



# Thanksgiving

WORSHIP SERVICE

**November 25, 2020**

**6:00 PM**

**The American Lutheran Church**

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***5:30 pm Saturday Chapel Worship***

***9:00 am Sunday Worship***

***5:45 pm Wednesday Worship***

**Pastors Sarah Tadé & Adam Roberts**

***Ministers: Everyone***

## WELCOME!

### WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY

*If you are new to us or visiting from another church, please email our ALC office if you would like more information on our Church or would like to know how to join. We'd love to be in touch with you.*

*AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDING may be in progress during church services /events. Audio, video, and/or photos of the services/events may be posted or aired online for public viewing.*

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GATHERING MUSIC

Sarah Tailowright, Pianist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN **"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"**

(vs 1, 2 &4)

ELW #693

- 1 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.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield; wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown. First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear. Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home. Gather then 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!

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.Music:George J. Elvey, 1816-1893. Public Domain.

LITANY FOR THANKSGIVING, 2020

**Mel:** Many were lonely, but others sent cards.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Jane:** We couldn't meet in person, but YouTube, Facebook and ZOOM kept us connected.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Mel:** The Medical Community ran tests, taught us how to stay safe, cared for the sick, and saved lives.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Jane:** Helping Hands distributed food. The Sharing Center and Meals on Wheels kept people fed.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Mel:** Our government provided economic relief to individuals, businesses and even our church.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Jane:** Our farmers had a good harvest with excellent yields and strong commodity prices.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Mel:** Our community remained strong, with people helping people.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Jane:** Our school found new ways to teach, both in person and on-line.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever.**

**Mel:** We hung tight to our faith in God who is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble.

**ALL: Give thanks to the Lord. God's goodness endures forever!**

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Gracious 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 your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

"GRATITUDE IN A PANDEMIC"

Melanie Shamp

VIDEO

"Growing closer to God"

David Koep

SONG

"Have You Thanked the Lord?"

(v 1)

ELW #829

(Chorus)

Have you thanked the Lord? Have you praised God's name?  
Don't you know that no tomorrow is quite the same? Have you  
thanked the Lord? Have you knelt in prayer, and rejoiced that,  
rain or sunshine, our God is there?

- 1 Hallelujah! Thank the Lord for sun, sand, and sea, ev'ry star at  
night that shines for you and me. Blessings so many come our  
way: have you thanked the Lord today? Refrain

“GRATITUDE IN A PANDEMIC” Jane Cartwright

VIDEO “*Meals on Wheels*” Allen Peterson

SONG “***Have You Thanked the Lord?***” (v 2) ELW #829

- 2 Hallelujah! Paradise we taste where we are; summer breezes,  
winter warmth are never far. God's love is ever on display:  
have you thanked the Lord today? Refrain

*(Refrain)*

Have you thanked the Lord? Have you praised God's name?  
Don't you know that no tomorrow is quite the same? Have you  
thanked the Lord? Have you knelt in prayer, and rejoiced that,  
rain or sunshine, our God is there

“GRATITUDE IN A PANDEMIC” Melanie Shamp

VIDEO “*GLOW Scripture Survival Kits*” Jean Johnson

SONG “***Have You Thanked the Lord?***” (v 3) ELW #829

- 3 Hallelujah! Joy and peace the Savior will bring. Grace amazing!  
So we lift our voice and sing, grateful when clouds are bright or  
gray: have you thanked the Lord today? *Refrain*

*(Refrain)*

Have you thanked the Lord? Have you praised God's name?  
Don't you know that no tomorrow is quite the same? Have you  
thanked the Lord? Have you knelt in prayer, and rejoiced that,  
rain or sunshine, our God is there?

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Chronicles 16: 1-3, 7-17, 23-24, 31-36

Reader: Carolyn Boomgarden

1 They brought in the ark of God, and set it inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and they offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before God. 2 When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord; 3 and he distributed to every person in Israel—man and woman alike—to each a loaf of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. 7 Then on that day David first appointed the singing of praises to the Lord by Asaph and his kindred. 8 O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. 9 Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works. 10 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. 11 Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his presence continually. 12 Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, 13 O offspring of his servant Israel, [b] children of Jacob, his chosen ones. 14 He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth. 15 Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, 16 the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, 17 which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, 23 Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day. 24 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. 31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, “The Lord is king!” 32 Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it. 33 Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. 34 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. 35 Say also: “Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and rescue us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise. 36 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.” Then all the people said “Amen!” and praised the Lord.

## The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON Melaine Shamp, Christian Ed Coordinator

PICTURES OF BAM STUDENTS

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY ***"Now Thank We All Our God"*** ELW #840

- 1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way with  
countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
- 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, and keep  
us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from  
all harm in this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son,  
and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven, the one eternal  
God, whom earth and heav'n adore; for thus it was, is now, and  
shall be evermore.

"Now Thank We All Our God" Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878 Public Domain.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

*We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God's love. Offerings may be dropped off in the offering box located in the entryway of the church parking lot doors or mailed to PO Box 188, Windom. You may also visit our website [www.alcofwindom.com](http://www.alcofwindom.com) and check out electronic/on-line giving by clicking on our GIVE TAB found in the top menu bar. Thank you in advance for your contributions!*

OFFERING PRAYER

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: Ourselves, our**

time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SONG

***“Give Thanks”***

ALC #15

*(Verse)*

Give thanks with a grateful heart Give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son

*(Chorus)*

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 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

*(Ending)*

Give thanks

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LORD'S PRAYER

ELW p. 112

**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 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.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN ***“Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow”***

ELW #885

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

"Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, alt.Public Domain.

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

**We will! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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**The church office will be closed Friday, November 27th**

**Next Week's Noisy Offering** is designated to the Helping Hands fund. You may drop off your spare change in the can located in the entryway of the parking lot doors. Thank you for your contribution!

**HELP WANTED:** The American Lutheran Church of Windom is seeking a part-time custodian to care for and maintain the church building. This position will not exceed 20 hours per week and may include some evenings and weekend hours. An application form is available in the church office or visit: [www.alcofwindom.com](http://www.alcofwindom.com). Applications are still being accepted.

**FEELING ALONE?** You are not the only one!! Quarantine is not fun and isolation doesn't help anybody's spirits. It is just the time we are in. Call a friend, reach out to others, and pray for God is near. Your church staff is also here for you. Don't hesitate to call or reach out!

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Kids please keep an eye out on Snapchat for Zoom check in meetings! Also, Jr. League will be over Zoom on December 6th at 6:30 PM. We'll be playing Christmas Kahoot!