Welcome to Thanksgiving Eve

November 25, 2026



WE GATHER

The order of worship is set out in this bulletin. Words are projected on the screen.
Unless noted otherwise, the page and hymn numbers are listed for the Red ELW Hymnal.
● Participation Guide: P = Pastor, L = Worship Leader, **C** = **Congregation**

Prelude *Variations on Kremser* Michael Graham
Nicholas Davis, organ

Welcome / Announcements

Confession and (Land) Acknowledgment

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates all things, redeems all creation, and sustains life with breath and mercy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Gathered in God's presence, we confess that sin is not only personal, but collective and systemic. We have fallen short of God's vision for justice, reconciliation, and care for creation.

We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional and ancestral homeland of Indigenous peoples, including the Kaskaskia, Myaamia, Siou, Potawatomi, Kickapoo, Peoria. They have stewarded this land for generations with reverence and wisdom.

We confess that this land was taken through colonization, forced removal, broken treaties, and silence. We have benefited from this injustice.

Forgive us, O God, for the ways we have ignored the histories that shape our present, for the ways we have failed to honor Indigenous peoples and their sovereignty, and for the harm caused by our complicity in systems of oppression.

Merciful God,

C: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.
Amen.

P: You belong to Christ Jesus, and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Amen.

Gathering Song *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ELW 693

1 Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

2 All the world is God's own field, fruit unto with praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take the harvest home;
from God's field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
give the angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store in God's garner evermore.

4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home.
Gather then thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified, in thy garner to abide.
Come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home!

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, atl.
Music: George J. Elvey, 1816-1893.

Invocation

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.

Kyrie ELW p. 138

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord
C: Lord, have mercy
L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy
L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy
L: For this holy house, and for all who offer her their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy
L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy

Canticle of Praise *This is the Feast* ELW p. 140

Refrain This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. (refrain)

2 Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his. (refrain)

3 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (refrain)

4 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (refrain)

Prayer of the Day (salutation)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Almighty God, our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit, lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen..

THE WORD

First Reading Deuteronomy 8:7-18

7 "The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with
springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, 8 a land of wheat and barley, of
vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey, 9 a land where you may
eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from
whose hills you may mine copper. 10 You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the
good land that he has given you.
11 "Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God by failing to keep his
commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes that I am commanding you today. 12 When
you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them 13 and when your herds
and flocks have multiplied and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is
multiplied, 14 then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of
the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, 15 who led you through the great and terrible
wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for
you from flint rock. 16 He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not
know, to humble you and to test you and in the end to do you good. 17 Do not say to yourself,
'My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.' 18 But remember the
Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his
covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today."

L: The word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia* ELW p. 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

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The Holy Gospel Luke 17:11-19

P: The gospel according to Luke.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and
Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their
distance, 13 they called out12, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” 14 When he saw
them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they
were made clean. 15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back,
praising God with a loud voice. 16 He prostrated himself at Jesus’s feet and thanked him.
And he was a Samaritan. 17 Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? So where are
the other nine? 18 Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” 19 Then
he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

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Message Pastor Brian Wise

Hymn of the Day Now Thank We All Our God ELW 840

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 blest us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

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

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

"Now Thank We All Our God" Text Martin Rinkart, d. 1649; tr., Catherine
Winkworth, d. 1878 Music: Johann Cruger, d. 1662.

Apostles’ Creed

L: Please join me in professing our faith with the words of the Apostles’ Creed.
C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell. On the third day, He rose again;

**He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

L: God, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

L: May the peace of Christ be with you always!
C: And also with you.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offering Invitation

Music Offering *Count Your Blessings* arr. Shelton Ridge Love
Nicholas Davis, piano

Offertory *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* ELW 182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather the harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be filled with the bread of life
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

"Let the Vineyards be Fruitful" Richard W. Hillert, © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, admin Augsburg Fortress.

Offering Prayer

THE MEAL

Great Thanksgiving (responsively) ELW p. 144

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All sing *Holy, holy, holy Lord* *setting 3,* ELW p. 144

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

All are invited to come forward to receive the holy gifts. Those not receiving may come forward for a blessing. Please let an usher know if you need to receive communion at your seat.

