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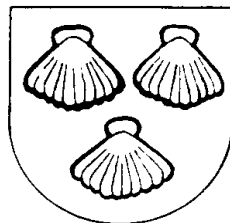


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“Thanks Giving”

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WE GATHER

Prelude

"Give Thanks and Lord, Be Glorified" arr. Anne Krentz Organ

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Welcome

Rev. Patricia Abell

Approaching the Threshold

"Give Thanks" (Chorus and verse, no repeats)

TFWS 2036

Chorus

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son

Verse

And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us

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Call to Worship

Barbara Cook

ONE: Let's enter God's dwelling place.

Let's worship in the house of God!

Let's enter with thanksgiving and praise.

Let's worship with the joy of the Lord!

Let's worship with our words and our lives.

Let's live as the household of God!

Crossing the Threshold "Give Thanks" (Chorus and Verse, No repeats & Coda 2 times) **TFWS 2036**

Chorus

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Give thanks to the Holy One
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Verse

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Coda

Give thanks

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Opening Prayer

Alpha God, you were present at our beginning. Omega God, you will be there at our ending.
As the one who is and was and is coming, be with us each and every moment of our lives.
Reign in our lives, that we may reflect the light of your love.
Reign in our world that your kingdom may abide on earth as it is in heaven.
In your sacred name, we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn

“When We All Get to Heaven” (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

UMH 701

Verse 1

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus
Sing His mercy and His grace
In the mansions bright and blessed
He'll prepare for us a place

Chorus

When we all get to heaven
What a day of rejoicing that will be
When we all see Jesus
We'll sing and shout the victory

Verse 3

Let us then be true and faithful
Trusting serving every day
Just one glimpse of Him in glory
Will the toils of life repay

Chorus

Verse 4

Onward to the prize before us
Soon His beauty we'll behold
Soon the pearly gates will open
We shall tread the streets of gold

Chorus

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Children's Moment

Jelinda Blum

Scripture

Revelation 1:4b-8 (CEB)

Barbara Cook

Grace and peace to you from the one who is and was and is coming, and from the seven spirits that are before God's throne,⁵ and from Jesus Christ—the faithful witness, the firstborn from among the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To the one who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,⁶ who made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father—to him be glory and power forever and always. Amen.

⁷ Look, he is coming with the clouds! Every eye will see him, including those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of him. This is so. Amen. ⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “the one who is and was and is coming, the Almighty.

Matthew 6:25-33 (CEB)

²⁵ “Therefore, I say to you, don't worry about your life, what you'll eat or what you'll drink, or about your body, what you'll wear. Isn't life more than food and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds in the sky. They don't sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them.

Aren't you worth much more than they are? ²⁷ Who among you by worrying can add a single moment to your life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothes? Notice how the lilies in the field grow. They don't wear themselves out with work, and they don't spin cloth. ²⁹ But I say to you that even Solomon in all of his splendor wasn't dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If God dresses grass in the field so beautifully, even though it's alive today and tomorrow it's thrown into the furnace, won't God do much more for you, you people of weak faith? ³¹ Therefore, don't worry and say, 'What are we going to eat?' or 'What are we going to drink?' or 'What are we going to wear?' ³² Gentiles long for all these things. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ Instead, desire first and foremost God's kingdom and God's righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Anthem

"All Good Gifts"

Chancel Choir

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Message

"Thanks Giving"

Rev. Patricia Abell

Prayers for God's People, the Church and the World

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[A time of silence is kept after each petition.]

The Lord's Prayer

Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Closing Hymn

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided

As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

Verse 2

Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me

Verse 3

Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside

Chorus

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Benediction

Postlude

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Questions for Reflection

*Jesus said that his kingdom is not of this world and that belonging to
his way of life means a constant attentiveness to his voice.*

How are you (individually and as a community) embodying the countercultural reign of God?

What is a further step that you are being called to take?

How might you make more time to listen for his voice?

Household Prayer: Morning

Gracious God, help me to receive this day as gift:

*in the tasks for which I do not feel prepared,
in the needs I am not strong enough to meet.*

In my caution and in my confidence teach me to listen for your voice and to watch for your provision.

Grant me the gift of life in community,

*that I might witness your desire flowing through others,
that I might be joined to greater service,*

for I pray in the name of Jesus, whose every breath was praise. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Lord of life, as I reflect on this day,

*help me to recognize your witness in truth that challenged convenience,
in decisions that stretched my heart, in forgiveness freely offered.*

*Teach me to trust the sound of your voice and to follow where you lead, for I would serve in the shelter of
your reign. Amen.*

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