## THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 19, 2023

... by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving

> let your requests be made known to God.



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## SERVING US AND GOD THIS MORNING

PASTOR	Rev. Stewart Marshall
	Steve Shorts, Steve Lochmann
ORGANIST	Siri Richter
ACOLYTE	
LAY READER	Robert Floyd
USHERS	Robert Floyd, Bill Witt
	Kaye Meins, Phyllis Dunger
	Tricia Jacobs, Lynne Russell, Cherrie Bradley

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Choir Director	
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Maribeth Floyd, Lutheran Youth Ministries	
Property Board Chair	
Donna Marshall, Secretary	
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The **Nursery** is located in the education building on the west end of the building. The **Cry Room** is located off the narthex area with a window looking into the church, a changing table, and a crib are located in this room. Both areas have speakers so you may hear the service.

WE WELCOME YOU in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you are a guest, please sign our guest book by the outside entrance. May God bless your worship here today!

## **Communion Note**

The Lord's Supper is a gift of Christ given to those who He has called as His own. It is a gift that He instructs His family to use with care. It is for all baptized Christians who confess their sins, see Christ's forgiveness in the true body and blood of Christ they receive with the bread and wine. If you share this oneness of faith, please commune with us. If you have any questions, please speak with our pastor. Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of each tray for those people with special needs.

## DAY OF THANKSGIVING Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost From *Giving* Thanks to *Being* Generous November 23, 2023

#### AS WE GATHER

Gratitude does not depend on what is given or what is received. Gratitude is an attitude of the heart. One with a grateful heart stops immediately. Nothing else can go on until thanksgiving is expressed. That is what we see in the one leper who is healed. He cannot go back to his old life, nor can he begin his new life until he returns to Jesus, the source of healing, and offers Him thanks and praise. Our nation has been richly blessed by God. Each of us has received mercies new every morning. The key to contentment and peace is neither the abundance of gifts nor an absence, but a heart that returns thanks to the source of those gifts. Today we pause to do that, as a nation, as a people, and as Christians.

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#### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the  $\blacksquare$  Son and of the Holy Spirit. **People:** Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- Pastor With abundant generosity, God created the universe, the earth, all creatures, and each of us. He daily blesses and sustains us and all creation. Yet by our sin, God's good creation is broken. So let us confess our sin and hear again God's re-creating word of forgiveness.
- People We confess to You, O Lord, that we are naturally inclined to sin and selfcenteredness. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed. In addition to the wrong things we have done, we have also left many good things undone. And like the nine lepers, we fail to thank You as we should.
- Pastor Take heart! Jesus has come to forgive your sins and He will one day return and make all creation new. With joy, I, as a called and ordained servant of Jesus, declare to you His forgiveness. By the command of Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the I Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People Alleluia! Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endures forever! Alleluia!

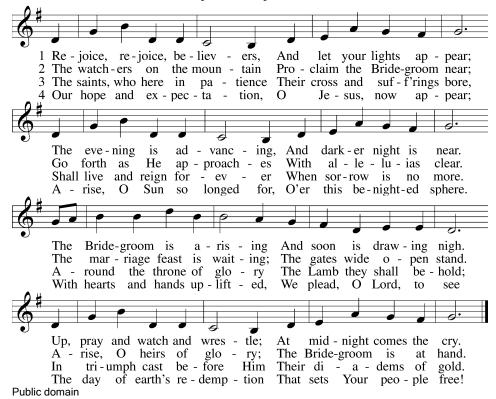
#### with a grate - ful heart, Give thanks Give thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks. Je - sus be-cause He's giv-en. 0 Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks. be-cause He's giv-en. thanks F Je-sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am 0 . rich," strong," Let the poor say "I Be-cause of am what the Lord has done for And now let the us. "I strong," "I weak say am Let the poor am say

#### HYMN 806 "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"



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HYMN OF PRAISE 515 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"



#### SALUTATION

- Pastor: The Lord be with you.
- People: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, Your giving knows no ending. Keep us from the sin of ingratitude, from taking for granted Your blessings, and from forgetting to offer You the thanks and praise You are due. Fill us with thankfulness, that we may praise Your goodness and learn true contentment, both for this life and for eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Deuteronomy 8:1-10* (Moses calls on the Israelites to bless God for His faithfulness.)

