

Worship – November 24, 2022 (Thanksgiving)

Prelude

God Gathers His People

Welcome

*God Greet Us

*We Greet Each Other

*Call to Worship – Choir: Come Let Us Sing

*Opening Songs – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (PsH #253 v. 1-2, 4)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Come, all who hear; brothers and sisters, draw near,
join me in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is
wondrously reigning,

sheltering you under his wings, oh, so gently
sustaining.

Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore
him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises
before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, *alt.* Tune: *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Stralsund, 1665; desc. Craig S. Lang
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Now Thank We All Our God (PsH #454 v. 1, 3)

Now Thank We All Our God

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

3 All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son and Spirit blest,
who reign in highest heaven
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Text: Martin Rinkart, 1636; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, *alt.*
Tune: Johann Crüger, 1647; *harm.* Based on Felix Mendelssohn's *Lobgesang*, Opus 52, 1840

We Give Thanks for God's Presence

Expressions of Thankfulness

*Sing *In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful* (LUYH #357) between each category

In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful;
in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;
lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

Words: English based on Philippians 4:4-6, Spanish and Portuguese based on Psalm 118:14, The

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We Give Thanks for God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

Bible Reading – **Exodus 15:1-21**

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:

"I will sing to the LORD,
for he is highly exalted.
Both horse and driver
he has hurled into the sea.
² "The LORD is my strength and my defense^[a];
he has become my salvation.
He is my God, and I will praise him,
my father's God, and I will exalt him.
³ The LORD is a warrior;
the LORD is his name.
⁴ Pharaoh's chariots and his army
he has hurled into the sea.
The best of Pharaoh's officers
are drowned in the Red Sea.^[b]
⁵ The deep waters have covered them;
they sank to the depths like a stone.
⁶ Your right hand, LORD,
was majestic in power.
Your right hand, LORD,
shattered the enemy.
⁷ "In the greatness of your majesty
you threw down those who opposed you.
You unleashed your burning anger;
it consumed them like stubble.
⁸ By the blast of your nostrils
the waters piled up.
The surging waters stood up like a wall;
the deep waters congealed in the heart of the
sea.
⁹ The enemy boasted,
'I will pursue, I will overtake them.
I will divide the spoils;

I will gorge myself on them.
I will draw my sword
and my hand will destroy them.'
¹⁰ But you blew with your breath,
and the sea covered them.
They sank like lead
in the mighty waters.
¹¹ Who among the gods
is like you, LORD?
Who is like you—
majestic in holiness,
awesome in glory,
working wonders?
¹² "You stretch out your right hand,
and the earth swallows your enemies.
¹³ In your unfailing love you will lead
the people you have redeemed.
In your strength you will guide them
to your holy dwelling.
¹⁴ The nations will hear and tremble;
anguish will grip the people of Philistia.
¹⁵ The chiefs of Edom will be terrified,
the leaders of Moab will be seized with
trembling,
the people^[c] of Canaan will melt away;
¹⁶ terror and dread will fall on them.
By the power of your arm
they will be as still as a stone—
until your people pass by, LORD,
until the people you bought^[d] pass by.
¹⁷ You will bring them in and plant them
on the mountain of your inheritance—

the place, LORD, you made for your dwelling,
the sanctuary, Lord, your hands established.

¹⁸ “The LORD reigns
for ever and ever.”

¹⁹ When Pharaoh’s horses, chariots and horsemen^[e] went into the sea, the LORD brought the waters of the sea back over them, but the Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground. ²⁰ Then Miriam the prophet, Aaron’s sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women followed her, with timbrels and dancing. ²¹ Miriam sang to them:

“Sing to the LORD,
for he is highly exalted.
Both horse and driver
he has hurled into the sea.”

Message: ***The First Song of Thanksgiving***

Prayer

We Give Thanks and Pray for God’s World

*Song of Response – My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who bore my pain
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
And gave me life again
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
And clothed me with His light
And wrote His law of righteousness
With pow'r upon my heart

Whose every promise is enough
For every step I take
Sustaining me with arms of love
And crowning me with grace

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who walks beside
Who floods my weaknesses with strength
And causes fears to fly

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who reigns above
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace
Whose every thought is love
For every day I have on earth
Is given by the King
So I will give my life my all
To love and follow Him

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Announcements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering – Envelopes; All undesignated offerings will be given to the Tinley Park Food Pantry

Bringing food offering forward

We Praise You, O God (PsH #237)

We Praise You, O God

1 We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

When perils o'ertake us, you never forsake us.
And with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.

2 We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers;
through life's storm and tempest our guide you
have been.

3 With voices united our praises we offer;
our songs of thanksgiving to you we now raise.
Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us.
To you, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1902, *alt.* Tune: A. Valerius, *Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

God Sends Us Out to Live Lives of Gratitude

*Blessing

*Sending Song – Let All Things Now Living (PsH #453)

Let All Things Now Living

1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed
us,
who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished and darkness is
banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

2 His law he enforces; the stars in their courses
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and
fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

Text: Katherine K. David, 1939

Tune: Welsch; desc. Katherine K. Davis

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