

# *Day of Thanksgiving*

November 24, 2024 9:30AM



**Jefferson Prairie Lutheran Church**

*As a community called by Christ, we live our faith by loving and serving all creation*

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**Prelude**  
**Welcome**

**We Gather Together**

**Bell Choir**

*Please stand as you are able*

**GATHERING** *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.

**Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.  
Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,  
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power.**  
**We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.**  
**Unbind us and set free.**

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,**  
**that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world**  
**and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus.**  
**Amen.**

. . . and rejoice in your salvation.

**Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

**"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"**

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**Greeting**

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

**And also with you.**

**Hymn of Praise**

**"This is the Feast"**

Song Sheet

**Prayer of the Day**

. . . Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**WORD** *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

**Reading**

**Joel 2:21-27**

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Holy wisdom. Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God!**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 126**

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;**

**then it was said among the nations,**

**"The LORD has done great things for them."**

The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

**Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.**

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.  
**Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

## Children's Message

*Please stand as you are able*

### Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 6.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Matthew 6:25-33**

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### Response to Gospel

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

## Sermon

**Pr. Linda Winkelman**

**Silence for Meditation** *We pause in contemplation of God's word, preparing to respond with song*

*Please stand as you are able*

### Message Response

**"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

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## Baptism

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## Baptism Song

**"Borning Cry"**

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## Prayers of Intercession

Petition response: **receive our prayer.**

. . . through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**MEAL** *God feeds us with the presence of Christ*

**Offerings** Place offerings in the plate at the sanctuary entrance, mail to the church, or give through our website or Tithe.ly App. Thank you for your financial support of our ministry.

## Presentation of Gifts

**"We Are an Offering"**

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We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours:

we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you,

we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering,

we are an offering.

## Offering Prayer

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,

**you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us  
with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and  
welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

. . . and join their unending hymn:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

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

## Words of Promise

### Lord's Prayer

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

**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 and ever. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## Communion

### Communion Hymns

**"What Feast of Love"**

**#487**

**"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

**#733**

**"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"**

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*Please stand as you are able*

### Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

**SENDING** *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

### Blessing

. . . bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Bell Toll

### Sending Hymn

**"Now Thank We All Our God"**

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Worship Leaders**

Jan Heron & Steve Winkelman – Ushers/Greeters

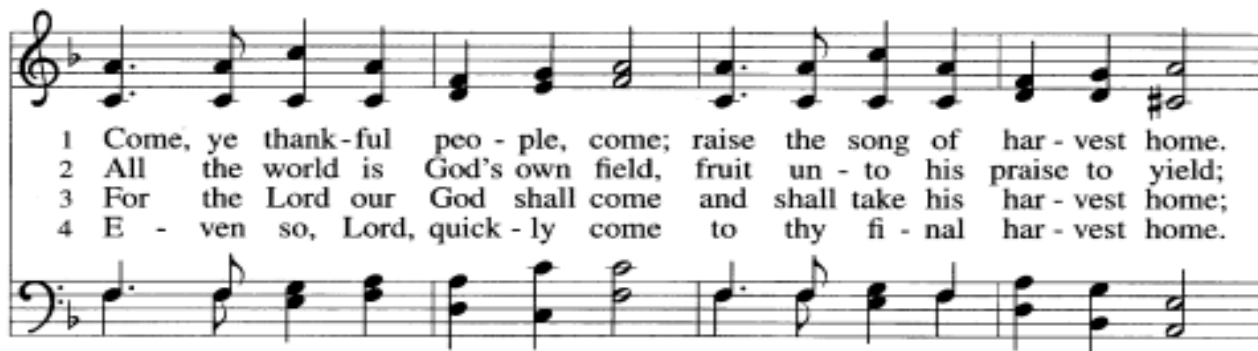
Linda Tolson – Reader

Robin Hofer – Pianist/Bell Choir Director

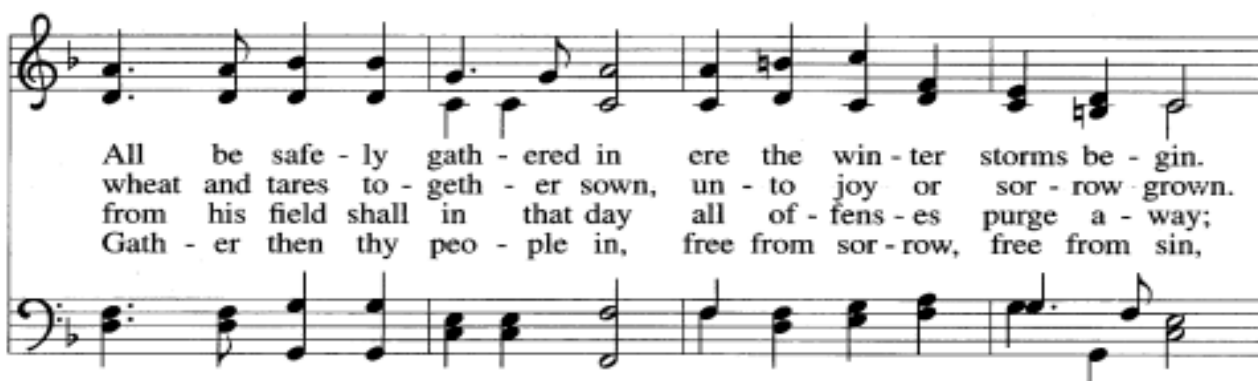
Linda Winkelman – Pastor

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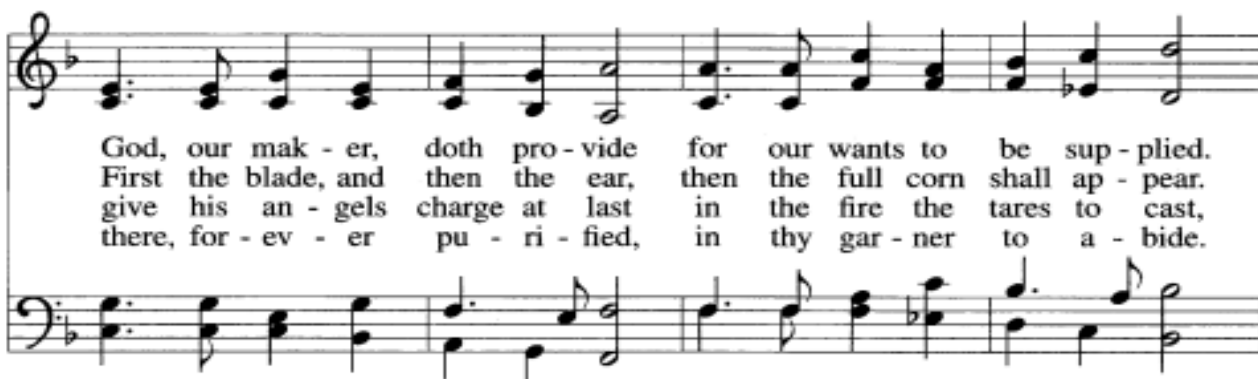
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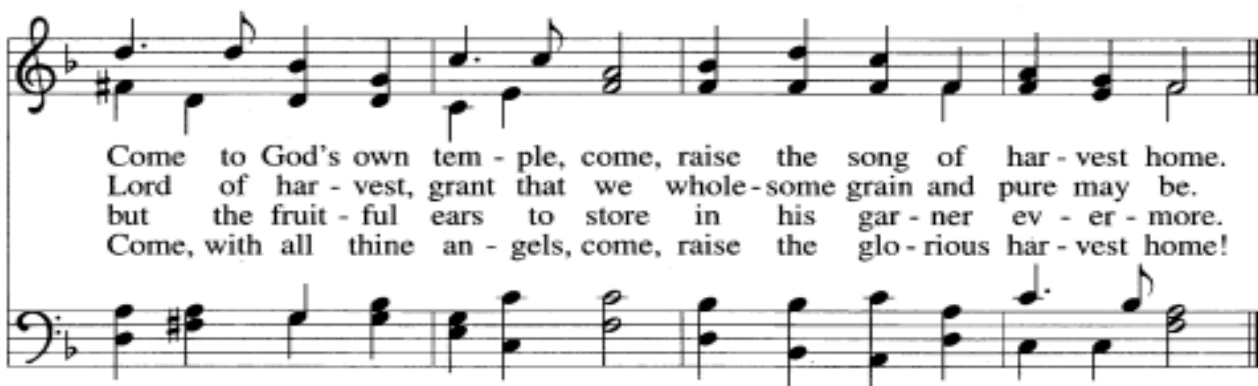
1 Come, ye thank-ful peo-ple, come; raise the song of har-vest home.  
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un-to his praise to yield;  
 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har-vest home;  
 4 E-ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi-nal har-vest home.