<sup>1</sup>"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. <sup>2</sup>And 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. <sup>3</sup>And 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. <sup>4</sup>Your 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. <sup>7</sup>For 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, <sup>9</sup>a 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. <sup>10</sup>And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

## People: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** *Philippians 4:6-20* (Paul encourages the Philippians to pray and give thanks to the God who sustains them in all troubles.)

<sup>6</sup>do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup>Finally, 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. <sup>9</sup>What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me-practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup>I 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. <sup>11</sup>Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup>I 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. <sup>13</sup>I can do all things through him who strengthens me. <sup>14</sup>Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. <sup>15</sup>And 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. <sup>16</sup>Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. <sup>17</sup>Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. <sup>18</sup>I 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. <sup>19</sup>And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup>To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 17:11-19* (Jesus generously heals ten lepers. A Samaritan is the Only one who thanks Him.)

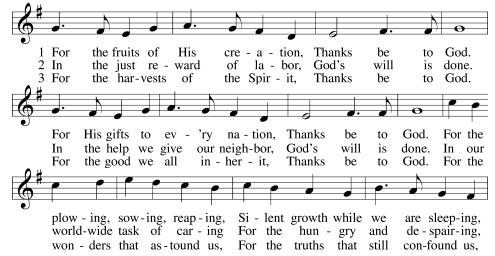
Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter. **People Glory to You, O Lord.** 

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup>and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." <sup>14</sup>When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup>and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup>Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY 894 "For the Fruits of His Creation"



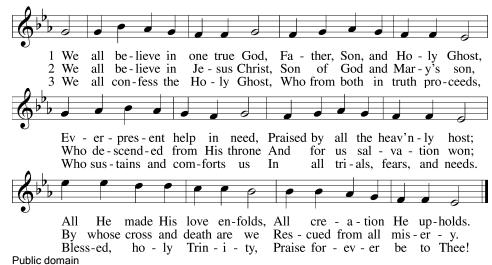


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#### CHILDRENS MESSAGE

#### SERMON PHILIPPIANS 4:10-20 "God Has Blessed us."

CREED 953 "WE ALL BELIEVE IN ONE TRUE GOD" Nicene Creed



#### OFFERTORY 785 WE PRAISE YOU OF GOD OUR REDEEMER CREATOR

1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a tor; 2 We wor - ship You, God 3 With voic - es u - nit bless You; of our fa - thers, we nit - ed prais - es of - fer our we . 0 vo - tion our tem - pest our In grate - ful de - vo trib ute we bring. Through tri - al and You have guide been. glad - ly our of thanks And songs - giv ing we raise. be - fore We it a - dore You; lay You, we kneel and not for - sake When per o'er - take You ils us, will us, With arm will guide us. You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong glad prais - es We bless sing. Your ho - ly name, we Your help, O And with Lord, our strug - gles we win. our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er To You, be praise!

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor	Filled with gratitude for all of God's mercy and provision, let us pray for the
1 00101	Church, for our nation, for our local community, and for our own needs, filled
	with thanksgiving that Jesus has promised to be with us always, even to the
	end of the age. For the Church throughout the world,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For the pastors, teachers, and all church workers of our Synod,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For missionaries far away and in difficult circumstances in our own nation,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For the elected leaders of our nation, state, and local community,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For doctors and nurses, fire fighters and police officers, construction and
	restaurant workers, teachers and counselors, and everyone else who
	contributes to the well-being of our community,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For Your presence with those who are sick, dying, or mourning,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For the people in our lives who love us and those we are called to love-
	families, friends, co-workers, and neighbors,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For safe travel for those gathering to celebrate Thanksgiving Day,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For the ongoing generosity of this congregation, which provides Word and
	Sacrament ministry, Christ-centered community, and service to our neighbors,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	For the life and witness of those who have gone before us in faith and now
	rest from their labors eternally in the arms of Jesus,
People	we give You thanks, O Lord.
Pastor	We entrust our prayers to You, gracious Father, who with Your Son, Jesus,
	and the Holy Spirit reign forever as God of all.
People	Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

