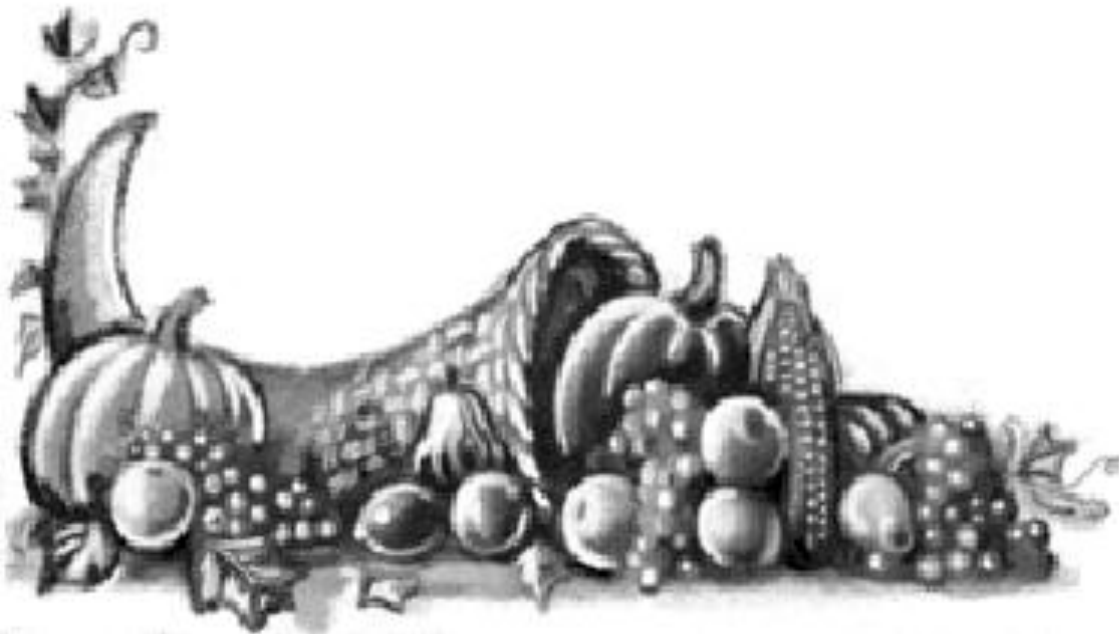


Twenty-sixth Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

**St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church
Ghana Lucien Memorial United Methodist Church
Kings Park Jewish Center
Abiding Presence Lutheran Church**

**November 24, 2025
7:30pm**



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Prelude

“Joyful Prelude”

Phil Lehenbauer

Welcome and Invocation

Hymn 693

“Come Ye Thankful People Come”

Litany of Confession

Leader: Let us ask God’s forgiveness. Almighty God: you alone are good and holy. We admit to you our short-comings, in the confidence of your mercy. We do not ask you to keep us safe, but to keep us loyal, so that we may follow your commandments.

Right: From lack of reverence for truth and beauty; from a calculating or a sentimental mind; from going along with mean and ugly things; O God, deliver us.

Left: From cowardice that dares not face the truth; laziness content with half-truth; or arrogance that thinks it knows it all; O God, deliver us.

Right: From artificial life and worship; from all that is hollow or insincere; O God, deliver us.

Left: From being pompous or rude; from putting down neighbors; O God, deliver us.

Right: From cynicism about our brothers and sisters; from intolerance or cruel indifference; O God, deliver us.

Left: From being satisfied with things as they are, among ourselves or in the world; from failing to share your indignation; O God, deliver us.

Right: From selfishness, self-indulgence, or self-pity; O God, deliver us.

Left: From token concern for the poor, for lonely or loveless people; from confusing faith with good feeling, or love with wanting to be loved; O God, deliver us.

All: For everything in us that may hide your light;
O God, life of life, deliver us. Amen.

Hymn 694

“Sing to the Lord of the Harvest”

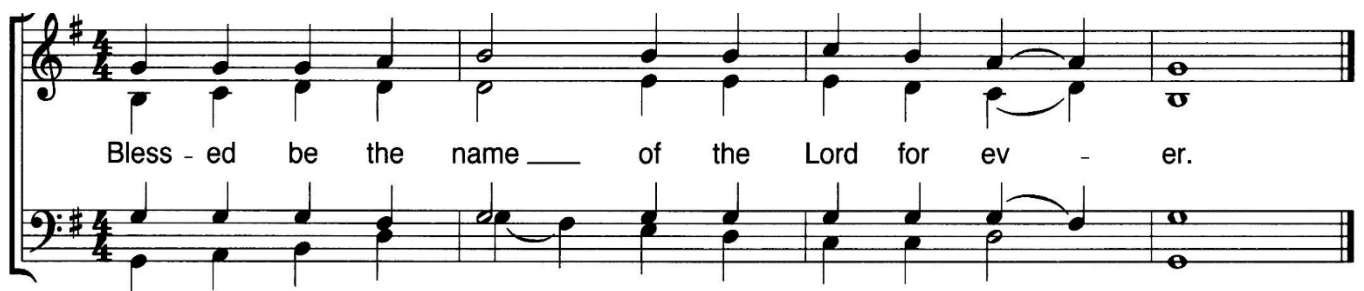
First Lesson

Isaiah 12:1-4, 6

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

You will say in that day: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me. Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord GOD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 113: 1-8



Second Lesson

Philippians 4:4-9

A Reading from the Letter to the Philippians

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Thanksgiving Messages

Rev. Monson Varghese, Cantor Dr. Phil Horowitz

Hymn 689

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

Offering

You are invited to participate in the Free-Will Offering that is being collected. The total amount will be divided among our churches for direct assistance at our respective Food Pantries.

The Combined Choirs of:

St. Joseph’s Roman Catholic Church (Ms. Deanna Muro, Director)

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church (Dr. Thomas Zatorski, Director)

Prayers of Intercession (response: “Lord, hear our prayer”)

That God may strengthen the unanimity of people of faith.

Let us pray to the Lord.

That God may grant wisdom to the elected leaders of our country and guide them to foster peace throughout the world.

Let us pray to the Lord.

That the leaders of the world may work in harmony for the good of all.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For the victims of terrorism and natural disasters that they may be able to rebuild their lives.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For our men and women serving in the armed forces that they may be protected from harm and guided in the way of justice.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For the senior members of our community that they may see God’s will fulfilled.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For the young that they may be strengthened by God to see visions and dream dreams.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For those who mourn that they may be comforted and find God’s peace.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For all those who labor for peace and justice.
Let us pray to the Lord.

For the faithful departed that they find heavenly rest from their labors.
Let us pray to the Lord

The Lord's Prayer and Benediction

Hymn 679 ***“For the Fruit of All Creation”***

Postlude ***“Grand Triumphal March”*** Alexandre Guilmant,
arr. Williams

*You are welcome to stay and join us for light refreshments
and baked goods in fellowship hall following the service.*

***If you would like contact information for the council members listed below,
please call the church office at 631-269-6454.***

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