All be safe-ly gath-ered in ere the win-ter storms be-gin.  
 wheat and tares to-geth-er sown, un-to joy or sor-row grown.  
 from his field shall in that day all of-fens-es purge a-way;  
 Gath-er then thy peo-ple in, free from sor-row, free from sin,



God, our mak-er, doth pro-vide for our wants to be sup-plied.  
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap-pear.  
 give his an-gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 there, for-ev-er pu-ri-fied, in thy gar-ner to a-bide.



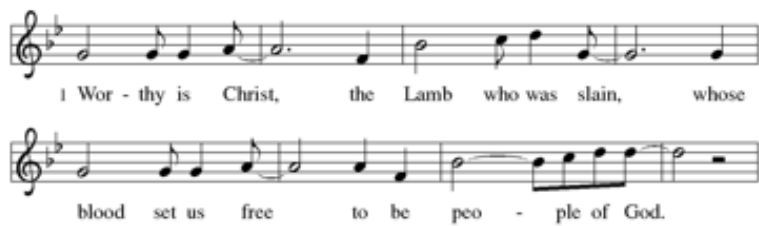
Come to God's own tem-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home.  
 Lord of har-vest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit-ful ears to store in his gar-ner ev-er-more.  
 Come, with all thine an-gels, come, raise the glo-rious har-vest home!

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -  
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*



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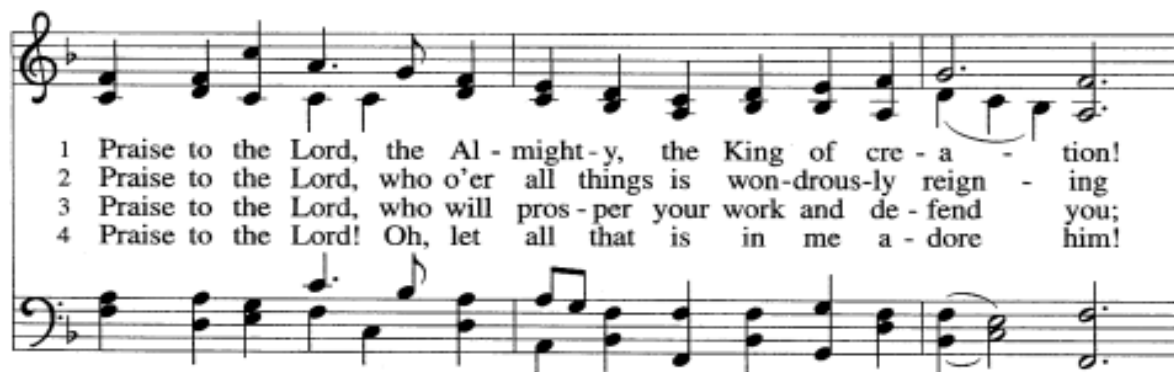


