



Thanksgiving Worship Service
November 24, 2022

Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here! Please fill out a welcome card (found in the pew rack) and place it in the offering basket. We look forward to connecting with you. Also, please join us for coffee after church so we can meet you!

God Calls Us Into Worship

Prelude: “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”
“Now Thank We All Our God”

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arr Virgil Fox

***Call to Worship:**

Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

***Opening Hymn:** “Let All Things Now Living”

LUYH 5

***Opening Song:** “Give Thanks”

LUYH 358

***God’s Greeting & Mutual Greeting**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

We are Reconciled with God

The Great Litany

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,
Have mercy upon us.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,
Have mercy upon us.

Remember not, Lord Jesus, our offenses; neither reward us according to our sins.
Spare us, good Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed with your most
precious blood, and by your mercy preserve us forever.
Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and wickedness; from sin, from the works and assaults of the devil;
from your wrath and everlasting condemnation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;
from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all lack of charity,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all disordered and sinful affections; and from all
the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart,
and contempt of your Word and commandments,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood;
from plague, pestilence, and famine,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence,
battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your holy nativity and submission to the Law; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By your agony and bloody sweat; by your Cross and passion;
by your precious death and burial,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By your glorious resurrection and ascension; by the sending of the Holy Spirit;
by your heavenly intercession; and by your coming again in power and great glory,
Good Lord, deliver us.

In all times of tribulation; in all times of prosperity;
in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,
Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners ask you to hear us, O Lord God: That it may please
you to rule and govern your holy Church universal in the right way,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To illumine all Pastors, Elders and Deacons, with true knowledge
and understanding of your Word; and that, both by their preaching
and living, they may show it accordingly,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To send forth laborers into your harvest; to prosper their work
by your Holy Spirit; to make your saving health known unto all nations;
and to hasten the coming of your kingdom,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To give all your people increase of grace to hear your Word with humility,
to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To give us a heart to love and fear you, and diligently to keep your commandments,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To bless and keep all your people,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to rule the hearts of your servant Joe Biden,
the President, and all others in authority, that they may do justice,
and show mercy, and walk humbly before you,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To bless and guide all judges, giving them grace to execute justice,
and to maintain truth,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To bless and keep our armed forces by sea, and land, and air,
and to shield them in all dangers and adversities,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To bless and protect all who serve their communities by their labor and learning,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To give and preserve for us and for others the bountiful fruits
of the earth, so that at the harvest we all may enjoy them,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To make wars to cease in all the world, and to give to
all nations unity, peace, and concord,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to show mercy on all prisoners and captives;
refugees, the homeless, and the hungry; and all those
who are desolate and oppressed,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To preserve all who are in danger by reason of their work or travel,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To strengthen the bonds of all those married; to uphold the widowed
and abandoned; and to comfort all whose homes are torn by strife,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To protect the unborn and their parents, and to preserve all women in childbirth;
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To care for those who have lost children or face infertility,
and to provide for young children and orphans,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To visit the lonely and those who grieve; to strengthen all who suffer in mind,
body, or spirit; and to comfort with your presence those who are failing and infirm,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To support, help, and deliver all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To have mercy upon all people,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sin,
negligence, and ignorance; and to endue us with the grace of your Holy Spirit
to amend our lives according to your holy Word,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To strengthen those who stand; to encourage the faint-hearted;
to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

To grant that, in the fellowship of Second CRC all the saints,
we may attain to your heavenly kingdom,
We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we ask you to hear us.
Son of God, we ask you to hear us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us your peace.

O Christ, hear us.
O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

O Lord, show us your love and mercy;
For we have put our trust in you.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in the Name of your Son: Mercifully incline your ear to us who have made our prayers and supplications to you; And grant that what we have asked faithfully, according to your will, we may obtain effectually, for the relief of our necessities and the setting forth of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God Speaks to Us

Scripture Reading: Genesis 49:29-50:26

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: What if it takes time to connect the dots?

Pastor Tim Blackmon

Prayer

***Hymn of Response:** “All Must Be Well”

Matthew Smith

We Respond to God

Announcements

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce;
then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Proverbs 3:9-10

Offering: World Renew, Love in Action, Grand Haven Christian, Western Michigan Christian

Offertory: “Rejoice in All Your Works”

Kimbrough

God Sends Us to Serve in His Light and Love

***Sending Song:** “Now Thank We All Our God”

LUYH 543

***Benediction**

Postlude: “Now Thank We”

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Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- Participants:
 - Rev. Tim Blackmon, preacher
 - Julie Hordyk, pianist
 - Cathy Schaaf, organist
 - Amy Goorman, Curt DeJongh, praise team
 - Jeff Erickson, Paul LaMaire, Chris Hordyk, Jason Zuidema, Dennis Schaaf; Brass Ensemble
 - Amy Goorman, scripture reading
- Great Litany: *Book of Common Prayer*
- We display all music and congregational readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) and SNC (green) are located in the pew rack; CH (brown) is located under the seat. Large print bulletins are available in the narthex. OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#775073.