Distribution *Lamb of God* ELW p. 146

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

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Communion Song *Praise and Thanksgiving* ELW 689

1 Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer
for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

2 God, bless the labor we bring to serve you,
that with our neighbor we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, we would work with you,
harvesting, milling for daily bread.

3 Father, providing food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
one with another, so that, rejoicing
with us, all others may know your care.

4 Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people,
freely confessing your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger;
your love sustaining showers the land.

"Praise and Thanksgiving" Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984, alt.; Music: Gaelic tune; arr. Hymnal version.
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Prayer after Communion

WE ARE SENT

Blessing

Sending Song *Let All Things Now Living* ELW 881

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 still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, God's 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 God rules all the forces: 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 God 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!"

"Let All Things Now Living" Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892-1980, alt. Music: Welsh folk tune. Text © 1939, 1966 E. C. Schirmer Music Co.

Dismissal

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. We will!

Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God* arr. Diane Bish
Nicholas Davis, organ

"Now Thank We All Our God" arr. Diane Bish ©1980 Gentry Publications

Thank you to all who gave of their time
to plan, serve, and participate in today's worship.

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Worship Service Opportunities

- Our Saviour's Campus, Traditional Worship, Saturday, 5:00 pm Sunday, 9:00 am
  Blended Sunday, 11:00 am
- Celebration Campus, Contemporary Sunday, 10:00 am

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Upcoming Events

Information for groups and events, as well as registration links, can be found on the News & Events page of our website: https://oursaviours.com/news-events

- **Help Decorate for Advent and Christmas:** Saturday, November 28, 9:00 am, OS Campus, and Sunday, Nov. 29, after the 10 am worship, Celebration Campus. Just show up.
- **Chicago Gargoyle Brass and Organ Ensemble Concert:** Sunday, November 29, 2:30-4:00 pm, Our Saviour's Campus. Enjoy this free concert featuring a leading Midwest brass and organ ensemble known for adventurous programming, major commissions, and acclaimed recordings.
- **Poinsettia Plants Pre-sale:** Nov 28th-Dec 20. Help decorate both campuses for Christmas, and take a plant home with you after worship.
- **Christmas Cantata**: Sunday, Dec. 6, 2:30 pm in the OS Sanctuary. *The Promise Fulfilled* - the story of Jesus' birth through music performed by OSLC ensembles and orchestra. This concert is free and open to the public.
- **Christmas in Harmony Concert:** Saturday, December 12, 7:00 pm, and Sunday, December 13, 3:00 pm, OS Sanctuary. Enjoy the sounds of the season as the Northern Illinois Harmony Alliance brings together 50 voices from six Chicago-area choruses. Tickets $15 to $20 will also be available for purchase in the Narthex following 9:00 am worship on December 6, from 10:00-10:30 am, and at the door on concert days.
- **Christmas Caroling:** Sunday, December 13, 2:00 pm, meet at Our Saviour's Campus. Join our 4th- and 5th-grade youth as we spread Christmas cheer by visiting our homebound members and Tabor Nursing Home. No sign-up needed. Just show up in your most festive holiday attire, and join us for an afternoon of singing and sharing Christmas joy!
- **Visit to Holy Family School:** Wednesday, December 16, depart at 11:00 am from Our Saviour's Campus; depart Holy Family School at 2:00 pm.
- **Longest Night Service:** Saturday, Dec. 19, 5:00 to 6:00 pm. Join us for a candlelit worship service on the longest night of the year as we acknowledge how God is at work amid our grief and joy this season.
- **Children's Ministry Christmas Pageant "Do It Scared":** Sunday, Dec. 20, during the 11 am worship service.
- **Christmas Eve Worship:**
- OS Campus - 2:30 pm (Family-friendly)
- OS Campus - 8:00 pm and 11:00 pm (more traditional)
- CC Campus - 4:30 pm (Family-friendly)

There will not be a Christmas Day worship service.
We encourage you to join us for a special worship service on Dec. 27,
"Breakfast Church" in the Fellowship Hall.