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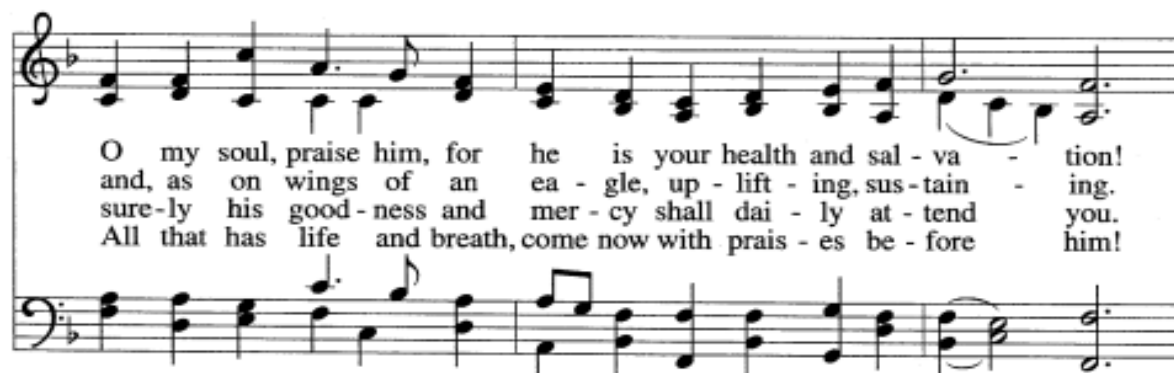
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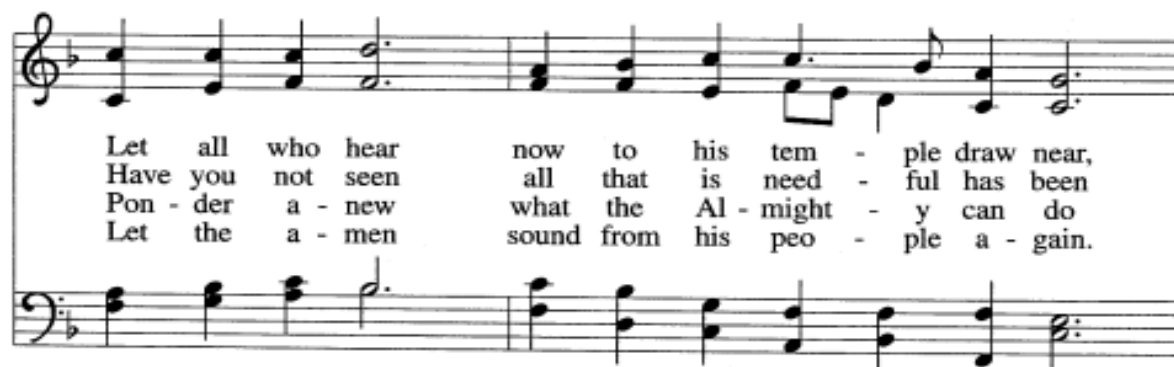
## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;  
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
 sure-ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 if with his love he be - friend you.  
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.  
 Music: Erneverten Gesangbuch, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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## Borning Cry

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- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
 3 "In the mid-dle a-ges of your life, not too old, no lon-ger young,



I re-joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un-fold.  
 you were raised to praise the liv-ing Lord, to whom you now be-long.  
 I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be-gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
 If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
 When the eve-ning gent-ly clos-es in and you shut your wea-ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."  
 I'll be there to make your vers-es rhyme from dusk till ris-ing sun."  
 I'll be there as I have al-ways been, with just one more sur-prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re-joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un-fold."

1 What feast of love is of-fered here, what ban-quet come from heav-en?  
 2 What light of truth is of-fered here, what cov-e-nant from heav-en?  
 3 What wine of love is of-fered here, what crim-son drink from heav-en?

What food of ev-er-last-ing life, what gra-cious gift is giv-en?  
 What hope of ev-er-last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv-en?  
 What stream of ev-er-last-ing life, what pre-cious blood is giv-en?

This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav-en.  
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav-en.  
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet-est wine of heav-en.

Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man-na giv-en!  
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv-en!  
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv-en!

## Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no  
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-  
 stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in  
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright

pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.  
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.  
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

*Refrain*

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960  
 Music: William M. Runyan, 1870-1957  
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morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy

hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

## Sing to the Lord of Harvest

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1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest your songs of love and praise;  
 2 God makes the clouds drop fat - ness, the des - erts bloom and spring,  
 3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar the gifts his good - ness gave,

with joy - ful hearts and voic - es your al - le - lu - ias raise;  
 the hills leap up in glad - ness, the val - leys laugh and sing.  
 the gold - en sheaves of har - vest, the souls Christ died to save.

by him the roll - ing sea - sons in fruit - ful or - der move;  
 God fills them with his full - ness, all things with large in - crease,  
 Your hearts lay down be - fore him when at his feet you fall,

sing to the Lord of har - vest a joy - ous song of love.  
 and crowns the year with good - ness, with plen - ty and with peace.  
 and with your lives a - dore him who gave his life for all.

