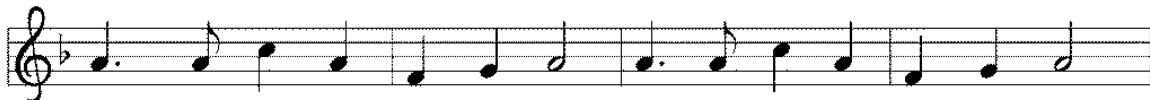


# Thanksgiving Day

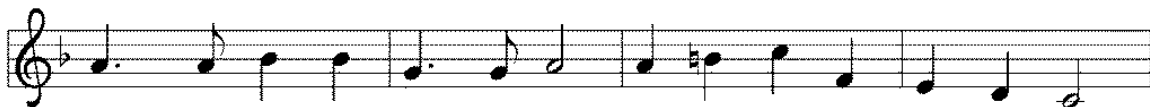


**PRELUDE** .....“Praise and Thanksgiving,” Jeffrey Blerch

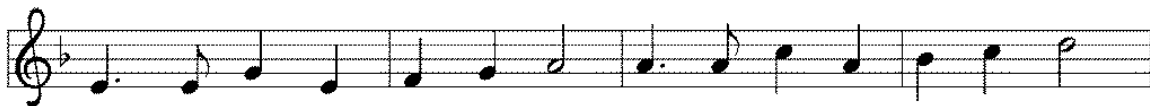
OPENING HYMN ..... “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come,”  
 #693 Stanzas 1, 4



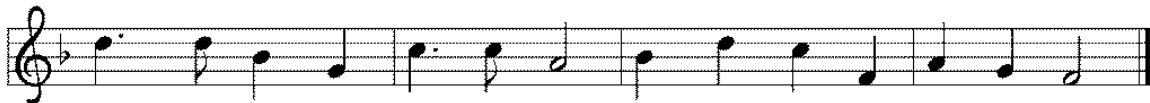
1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;  
 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;  
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.  
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.  
 from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;  
 Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.  
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.  
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.  
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

## INVOCATION

☩ In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☩ Amen.

## LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

☩ Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea, and for all its bounty.

☩ We thank you, Lord.

☩ For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

☩ We thank you, Lord.

☩ For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, our friends, neighbors, and those who protect us,

☩ We thank you, Lord.

☩ For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

☩ We thank you, Lord.

☩ For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

**☪ We thank you, Lord.**

**☒** For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

**☪ We thank you, Lord.**

**☒** For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

**☪ We thank you, Lord.**

**☒** For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

**☪ We thank you, Lord.**

**☒** Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

**☪ To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE

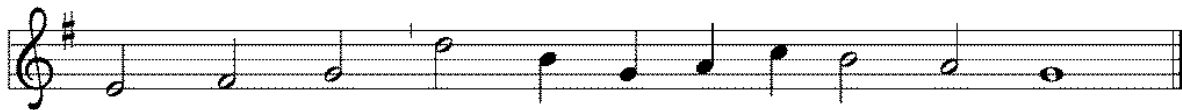
## “All People that on Earth Do Dwell,” #883 *stanzas 1-3*



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the  
2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our  
3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with  
4 For why? The Lord our God is good: his mer - cy  
5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his  
aid he did us make. We are his folk, he  
joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his  
is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times  
heav'n and earth a - dore, from us and from the



praise forth tell; come ye be - fore him and re - jice.  
doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.  
an - gel host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

- L** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. What does this mean?
- C** I believe that God has created me and all that exists. He has given me and still preserves my body and soul with all their powers. He provides me with food and clothing, home and family, daily work, and all I need from day to day. God also protects me in time of danger and guards me from every evil. All this he does out of fatherly and divine goodness and mercy, though I do not deserve it. Therefore I surely ought to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Almighty God our Father, 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 your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C** Amen.

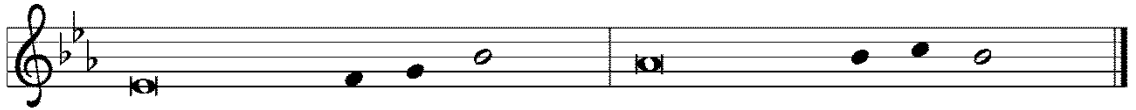
**FIRST READING.....Deuteronomy 8:7-18**

<sup>7</sup>For 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, <sup>8</sup>a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup>a 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. <sup>10</sup>You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

<sup>11</sup>Take 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. <sup>12</sup>When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup>and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup>then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup>who 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, <sup>16</sup>and 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. <sup>17</sup>Do not say to yourself, “My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.” <sup>18</sup>But 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.

