

**October 10th, 2021 – Order of Service – Thanksgiving Sunday**

Welcome *\*Please join in hymns, responses & prayers (boldtype)*

Announcements

Gathering Music

Gathering of the Community:

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

*People*      ***And also with you.***

Hymn: Voices United 519

**Sing to the Lord of harvest,  
sing songs of love and praise,  
with joyful hearts and voices  
your hallelujahs raise;  
          by whom the rolling seasons  
          in fruitful order move;  
sing to the Lord of harvest  
a joyful song of love.**

**God makes the clouds drop fatness,  
the deserts bloom and spring,  
the hills leap up in gladness,  
the valleys laugh and sing.  
          God fills them all with fullness,  
          all things with large increase,  
and crowns the year with goodness,  
with plenty and with peace.**

**Bring to this sacred altar  
all things God's goodness gave,  
the golden sheaves of harvest,  
the souls Christ died to save:  
          your hearts lay down before him  
          when at his feet you fall,  
and with your lives adore him  
who gave his life for all.**

Collect:

**Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things.  
Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast  
wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family,  
today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for**

**the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus  
Christ the Lord.Amen.**

First Reading: Joel 2: 21-27

Second Reading: Psalm 126

Gospel Hymn: Voices United 356

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and God's righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you;  
seek and you shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

**We do not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God.  
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

Gospel: Matthew 6: 25-33

Reflection

🎵 *Musical Interlude* 🎵

Prayers of the People

Blessing for Special Occasions (If necessary)

**We offer thanks for N this day, for his/her/their presence and  
gifts, and the relationships s/he/they nourish(es). Bless  
him/her/them this day and always. May Your face shine in and  
through her/him/them, so that our world might know You more  
fully. Amen.**

The Peace *(All unmute to greet one another)*

Prayer over the Gifts:

**Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have  
given us dominion over all things. Receive the symbols of our  
labour and love which we offer you this day, in the name of  
Jesus Christ our Lord.Amen**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Presider* May God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to God.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

*People* **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

*Presider...* Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying::

**All**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Presider...* and to proclaim our faith.

*All* **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Presider...* and we bless your holy name for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as 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 for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread:

*Presider* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All* **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in  
the one bread.**

*(All lift up bread)*


The Communion:

*Presider* The gifts of God for the children of God.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*Presider* The body of Christ broken for you.

*All consume bread before them.*

 *Musical Interlude* 

Post Communion Hymn: CP 568

**Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.  
Those who seek God shall never go wanting.  
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.  
God alone fills us.  
(2x)**

Sending:

**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and  
blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body,  
live his risen life; we who drink his cup, bring life to others; we,  
whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in  
the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your  
children shall be free and the whole earth live to praise your  
name; through Christ, our Lord. Amen**

Closing Hymn: Voices United 520

**We plough the fields and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered  
by your almighty hand;  
you send the snow in winter,  
the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes and the sunshine,  
and soft refreshing rain.**

*Refrain:* **All good gifts around us  
are sent from heaven above;  
we thank you, God, O holy God,  
for all your love.**

**You only are the maker  
of all things near and far;  
you paint the wayside flower,  
you light the evening star;  
the winds and waves obey you,  
by you the birds are fed;  
much more to us, your children,  
you give us daily bread.**

*Refrain*

**We thank you then, O Maker,  
for all things bright and good,  
the seed-time and the harvest,  
our life, our health, our food;  
accept the gifts we offer  
for all your love imparts,  
and, what from us you long for,  
our humble, thankful hearts.**

*Refrain*

Dismissal:

*Deacon....*

*People      **Thanks be to God.***

Sending Music

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***Please stay a few minutes, as able, for coffee & conversation***