for every grace and blessing.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

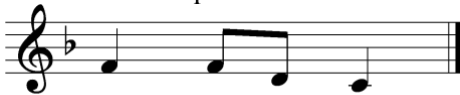
**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

507 Let All Things Now Living

CW 507



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 His law he en - forc - es; the stars in their cours - es and



God the Cre - a - tor tri - um-phant-ly raise, who fash - ioned and
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient-ly shine. The hills and the



made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who still guides us
moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the deeps of the



on to the end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us; his
o - cean pro - claim him di - vine. We, too, should be voic - ing our



light goes be - fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the
love and re - joic - ing. With glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us



night, till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is
raise till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks -



ban - ished, as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
giv - ing: "To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

- Su (13) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Class**
10:30 am Thanksgiving Worship
11:30 am Coffee Hour
- Tu (15) 6:00 pm Elders Meeting (*tentative*)
7:00 pm Council Meeting (*tentative*)
- We (16) 6:00 pm Communicating Christ (BIC)
5:30 pm "Test the Spirits" (BIC)
- Th (17) 10:30 am Devotion at Longfield Nursing Home
6:00 pm Illumine (at St. Paul's)
6:30 pm Youth Confirmation (W)
- Fr (18) 3:00 pm Online Women's Bible Study: Romans
4:30 pm Confirmation (D)
- Su (20) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Class**
10:30 am Worship (with Communion)
11:30 am Coffee Hour
12:00 pm Evangelism Meeting
3:00 pm **Worship in Poltimore**
- Pastor will be at a conference from October 21 – 23.
If you need to call him during this time, please use his
US number (512) 887-8982*
- Th (24) 6:00 pm Illumine (at St. Paul's)
6:30 pm Youth Confirmation (W)
- Fr (25) 3:00 pm Online Women's Bible Study: Romans
4:30 pm Confirmation (D)
6:00 pm Friday Fellowship
- Su (27) 9:00 am Sunday School / Bible Class**
10:30 am Thanksgiving Worship
11:30 am Anniversary/ Reformation Potluck

Announcements

Church Cleaners

October 20 – John // October 27 – Thomas

Anniversary/ Reformation Potluck

We are planning our annual Anniversary/ Reformation Potluck for after worship on October 27. This will replace November's First Sunday Fellowship dinner.

Acknowledgments

Morning Prayer from Christian Worship

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WELS Christian Aid and Relief

**I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds (Psalm 9:1).**

We have much to be thankful for – an embarrassment of riches! God created us and continues to provide for us, showering us with an abundance of good things. He sent his Son to redeem us by shedding his blood on the cross to pay for our sins. He called us to faith and sustains us in the faith through Word and sacrament. What wonderful things God has done for us! One way to thank God for his wonderful deeds of love is by imitating his love and compassion as we care for people in need. This is something we do in our own personal lives. This is something we do together through the ministry of **WELS Christian Aid and Relief**. We carry out a ministry of compassion in four main ways, which are detailed below. Your special gifts help us minister to hurting people all around the world and lead to many opportunities to share the good news of God's love in Christ. Thank you for helping us show compassion to people in need!

Grant Summary—fiscal year 23-24

Disaster Relief: \$273,090 was utilized for disaster relief. We assisted with flood relief in India and Kenya, helped rebuild several churches in Malawi destroyed by a cyclone, and helped to provide Christian counseling to those impacted by a wildfire on the San Carlos Reservation in Arizona.

Humanitarian Aid: \$581,000 was utilized for humanitarian aid projects in partnership with WELS Home and World Missions. This aid includes food for the hungry, water for the thirsty, medical care for the sick and dying, vocational training, and many other vital resources and services for people in need.

Community Care and Compassion: \$52,355 was granted to WELS self-supporting congregations in the form of matching grants to assist them with compassion ministry projects in their communities such as food pantries, school supply giveaways, and support for pregnancy counseling centers.

Personal Relief Grants: \$359,343 was utilized for personal relief grants given through our congregations to assist brothers and sisters experiencing a medical or financial crisis.

Total: God enabled us to use **\$1,265,788** of your gifts to show compassion to people in need! To him alone be all the glory!

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