## SACRAMENT ▼

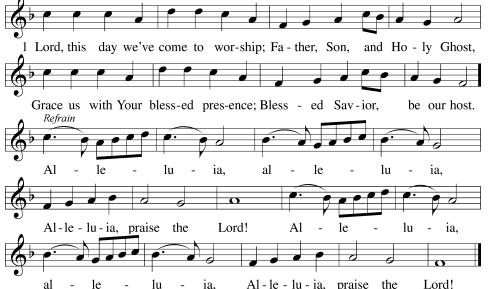
## PREFACE

- Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22
- People: And also with you.
- Pastor: Lift up your hearts. [Colossians 3:1]
- People: We lift them to the Lord.
- Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [Psalm 136]
- People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is good and right, our duty and our delight, to give thanks to You, Lord God, our heavenly Father, from whom all things come, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the Word through whom all things came into being. Mindful of all Your gifts and gathered by the prompting of the Holy Spirit, we offer You thanks and praise for all Your goodness and for Your kindness in bestowing upon us everlasting life. Therefore with all the angels and the company of heaven we offer You thanks and praise, singing:

SANCTUS 911 "LORD, THIS DAY WE'VE COME TO WORSHIP"



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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- Pastor: We give You thanks, almighty God, for Your patient love that bore with us sinners, who deserved only Your wrath. You gave us Your Law to protect us from harm and sent forth Your promise through the prophets to sustain us in the hope of a Savior. In the fullness of days, You delivered up Your own Son, born of the Virgin by the Holy Spirit, to fulfill all righteousness for us and to offer Himself as the one, all-sufficient sacrifice for our sin and for the sin of the whole world. Before He was betrayed to His voluntary sufferings, He established a memorial of His death, through which He offers to us His body in bread and His blood in wine, that we might be forgiven of our sins and strengthened by His grace to everlasting life.
- People: Amen.

# **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My № body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance

#### of Me."

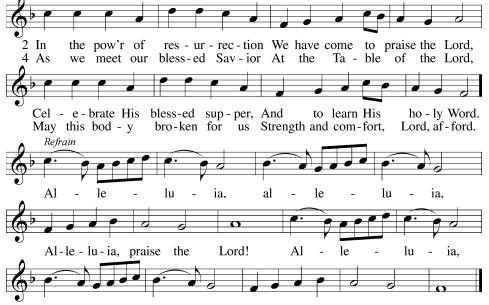
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\blacksquare$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

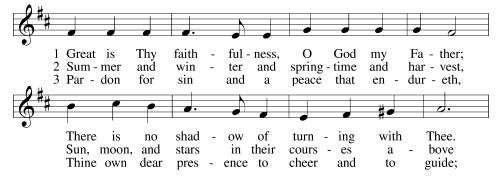
AGNUS DEI 911 "LORD, THIS DAY WE'VE COME TO WORSHIP"



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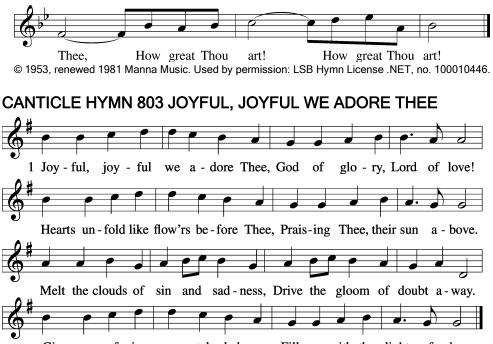
COMMUNION HYMN 809 "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"





the works Thy hand hath made, I all see the stars, I hear the might - y birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun-tain die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur-den glad - ly home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - othun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played; gran-deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze; bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin; ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Refrain Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day. Text: Henry Van Dyke, 1852–1933, alt. Tune: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1796–1867 Text and tune: Public domain

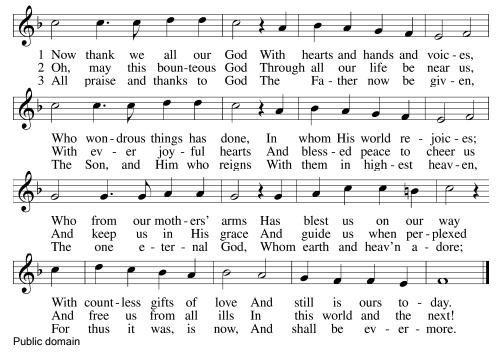
- Pastor: O Lord, all things are Yours, and yet Your goodness provides for us more than we deserve or dare ask. Equip our hearts with Your Spirit, that we may learn gratitude and offer You the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for all that You have provided, most of all for the treasure of salvation that is ours through the merits of Christ, our Savior, whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit, You are one God, now and forever.
- People: Amen.

