

Thanksgiving Sunday Service

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 22, 2020 10:30 a.m.



Watch our Chapel Service on CHANNEL 102

Order of Worship

The Bells of Taizé

Taizé
Music of Unity & Peace

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

TFBF 292

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, *I am strong*,
Let the poor say, *I am rich*,
Because of what the Lord
Has done for us.

And now let the weak say, *I am strong*,
Let the poor say, *I am rich*,
Because of what the Lord
Has done for us.

Give thanks!

Text: Henry Smith; **Music:** Henry Smith. © 1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music

Words of Welcome

Pr. Kristine

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer
Christiana Adams

Let us give thanks with a grateful heart to God for all the gifts so freely bestowed upon us, responding: **We thank you, Lord.**

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and time to rest and worship,

We thank you, Lord.

For all who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all who earnestly seek after truth, and all who labor for justice,

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is good and gracious in the lives of men, women, and children revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

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For all the workers steadfast in their many roles to serve and to supply food and other necessities throughout our country and the world,

We thank you, Lord.

For all who help and heal in our NRC community, in all of Northfield, and in the world around us and beyond us,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank you, Lord.

For the lives and friendship of the NRC and Northfield communities and especially our family and friends who are gone from our sight. We name them now aloud and in our hearts:

*Evelyn Jones
Jim Dimmick
Maria Tortorellis
Grace Erickson
Jill Titus
Joan Culbreth
Vongsavanh Boutsavath
Marilyn Martin
Barbara Clark
Andrew Een
Duane Olson
Geraldine Drewry. . .*

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

**To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father,
and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

O, For a Thousand Tongues To Sing

LBW 559

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer's praise,
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,
 Assist me to proclaim,
 To spread through all the earth abroad
 The honors of your name.

The name of Jesus charms our fears
 And bids our sorrows cease,
 Sings music in the sinner's ears,
 Brings life and health and peace.

To God all glory, praise, and love
 Be now and ever giv'n;
 By saints below and saints above,
 The Church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, alt.; **Music:** Carl G. Gläser

Psalm 65:1-4

Reader I

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows
 be performed,

O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive
 our transgressions.

Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in
 your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your
 house, your holy temple.

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Psalm 65:5-8

Reader II

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.

You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

Psalm 65:9-13

Readers I and II

You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,

the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be sung and spoken.

Prayer of the Day

Most gracious God, according to your wisdom the deep waters are opened up and clouds drop gentle moisture. We praise you for the return of planting and harvest seasons, for the fertility of the soil, for the harvesting of the crops, and for all other blessings which you in your generosity pour on this nation and people. Give us a full understanding of your mercy, and lives which will be respectful, holy, and obedient to you throughout all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Words of Thanksgiving and Praise

Pr. Kristine

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW 733

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 has been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

**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.**

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:

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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:**

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm; **Music:** William M. Runyan. **Text and music** © 1923, ren. 1951 Hope Publishing Company

Offering/Offertory *For the Fruit of All Creation* ELW 679

For the fruit of all creation,
 Thanks be to God.
 For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
 Thanks be to God.
 For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
 Silent growth while we are sleeping,
 Future needs in earth's safekeeping,
 Thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor,
 God's will is done.
 In the help we give our neighbor,
 God's will is done.
 In our world-wide task of caring
 For the hungry and despairing,
 In the harvests we are sharing,
 God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,
 Thanks be to God.
 For the good we all inherit,
 Thanks be to God.

For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us,
Thanks be to God.

Text: F. Pratt Green; **Music:** Welsh tradition; arr. hymnal version. Text © 1970 Hope Publishing Company;
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Around the Table

Christiana Adams

Instruction Concerning the Lord's Supper



HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Come to the banquet table
Where Christ gives himself as food and drink.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

The Meal

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

UMH 624

Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
 Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
 By whom the words of life were spoken
 And in hose death our sins are dead:

Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
 Look on the tears by sinners shed;
 And be thy feast to us the token
 That by thy grace our souls are fed.

Text: Reginald Heber; **Music:** John Sebastian Bach Hodges

Post-Communion Prayer

O Lord, giver of all that is true and lovely and gracious:
 We give you thanks for binding us together in this holy feast.
 Grant that by your Holy Spirit we may become one in heart
 and soul, live in fidelity and peace, and receive those eternal
 joys prepared for all whom you love; for the sake of Jesus
 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW 836

Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love!
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
 Praising thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
 Drive the gloom of doubt away.
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
 Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
 Stars and angels sing around thee,
 Center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain,
 Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
 Chanting bird, and flowing fountain
 Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
 Ever blessing, ever blest,
 Well-spring of the joy of living,
 Ocean-depth of happy rest!
 Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
 All who live in love are thine;
 Teach us how to love each other,
 Lift us to the joy divine!

Text: Henry van Dyke; **Music:** Ludwig van Beethoven, adapt.

Announcements

Words of Blessing

Phyllis Cole-Dai

On Our Way Rejoicing

ELW 537

On our way rejoicing gladly let us go.
 Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe.
 Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy;
 Who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

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Refrain:


**On our way rejoicing;
As we forward move,
Hearken to our praises,
O blest God of love!**

Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing;
Unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring;
Unto God the Spirit bow we and adore,
On our way rejoicing now and evermore.

Refrain:

Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God* Marilyn Jacobson





**On Thanksgiving Eve,
Wednesday, November 25, at
3:30 PM in the
NRC Chapel, there will be a
Thanksgiving display on the
Chapel altar and Thanksgiving
music.**

**Please turn on Channel 105 and
look and listen!
(The altar display also will be
accessible for viewing on
Thanksgiving Day.)**



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