

for the week beginning November 15, 2020



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where all can experience
meaningful relationship with God,
grow in Christ, and
reach out in love to others;
a community where
all can love and be loved
and be accepted
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our gathering

Call to Worship

adapted from "Call to Worship for Thanksgiving" by Christine Longhurst, posted at https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/09/call-to-worship-for-thanksgiving.html.

Grace and peace to you from God our Father,

who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing

that comes from heaven (Eph1):

who knew you and chose you

before the world began (1 Pet 1, Eph 1);

who loves you so much that he calls you his own children (1 Jn 3);

who has brought you from darkness into light

and filled you with his glorious power (Col 1);

who has prepared an inheritance for you that will never spoil or fade (1 Pet 1);

who encourages and strengthens you in every good deed and word (2 Thess 2);

who comforts you in your troubles

so that you can comfort others (2 Cor 1);

This is our God

the ultimate source of all things;

and the One for whom we live (1 Cor 8).

Let's worship our God together!

"Now Thank We All Our God"

No. 102, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

1.

Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is our today.

2.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed; and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.

3.

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 heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

our reading & reflection

Psalm 107:1-2a & Psalm 150

Common English Bible

I Give Thanks

Noah Smith

"All Life is Filled with Wonder"

Words by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
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1.

All of life is filled with wonder so we thank you, God of love— For the crash of evening thunder, clearing clouds, then stars above; For the night that turns to glowing as we feel the morning mist, God, we praise and thank you, knowing every day we're truly blessed.

2.

For the joy of daily waking, for the gift of each new day, For the smell of fresh bread baking, for the sound of children's play, For the ways we seek to serve you as we work and volunteer, God we humbly praise and thank you for your presence with us here.

3.

For the ways we're blessed with plenty—
love and laughter, neighbors, friends,
Nature's wonders, seasons' bounty, life in you that never ends,
For the ones who've gone before us, giving witness to your way—
We rejoice in all you give us every moment, every day.

4.

For your love in times of trouble, for your peace when things are tough, For your help when hardships double, for your grace that is enough, For a stranger's gentle kindness, for a doctor's healing skill—God, we thank you that you bless, and you bless your world as well.

5.

For the baby in the manger, for the cross and empty tomb,

For each time a searching stranger finds at church a welcome home,

For your kingdom's great surprises—

poor ones lifted, lost ones found—

God we thank you! Hope still rises, for your gifts of grace abound.

our thanks & prayers Giving Thanks

One The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God. [...] Your blessings overflow, help us to recognize and name them now:

You are invited to name things you are thankful for. Feel free to share with everyone verbally. You may also type your thanks in the chat.

"Thank You, Lord"

No. 84, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)
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Thank you, Lord.
Thank you, Lord.
Thank you, Lord.
I just want to thank you Lord.

Praying Together

You are invited to add your specific prayers silently, in the chat, or verbally following the prompts below.

Together let us pray for our world.

Together let us pray for our community and neighborhoods.

Together let us pray for our friends and family.

Together let us pray for ourselves.

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

No. 895, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

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.

Amen.

"O God Beyond All Praising"

No. 2009, *The Faith We Sing* (2001)
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1.

O God, beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your Word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

2.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our king; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:

To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

our sending Sending Forth

Amen

No. 2072 (Refrain ONLY), The Faith We Sing (2001)

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your thoughts & notes

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LIFE TOGETHER

You are invited to gather (virtually) for a time of devotion, discussion, and checking-in with others this **Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30pm**. This informal gathering lasts between 30-45 minutes. You can join this virtual gathering by going to

meet.google.com/txp-ndfa-ivu

or by calling

1-440-467-1448

the PIN is 220 679 745#

Can't meet virtually/in-person at those times?

Consider participating asynchronously by using the "Taking Faith Home" faith formation resource for your personal and family devotions. If you'd like to setup a small group at a time other than Tuesday or Thursday at 7:30pm, please contact Pastor Jacob (jacob@franklinumc.org).