

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn .. “Come, You Thankful People, Come”.. LBW #407

Proclamation of the Day

P: In the first year of the presidency of George Washington in 1789, a Day of National Thanksgiving was set aside for the last Thursday of November. Days of Thanksgiving were held at various times in different states until 1863, when President Abraham Lincoln established a Day of Thanksgiving as a national holiday, 74 years to the day after President Washington’s proclamation and set on the same day of the year. Since that time, Americans have celebrated this day in remembrance of all the blessings which God has poured down upon this nation and her citizens.

Prayer for Our Nation

Call to Worship for Thanksgiving:

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**C: His steadfast love endures forever.**

P: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

**C: Make known His deeds among the peoples!**

P: God blesses us with gifts of love:

**C: With food and clothing, home and family.**

P: God blesses us with daily work:

**C: And all we need from day to day.**

P: God protects us in time of danger:

**C: And guards us from every evil.**

P: God redeems us from sin and death:

**C: And forms us into one holy people, the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.**

P: Therefore, shall we offer thanks and praise to the Lord.

**C: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn ..... “We Praise You, O God” ..... LBW #241

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm 100:

P: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**C: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

P: Know that the Lord is God.

**C: It is he that made us, and we are his;**

P: we are his people,

**C: and the sheep of his pasture.**

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

**C: Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

P: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

**C: and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-9

Faith Seeds (6:30 p.m.) ..... Faith Lutheran Puppets

Gospel: John 6:25-35

Sermon ..... “Never-Ending Feast” ..... Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn ..... “Break Now the Bread of Life” ..... LBW #235

Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering/Special Music (6:30 p.m.) ..... Ringers of Faith  
“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

Offertory Response

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy, with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but also in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

The Distribution

Communion Hymns ..... LBW #197, 412, 557

Benediction

Hymn ..... "Now Thank We All Our God" ..... LBW #534

**A Very Special Thank You . . .**

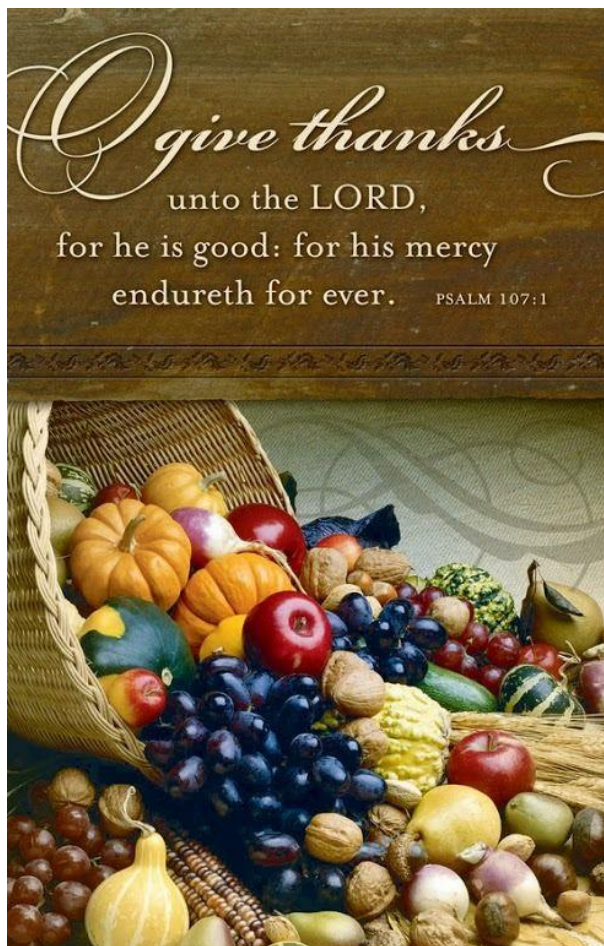
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# **A Service of Thanksgiving**

## **Faith Lutheran Church**

335 Main Street South, Hutchinson, Minnesota  
*November 23, 2022, Thanksgiving Eve 6:30 p.m. and  
November 24, 2022, Thanksgiving Day 10:00 a.m.*



We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. All children are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Children who have completed communion instruction are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. If you are unable to receive the wine, please let the wine server know and grape juice will be provided. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. Please let server know and they will be provided.