**PSALM**..... 65:5-13



**<sup>8</sup>Those who dwell at the ends of the earth  
will tremble at your | marvelous signs;  
you make the dawn and the dusk to | sing for joy.**

**<sup>9</sup>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.**

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

**<sup>11</sup>You crown the year | with your goodness,  
and your paths over- | flow with plenty.**

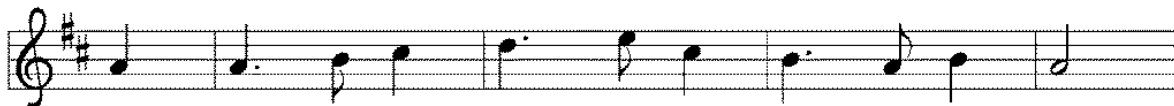
**<sup>12</sup>May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,  
and the hills be | clothed with joy.**



# GOSPEL HYMN.....“We Praise You O God,” #879, stanza 1



1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;  
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;  
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.  
and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;  
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,  
With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.  
and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.  
To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

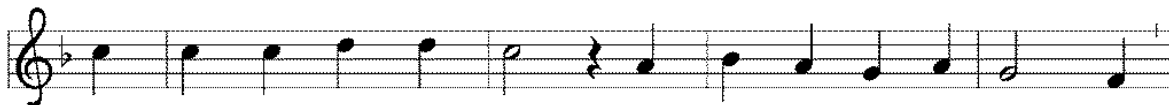
**GOSPEL** ..... Luke 17:11-19

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

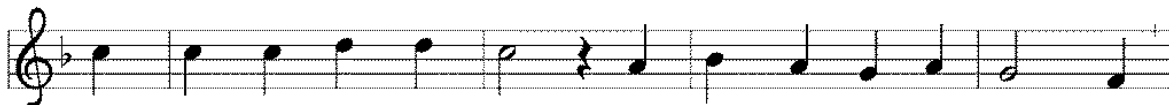
*Silence for meditation.*

**SERMON**

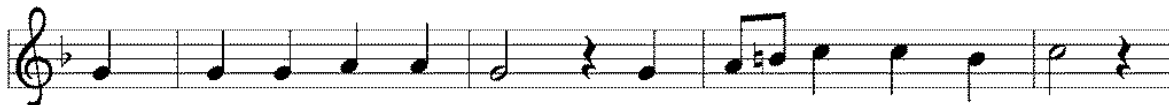
**HYMN OF THE DAY.....** “Now Thank We All Our God,”  
#840



1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,  
2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,



who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way  
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

**OFFERING** “Sing to the Lord of Harvest,” Lynette Maynard

*Use this moment to remember things you are grateful for at home  
and to offer God your thanks*

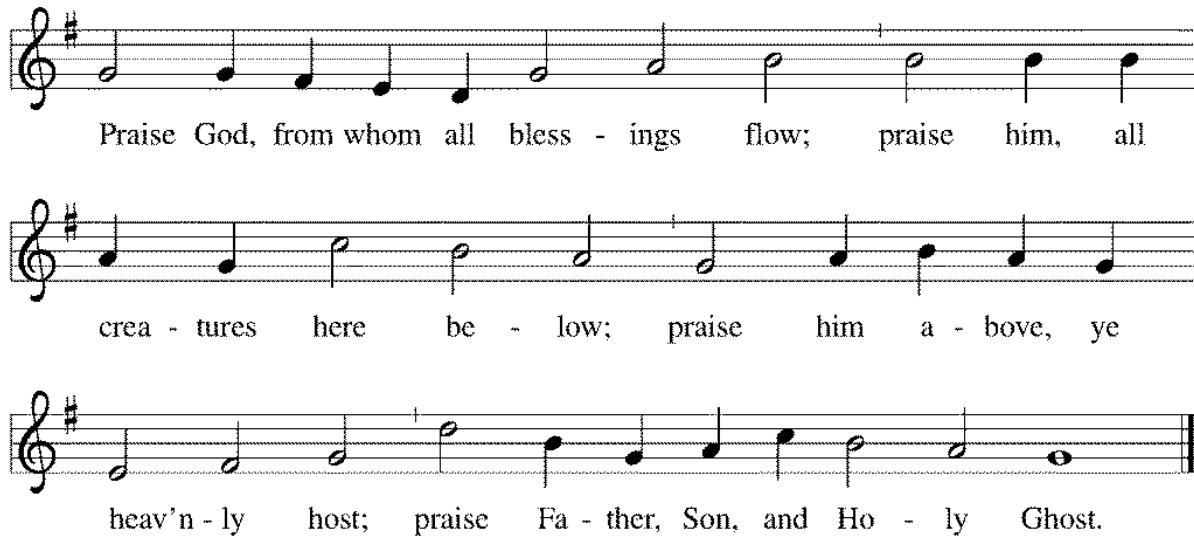
## **THE PRAYERS**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**☞ Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN** ..... “Praise God,  
from Whom All Blessings Flow,” #884



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**POSTLUDE** “Now Thank We All Our God,” David Johnson