

Grant That All Good Is From God

A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

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9:00 AM



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WELCOME...

- *May the Word of God bring you comfort in Christ alone.*
 - *Check our website at www.graceglendale.org for more information.*
 - *Please reserve **the BACK PEWS for parents with SMALL CHILDREN.***
 - *Ask an usher to receive a **RECEIVER** if you need hearing assistance.*
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Please stand

HYMN: 491 COME, YOU THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME

CONGREGATION: *(sung)*

**Come, you thankful people, come;
Raise the song of harvest home
All be safely gathered in
Ere the winter storms begin.
God, our Maker, does provide
For our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest home.**

**We come together,
to worship our bountiful Creator.**

**We come together,
as the faithful body of Christ.**

We come together,
as a community united by the Spirit.

CONGREGATION: *(sung)*

**All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and weeds together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we,
Wholesome grain and pure may be.**

With thankful hearts,
we praise our Creator God.

With shouts of praise,
we declare God's mighty works.

In humility and love,
we pray for and receive God's outpoured grace.

CONGREGATION: *(sung)*

**For the Lord our God shall come
To your final harvest home,
From his field shall in that day,
All offenses purge away,
Give his angels charge at last,
In the fire the weeds to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In his garner evermore.**

We come today to praise the God of creation. Present your hearts as fields ripe for the Lord's harvest. Come, let us worship the Lord with thanksgiving and praise!

We come as thankful people of God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord of the harvest, come and gather our praise of thanksgiving. Your gifts of goodness are presented to us every day. Lead us by Your Holy Spirit to live lives centered on Your will and surrendered to Your purpose; through Jesus Christ, who gave His life for all. Amen.

CONGREGATION: *(sung)*

**Even so, Lord, quickly come
To Your final harvest home;
Gather all Your people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
In Your garner to abide.
Come, with all Your angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest home.**

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 8:10–18

¹⁰When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. ¹¹Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. ¹²Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, ¹³and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, ¹⁴then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ¹⁵He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. ¹⁶He gave you manna to eat in

the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. ¹⁷You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” ¹⁸But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING:

The love of God in Jesus Christ has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

He makes springs flow in the valley and rivers run between the hills. The earth is filled with His countless creatures.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He anoints my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.

“I will open the windows of heaven for you, and pour down upon you overflowing blessings,” says the Lord.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

(Please rise for the Gospel in honor of the words of Jesus.)

GOSPEL

Matthew 6:25–34

²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING:

“I will send down my showers in their seasons; they shall be showers of blessing. The trees of the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield its increase.”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.

You will be enriched in every way for your generosity, which will overflow with many thanksgivings to God.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

HYMN OF THE DAY: #609 – We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer

SERMON TEXT: Deuteronomy 8:10-18

DO NOT FORGET

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Give thanks to the Lord who is good.
God's love is everlasting.

Come, let us praise God joyfully.
Let us come to God with thanksgiving.

For the good world; for things great and small, beautiful and awesome; for seen and unseen splendors:

We thank you, O God.

For human life; for talking and moving and thinking together; for common hopes and hardships shared from birth until our dying:

We thank you, O God.

For work to do and strength to work; for the comradeship of labor; for exchanges of good humor and encouragement:

We thank you, O God.

For marriage; for the mystery and joy of flesh made one; for mutual forgiveness and burdens shared; for secrets kept in love:

We thank you, O God.

For family; for living together and eating together; for family amusements and family pleasures:

We thank you, O God.

For children; for their energy and curiosity; for their brave play and startling frankness; for their sudden sympathies:

We thank you, O God.

For the young; for their high hopes; for their candid criticism; for their search for freedom:

We thank you, O God.

For growing up and growing old; for wisdom deepened by experience; for rest in leisure; for time made precious by its passing:

We thank you, O God.

For your help in times of doubt and sorrow; for healing our diseases; for preserving us in temptation and danger:
We thank you, O God.

For the Church into which we have been called; for the good news we receive by Word and sacrament; for our life together in the Lord:
We praise you, O God.

For your Holy Spirit, who guides our steps and brings us gifts of faith and love, who prays in us and prompts our grateful worship:
We praise you, O God.

Above all, O God, for your Son, Jesus Christ, who lived and died and lives again for our salvation; for our hope in him; and for the joy of serving him:
We thank and praise you, eternal God, for all your goodness to us.

Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.
God's love is everlasting.

Offerings OF LOVE to Our Lord

Please fill out the "Welcome to Grace" register in your pew at this time!

Grace Ringers: "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

HYMN: #953 – Holy God, We Praise Your Name
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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

GRADES PK-8: Thanksgiving a Round of Thanks

Usher: Jon Floerke/Alan Borchardt

Organist: Michael Wilde

TODAY’S FLOWERS WERE DONATED BY:

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**THOSE WHO MARKED THAT THEY WANTED FLOWERS MAY
PICK THEM UP IN THE SACRISTY AFTER THE SERVICE
TODAY.**

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Christmas Decorating** – November 26, Sunday at 11:30 AM
- **Adult Choir Christmas Caroling** – December 2, Saturday at 12:00 PM
- **Foundations of Faith # 4** – December 9, Saturday at 9:00 AM
- **Celebration of Christmas** – December 10, Sunday at 6:00 PM
- **Children's Christmas Service** – December 21, Thursday at 6:30 PM
- **Advent 4** – December 24, Sunday at 9:00 AM
- **Candlelight Services** – December 24, Sunday at 5:00 & 7:00 PM
- **Christmas 1** – December 25, Monday at 9:00 AM
- **New Year's Eve Communion Service** – December 31, Sunday at 6:00 PM

