

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP 2017

THANKSGIVING EVE @ 7PM | THANKSGIVING DAY @ 10AM

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION 1789

Issued by President George Washington, at the request of Congress, on October 3, 1789

By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation.

Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor; and—Whereas both Houses of Congress have, by their joint committee, requested me “to recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness:”

Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country previous to their becoming a nation; for the signal and manifold mercies and the favor, able interpositions of His providence in the course and conclusion of the late war; for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty which we have since enjoyed; for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one now lately instituted; for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and, in general, for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations, and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions; to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually; to render our National Government a blessing to all the people by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed; to protect and guide all sovereigns and nations (especially such as have shown kindness to us), and to bless them with good governments, peace, and concord; to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us; and, generally, to grant unto all mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as He alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

CALL TO THANKSGIVING

P: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness;

C: Come before Him with joyful songs.

P: Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His;

C: We are His people, the sheep of His Pasture

P: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise

C: Give thanks to Him and praise His name

P: For the Lord is good and His love endures forever

C: His faithfulness continues through all generations

P: Praise be to the Lord, for He has heard our cries for mercy.

C: The Lord is our strength and our shield, our hearts trust in Him

P: Our hearts leap for joy!

C: And we will give thanks to Him in song.

OPENING HYMN: COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME

LSB 892 (1, 3, 4)

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

For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His harvest home,
From His field shall in that day All offenses purge away,
Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.

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

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION

P: Just as hymns and spiritual songs can give words to our deepest prayers of praise and adoration, so too can they give words to our confession of sin before a holy God. We join in singing and speaking

FORGIVE US, LORD, FOR SHALLOW THANKFULNESS

LSB 788

Sing Forgive us Lord, for shallow thankfulness
for dull content with warmth and sheltered care,
For songs of praise for worldly wealthiness,
While of Your richer gifts we're unaware

Speak Forgive us, Lord, for selfish thanks and praise,
For words that speak at variance with deeds;
Forgive our thanks for walking pleasant ways
Unmindful of a broken brother's needs:

Sing Forgive us, Lord, for feast that knows not fast,
For joy in things that meanwhile starve the soul,
For walls and wars that hide Your mercies vast
And blur our vision to the Kingdom goal:

P: My brothers and sisters in Christ, we have great reason to give thanks this day. For Christ has come to be our Savior and forgive us - even our sins of unthankfulness. Through His death and resurrection, He rescues us and restores us as His own children. So let us rejoice and give thanks and praise to Him.

All: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD

LSB 785

**We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.**

**We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o’ertake us, You will not forsake us,
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.**

**With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: We pray together, using the words of the hymn *Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness*.

C: **Teach us to thank You, Lord, for love and grace,
For life and vision, for a purpose clear,
For Christ Your Son, and for each human face
That shows Your message ever new and near.**

**Teach us, O Lord, true thankfulness divine,
That gives as Christ gave, never counting cost,
That knows no barrier of “yours” and “mine,”
Assured that only what’s withheld is lost.**

**Open our eyes to see Your love’s intent,
To know with minds and hearts its depth and height;
May thankfulness be days in service spent,
Reflection of Christ’s life and love and light.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

DEUTERONOMY 8:1-10

“The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ² And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³ And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word[a] that comes from the mouth of the LORD. ⁴ Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵ (*continued*)

Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶ So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷ For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹ a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰ And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

EPISTLE READING

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-20

⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have learned^[a] and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

SONG OF RESPONSE: GIVE THANKS WITH A GRATEFUL HEART

LSB 806

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son. (2x)**

**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. (2x)**

Give thanks, give thanks.

GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 17:11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee.¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan.¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?"

¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

HYMN OF THE DAY: AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!
O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern impassion'd stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!

O Beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

SERMON

APOSTLES CREED

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come 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

(7pm only) **CHOIR: NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD**

OFFERING RESPONSE: DOXOLOGY

LSB 805

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

LITANY OF PRAISE

P: Let us praise God: For the day, the glory and warmth of the sun, stir of life, and for the associations that give joy and pleasure.

C: God be praised for the day

P: For the earth, the sustainer of life, for the hills, the dales, and the waters; and for the beauty of meadows and fields, of flowers and trees.

C: God be praised for the earth.

P: Let us praise God: for our food and the pleasures He has given us in it, I should neglect the needs of life; may He help us to shun all waste and to rejoice sharing with others.

C: God be praised for our food.

P: For the shelter from wind and weather, which hallowed by love becomes our home; may He strengthen our will that no one goes hungry or ill-housed or ill-clad.

C: God be praised for our home.

P: Let us praise God: for fathers and mothers by whom He orders lives and comforts hearts, bringing strength to a house and sweetness to labor; may He hallow their work and direct their ways.

C: God be praised for good fathers and mothers.

P: For the gift of children: may He help us to train them to be reverent and truthful, that they may gladden our hearts and bring joy to the world.

C: God be praised for our children.

P: For good friends to rejoice with us in our joys, to cheer us in trouble, and to lighten our tasks; may He help us to repay them in fellowship and service.

C: God be praised for our friends.

P: Praise be to God who through His Son Jesus has invited us to call Him Father., and thus has made us brothers and sisters of the Savior, united in faith and love, both now and forevermore.

