



*Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him,
bless his name.*

Psalm 100:4

A Service of Thanksgiving

November 24, 2020

7:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Oregon City
Oregon City United Methodist Church
Prince of Life Lutheran Church
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Zion Lutheran Church

Welcome to worship on this week of Thanksgiving!

**Congregational response is in bold
and marked with a C.**

Pre-service hymn sing

“Let All Things Now Living”

1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished
As forward we travel from light into light.

2. God rules all the forces, the stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!" Amen.

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“Take My Life That I May Be”

Refrain:

Take my life that I may be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in endless praise.

1. Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

2. Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use
Every pow’r as Thou shalt choose.

3. Take my voice and let me sing,
Always, only for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.

4. Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

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Welcome Pastor John Stevens, Zion Lutheran

Call to Worship: Come and Give Thanks!

–Pastor Mike Benischek, OC United Methodist

L: In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

C: We recognize God as the source of all goodness.

L: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

C: Love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.

L: We come with grateful hearts, not for things,
but for who God is.

**C: We gather to show our gratitude
in song and prayer.**

L: For all that was.

C: For all that is.

L: For all that will be.

C: We give Thee thanks, loving God.

L: For all that were.

C: For all here now.

L: For those who are yet to be.

C: We give Thee thanks, loving God. Amen.

Gathering “Praise and Thanksgiving”

1. Praise and thanksgiving, God we would offer
For all things living, you have made good:
Harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
Hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

2. God bless the labor we bring to serve you,
That with our neighbor we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, we would work with you,
Harvesting, milling for daily bread.

3. Father, providing food for your children,
By Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
One with another, so that rejoicing
With us, all others may know your care.

4. Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people,
Freely confessing your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger;
Your love sustaining showers the land.

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Prayer of the Day -Pastor John Reutter-Harrah

L: Creator God, 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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

-Reader from St. Paul's Episcopal Church

⁷For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. ¹⁰You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

¹¹Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. ¹²When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, ¹³and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, ¹⁴then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, ¹⁵who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, ¹⁶and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. ¹⁷Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' ¹⁸But

remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65

Led by Father Shawn Dickerson, St. Paul's Episcopal

- ¹ Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;
and to you shall vows be performed,
- ² To you, the one who answers prayer,
to you all flesh shall come.
- ³ Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you blot out our transgressions.
- ⁴ Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there.
**They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
and by the holiness of your holy temple.**
- ⁵ Awesome deeds you will show us in your righteousness
O God of our salvation;
**O hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the oceans far away.**
- ⁶ You make firm the mountains by your power,
you are girded about with might
- ⁷ You still the roaring of the seas,
**the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.**
- ⁸ Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvelous signs;
You make the dawn and the dust to sing for joy
- ⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water
**You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth**

¹⁰ You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
**with the heavy rain you soften the ground
and bless its increase.**

¹¹ You crown the year with your goodness
and your paths over-flow with plenty.

¹² May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing
and the hills be clothed with joy.

¹³ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak them-selves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing.

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

A reader from First Baptist of Oregon City

⁶ The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And 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. ⁹As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

¹⁰He 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. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

L Word of God. Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter, beginning with the eleventh verse.

C Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

L The Gospel of the Lord!

C Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor John Withum,
First Baptist Church Oregon City

Hymn **"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the God of Creation!
My heart is longing to offer up sweet adoration.
Melody make; dulcimer, harp, now awake.
Sound forth your praise, ev'ry nation.

2. Praise the Almighty,
O'er all life so wondrously reigning
And as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining
Have you not seen? All that is needful has been.
Sent by God's gracious ordaining.

3. Praise the Almighty,
Who prospers your work and defends you;
See from the heavens
The showers of mercy God sends you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do;
Infinite Love here befriends you.

4. Praise the Almighty! In wonder my spirit is soaring!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises
outpouring.
Let the amen sound from God's people again,
Gladly forever adoring.

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Sharing the Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you all.

C And also with you.

Offering "We Are An Offering"

We lift our voices,
We lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you:
We are an offering.
Lord, use our voices,
Lord, use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours:
We are an offering.
All that we have,
All that we are,
All that we hope to be,
We give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices,
We lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you:

We are an offering, we are an offering.

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There is a link in the chat box if you'd like to give to HOPE
(Helping Other People Eat). There is also an address to
send a check at the end of the bulletin.

Prayers of the People Dez Valdez
Youth Ministry Coordinator, Prince of Life

Lord's Prayer from New Zealand (*in unison*)

All **Eternal Spirit,**
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of
the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

Sending Blessing -Pastor John Reutter-Harrah

Sending Song

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

1. For the fruit of all creation,
Thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
Thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping
Silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth's safekeeping,
Thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done
In our world-wide task of caring
For the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing,
God's will be done.

3. For the harvests of the Spirit,
Thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
Thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us,
Thanks be to God.

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Dismissal

Postlude

Tonight's offering goes to **H.O.P.E.** (**H**elping **O**ther **P**eople **E**at). HOPE is the Oregon City food pantry located in five local congregations. There will be a link to give in the chat box. You may also send a check to HOPE Oregon City, P.O. Box 1005, Oregon City, OR 97045

Please join us after the service for conversation in Breakout Rooms. Feel free to grab a cup of coffee and dessert from your kitchen!

SERVING TODAY

Participating Pastors:

The Rev. John Withum (First Baptist Church of Oregon City)

The Rev. John Stevens (Zion Lutheran)

The Rev. Shawn Dickerson (St. Paul's Episcopal Church)

The Rev. Mike Benischek (OC United Methodist)

The Rev. John Reutter-Harrah (Prince of Life Lutheran Church)

Musician: Karl Gustafson, Zion Lutheran

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