

Ecumenical Service of Thanksgiving

November 21, 2021 ~ 7:00 P.M.

Welcome to All Visitors, Members, Family and Friends!

** Please feel free to rise in body or spirit
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Prelude

Just Think of His Goodness

Welcome

Call to Worship

In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

We recognize God as the source of all goodness.

All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.

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

We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.

Praise Song

Give Thanks TFWS#2036

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.

Psalter: Psalm 126 UMH 847

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;

then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb!

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy!

Those who go forth weeping, bearing the seed for sowing. **shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 6:25-33

Reflection: "What are We Thankful For?"

***Hymn**

Thank you Lord

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Confession

For the times that we behaved irresponsibly towards your gifts of creation:

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

For the times that we have ignored the spiritual and material needs of those who are not so fortunate as ourselves:

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

For the times that we have failed to proclaim your gospel through indifference, selfishness or bad example:

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

May Almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

(Time of Silence Confession and Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

God did not send Christ into the world to condemn the world, but to be its Savior.

We can trust God's word. We are a forgiven people.

All: Thanks be to God!

***Praise Song**

Count Your Blessings

Benediction

***Postlude**

May the Lord Bless You Real Good

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Thank you.

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