## Now Thank We All Our God

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1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,  
 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
 the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,

who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way  
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
 the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
 and free us from all harm, in this world and the next.  
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878  
 Music: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

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## Announcements for November 24, 2024

**Welcome!** We are happy to have you worship with us today!

- **Large Print Bulletins and Hymns** are available in the narthex in a red binder. Ask the ushers!
- **Activity Bags for young children** are available in the narthex. Take one for use during the service.
- **Visitors:** Please fill out a visitor card located in the narthex or an online Connect Card at [JPLC Connect Card](#)

**Keep in prayer:** Christopher Bendixen (friend of Ginny Erickson), Judy Clark (daughter-in-law of Ruth Clark), Tammy Eckley (sister of Teresa Sommers), Cindy Hoekman, Craig Knutson, Brad Pfaff (son-in-law of Mary Jane Tracy), Jim Thompson, Lynn Tracy, and Mary Jane Tracy.

**We rejoice** today in the baptism of Carmine Gage Pickrum, son of Reyna Ryan and Cal Pickrum. We welcome you into God's family!

**Songs and Scriptures of the Season** service will be held on Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Join us as we hear God's word, sing, and pray. Invite your friends and family to prepare their hearts for Christ's coming. Enjoy a Cookie Fellowship time following the service! We will also have a Cookie Exchange for any who are interested. Sign up on the website. Contact Ginny Erickson for details if you'd like to participate.

**Poinsettia Order Forms** are available in the narthex. Forms are due by December 8.

**December Prairie Light** and **Christ in Our Home** for Jan-Mar are also available in the narthex.

**November Mission Partner** is the Clinton Community Outreach Food Pantry Holiday Program. We have been asked to provide at least 60 boxes of spaghetti and 60 jars of spaghetti sauce. Collection bin is at the back entrance. Last day to bring donations is December 12. We need 14 jars of spaghetti sauce and 4 boxes of spaghetti.

**Thanks** to those who gave to Miss Carly's during October. Total offering was \$153.

**JP Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner:** Join us on Wednesday, November 27 from 4-7pm for a relaxing evening of fellowship and food. **To RSVP:** Sign up on the connecting room board, call the church office (815) 292-3226 or email the church at [jplc@sharontelephone.com](mailto:jplc@sharontelephone.com). Posters are available in the narthex.

**Help us host:** If you would like to help, see the food and planning/serving sign ups located in the connecting room.

**James the Magician** is coming to JP on Saturday, December 7 at 2pm to perform his magic for children of all ages. Invite your friends and neighbors! Treats will be served and there will be gift bags for children.

Sign-up sheets for **Livestreaming** and for **Readers** are on the connecting room board. Sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hall to provide food/coffee for **Fellowship**. Please consider serving in these ways!

**Sharing Your Offering:** Thank you for your generosity that supports our ministry here at Jefferson Prairie and our mission partners. There are multiple options for sharing your offering.

- **Offering plates** are located on stands by the entrance to the sanctuary.
- **Give online** at [www.jplchurch.org](http://www.jplchurch.org). Click on the GIVE tab at the top to be directed to Tithe.ly.
- **Use the Tithe.ly App.** Click on GIVE on our website [www.jplchurch.org](http://www.jplchurch.org), download the Tithe.ly App at the bottom of the screen. Once installed, search for Jefferson Prairie and start giving using the App.
- **Mail** your check to church: 23184 Bergen Rd. Poplar Grove, IL 61065

**Online worship** available at: <https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonprairie/live/> and [www.jplchurch.org](http://www.jplchurch.org) homepage. Click on Sermons on the website to watch previous worship services. The bulletin is under Sermon Notes.

**NOTE:** This worship service is being livestreamed.

### This Week's Calendar

Tuesday, Nov 26	9am	Quilting
Wednesday, Nov 27	4 - 7pm	Thanksgiving Meal
Sunday, Dec 1	9:30am	Worship/1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent SS/Fellowship