C: Praise be to god, both now and forevermore.

LORD'S PRAYER

**C: Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed by Thy name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & BLESSING OF THE BREAD

Please pick up a loaf of bread when returning to your pew after Communion

DISTRIBUTION SONG ONE: THE MAN IS EVER BLESSED

LSB 705

**The man is ever blessed
Who shuns the sinners' ways,
Among their counsels never stands,
Nor takes the scorn's place,**

**But makes the Law of God
His study and delight
Amid the labors of the day
And watches of the night.**

**He like a tree shall thrive,
With waters near the root;
Fresh as the leaf his name shall live,
His works are heav'nly fruit.**

Not so the wicked race,
They no such blessings find;
Their hopes shall flee like empty chaff
Before the driving wind.

How will they bear to stand
Before the judgment seat
Where all the saints at Christ's right hand
In full assembly meet?

He knows and He approves
The way the righteous go;
But sinners and their works shall meet
A dreadful overthrow.

DISTRIBUTION SONG TWO (AS NEEDED): LORD JESUS CHRIST, BE PRESENT NOW LSB 902

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now;
Our hearts in true devotion bow.
Your Spirit send with light divine,
And let Your truth within us shine.

Unseal our lips to sing Your praise
In endless hymns through all our days.
Increase our faith and light our minds;
And set us free from doubt that blinds.

Then shall we join the hosts that cry,
"O holy, holy Lord Most High!"
And in the light of that blest place
We then shall see You face to face.

All glory to the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise throughout eternity!

A PARTING BLESSING

FROM PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9

P: My brothers and sisters, fill your minds with those things that are good and that deserve praise; things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and honorable. Don't worry about anything, but in all your prayers ask God for what you need, always asking Him with a

thankful heart. And God's peace, which is far beyond human understanding, will keep your hearts and minds safe in union with Christ Jesus.

C: To our God and Father be the glory forever and ever! Amen!

CLOSING HYMN: MY COUNTRY TIS OF THEE VERSES 1 & 4

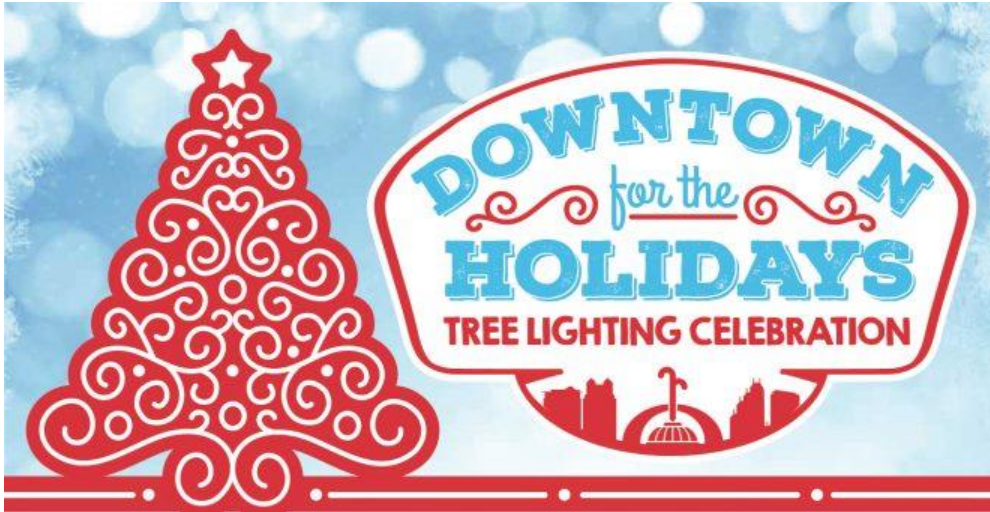
My country tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;
land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride,
from every mountainside let freedom ring!

Our fathers' God, to thee,
author of liberty, to thee we sing;
long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

HAVE A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING
GOD BLESS YOU



Upcoming Events



**JOIN US @ LAKE EOLA
ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST
FOR ORLANDO'S CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING!**

This free event from 5-8pm includes vendors, food trucks, musical groups, and Orlando's Christmas tree lighting at 7pm. TLS Students will be singing at 5:10-5:40pm! The Trinity family is also invited to serve at Trinity's vendor booths which includes hot cocoa & bake sale, interactive ornament construction and an interactive photo booth. To volunteer please contact TLC@TrinityDowntown.com

YOU'RE INVITED!

Advent Worship

ADVENT WORSHIP: SHORT DEVOTIONAL SERVICES
FOR THE ADVENT SEASON. WEDNESDAYS; DEC 6,
13 AND 20 AT 12:10-12:50PM AND 7:00PM

The Longest Night

PART OF OUR ADVENT SERIES, DEC 20 AT 7:00PM
WILL BE THE SERVICE OF THE LONGEST NIGHT.
THIS IS A HOLIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHO ARE STRUGGLING
WITH DEPRESSION, LOSS OR GRIEF DURING THE
HOLIDAY SEASON.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING WORSHIP AT
10AM, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM AT 3PM ,
CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION WORSHIP AT
5PM, 7PM, 9PM AND 11PM. CHRISTMAS DAY
WORSHIP: DEC 25 AT 10AM

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