

# Thanksgiving Eve

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Bluffs, IA

November 27, 2024

**Prelude:** "Fanfare of Thanksgiving" *Arr. Dan R. Edwards*

**Hymn:** "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" **LSB 892**



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 Thou 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.

*Text: Henry Alford, 1810–71, alt.*

*Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–93*

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*Stand*

## Vespers – Opening Versicles *LSB 229*

**Psalm**      *Psalm 67; antiphon: v. 7*

<sup>7</sup>*God shall | bless us;\**

*let all the ends of the earth | fear him!*

<sup>1</sup>May God be gracious to us and | bless us\*

and make his face to shine up- | on us,

<sup>2</sup>**that your way may be | known on earth,\***

**your saving power among all | nations.**

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, | O God;\*

let all the peoples | praise you!

<sup>4</sup>**Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,\***

**for you judge the peoples with equity**

**and guide the nations up- | on earth.**

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, | O God;\*

let all the peoples | praise you!

<sup>6</sup>**The earth has yielded its | increase;\***

**God, our God, shall | bless us.**

<sup>7</sup>God shall | bless us;\*

let all the ends of the earth | fear him!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

<sup>7</sup>*God shall | bless us;\**

*let all the ends of the earth | fear him!*

# Office Hymn: "We Praise You, O God" LSB 785



1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;  
2 We wor - ship You, God of our fa - thers, we bless You;  
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide You have been.  
And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;  
When per - ils o'er - take us, You will not for - sake us,  
With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.



We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.  
And with Your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.  
To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: John R. Coey, 1982-1983, ab.  
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**Reading:** Deuteronomy 8:1-10

**Choral Response:** "Praise and Thanksgiving" *LSB 789*

**Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18

**Hymn: "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" LSB 893**



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest, Sing songs of love and praise;  
2 God makes the clouds rain good - 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.  
He crowns the year with bless - ing, With plen - ty and with peace.  
And with your lives a - dore Him Who gave His life for all.

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–75, alt.

Tune: Johann Steurlein, 1546–1613

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**Reading:** Luke 17:11-19

**Responsory** *LSB 230*

**Sermon:** "Remember the Lord your God"

*Deuteronomy 8:1-10*

*Stand*

Sermon Response: "Now Thank We All Our God"

LSB 895



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 His world rejoices;  
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us  
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven,



Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way  
And keep us in His 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 ills In this world and the next!  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

Text: Martin Rinckart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

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*Sit*

**Offering:** "Now Thank We All Our God" *Arr. Charles Callahan*

*Kneel/Stand*

**Kyrie** *LSB 233*

**Lord's Prayer**

**Collects**

**Collect of the Day**

P Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Collect for Peace

Benedicamus *LSB 234*

Benediction *LSB 234*

Closing Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *LSB 790*

### 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,  
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -  
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your  
reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -  
made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly  
fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His  
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is  
fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has  
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -  
prais - es be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.  
might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.  
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

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**Postlude:** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” - *Arr. Pamela M. Robertson*

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