#### BENEDICTION Based on Psalm 113:3; Philippians 4:6-7

- Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- People: may the name of the Lord be praised.
- Pastor: Without anxiety or fear, but in all things, by prayer and supplication, offer Your requests to God.
- People: And may the peace of God which surpasses all our understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- People: Amen.



## SENDING HYMN 895 "Now Thank We All Our God"



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#### PRAYERS

#### Please remember these people in your personal prayers.

#### Members with health concerns:

Jeanette Bunting Phyllis Dunger Melodie Bradley Kimberly Brinkerhoff Joann Wessels Rook Lynne Russell Millie Kroll JP Dunger Don Richter Zac Dodge Mike McKenzie Sherry Reed

Lloyd Wessels Bettye Johnson Dorothy Herrod Siri Richter Pete Smykla Waymond Meins

Danny Forrest

Carroll Sanders, friend of Pat Baughman, in burn unit in Children's Hospital in Little Rock

Olivia Dunger, JP & Phyllis Dunger's sister-in-law, in hospital

Randy Thorpe, Cathy Webb's brother, recovering from open heart surgery and CLL (Leukemia)

Kasen Harris, Grandson of Carol Michael's best friend, health concerns Candace Hogue, lung cancer

William Hogue, Betty Bennett Carter Johnson's son-in-law, major stroke Amy Ingle, (a Pastor friend's wife) - breast cancer

James Marshall-Jernigan, Chronic Myeloid Leukemia

Emmett Jernigan - healing from colon surgery

Desiree Kuhs, friend of Melodie Bradley, brain tumor and a rare disease called Wegners Melodie Bradley's cousin, Lindsay, cancer

David Witt, cousin of Bill Witt, cancer

Kathryn Lincecum, daughter of Siri & Don Richter–heart & health concerns Ginger Burrer Segner, cancer

Lisa Sayers, mother of missing daughter Sam, has breast cancer for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time

Prayers for people needing silent prayer requests.

Sharon Niswonger, Cancer

Prayers for the Sayers family for answers, on their missing daughter Sam

Vanessa Upton, friend of Lynne Russell's, metastatic breast cancer, spot on her lung, getting treatment.

Rev. Michael Harnack Pastor in Burbank Cal. Has been diagnosed with an autoimmune disease called CIDP

Ruby Green, health concerns

Georgetta Gregory, health concerns

Princella Gardner, cancer

Linda Morris, Cancer

Linda Eubank, cancer

Dan & Betty Rice

Monte Coleman, health concerns

Prayers for those on our hearts

Prayers for our son-in-law Joe for healing and safe deployment

PBPD officer and EMT Tiffany Wood

Care givers - For the family and friends who provide care and support for the ill and shut-ins. For our congregations, our members, our nation, all Military and their families, 1<sup>st</sup> Responders, Firemen, Police and for Pine Bluff, all those around the world in need of prayers



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our worship video: Worship service on https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnkah2JqGwLDiudmTBDQaGQ

Pastor preaches in Crossett tonight at 5:00

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

The Parsley family will be using the fellowship hall on Saturday.

Trinity notebooks are on the table in the Narthex. Please pick one up

Pictures for our new photo directory are taking place on Sundays. If you cannot make it on a given Sunday, make arrangements with Pastor or Donna to have one done during the week.

Please remember to turn off cell phones during worship. Thank You!



#### In His Service This Week November 19<sup>th</sup> - November 26<sup>th</sup>

## Sunday, November 19th 25th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class

10:45 Worship w/communion

5:00 Worship in Crossett

## Thursday, November 23rd

Happy Thanksgiving

## Saturday, November 25th

Parsley Family will be using the fellowship hall

## Sunday, November 26th, Last Sunday of the Church Year

9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study10:45 Worship with Communion12:00 Council Meeting12:00 Decorating for Advent

#### Text for next Sunday - Ezek. 34:11-16, 20-24 1 Cor. 15:20-28 Matt. 25:31-46

## Attendance: SS/ABC - 20 Worship: -28 Online - 5

The Flowers that grace our altar this morning are provided by Judy & Rachel Clinton "In loving memory of Ray"

