

Thanksgiving Eve

November 27, 2024



Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!
Psalm 136:1



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Welcome! As we gather for worship on the eve of a national day of Thanksgiving, we raise our hymns and prayers to God for an abundance of blessings. Recognizing that we are pilgrims on earth, we are all the more amazed at God's providential kindness - that life in so temporary a state should abound with so great a store! May your gratitude overflow with humble, heartfelt thanks.

Prelude: "Nun danket alle Gott" - J. Fischer

Proclamation of Thanksgiving

Opening Responses

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: the name of the Lord is to be praised.

P: Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**C: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

P: Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C: Teach me Your paths.

P: Sanctify us in Your truth.

C: Your word is truth.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Office Hymn: 892 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



Psalm 67 (*spoken responsively by whole verse*)

P: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

C: that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

P: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

P: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

P: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Collect

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 8:1-10

The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ²And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. ⁴Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

Gradual

P: The eyes of all look to you, O Lord.

C: and you give them their food in due season.

P: You open your hand

C: and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

P: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

C: His steadfast love endures forever.

Epistle Reading: Philippians 4:6-20

...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

¹⁴Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. ¹⁵And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Choir: “For the Fruits of All Creation” - H. Hopson



Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers,^[a] who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, 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 cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The First Article of the Apostles' Creed and its Meaning (p. 322)

Hymn of the Day: 895 Now Thank We All Our God

Sermon

Gathering of the Offering and Offertory:

Instrumental Offertory: “Nun danket alle Gott” – J. Pachelbel

Congregational Offertory: 805 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Thanksgiving Prayers

Each petition concludes: P: Let us pray to the Lord

C: Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

Thanksgiving Benediction

P: May the Lord of all creation shower His blessings and favor upon you.

C: Amen

P: May the Lord of the harvest grace your Thanksgiving table with His presence and fill your loved ones with peace.

C: Amen

P: May the Lord of salvation guide you all your days until you come into the joys of His eternal kingdom.

C: Amen

P: And may almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn: 809 Great is Thy Faithfulness

Postlude: “Trumpet Finale” - G. Manfredini



Advent and Christmas at St. Peter

December:

<i>Sun</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>9:30 am</i>	<i>Advent begins</i>
		<i>3:30 pm</i>	<i>JamAfternoon Song Circle: Christmas Songs</i>
<i>Wed</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>	<i>Midweek Advent Service</i>
<i>Thurs</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>1 pm</i>	<i>Christmas Decorating</i>
<i>Sat</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>10 am</i>	<i>Nursery School Christmas Celebration</i>
<i>Wed</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>	<i>Midweek Advent Service</i>
<i>Sun</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>3:00 pm</i>	<i>Christmas Caroling for shut-ins/friends</i>
<i>Wed</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>	<i>Youth-led Advent Service</i>
<i>Tues</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>5:00/7:00 pm</i>	<i>Christmas Eve Services</i>
<i>Wed</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>	<i>Christmas Day Service</i>

