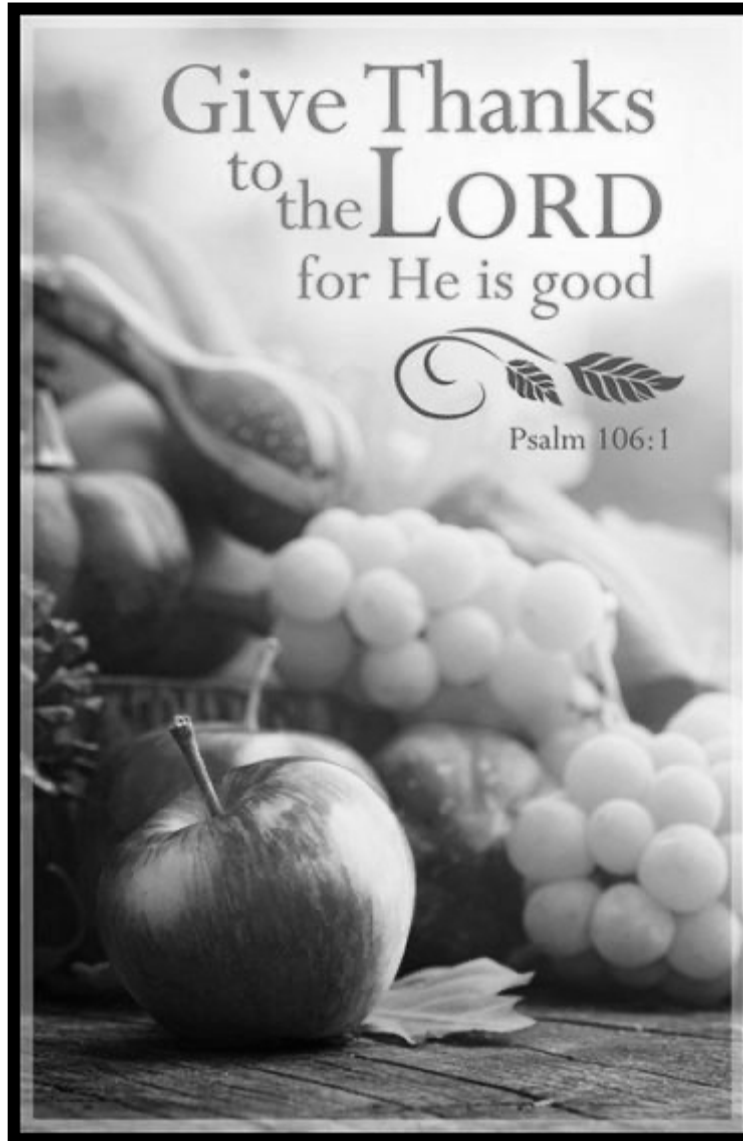


St. John's Lutheran Church
Thanksgiving Eve Service



Wednesday November 26, 2025, 7:00pm

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

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* = Please stand as you are able

Organ Prelude –

Lighting of Candles: Acolyte –

Opening Prayer

***The Opening Hymn –**

Come, You Thankful People Come (HCL#573)

***Call to Worship –** —*based on Psalm 147; 2 Peter 1:2*

Leader: Our help is in the name of our God, who made heaven and earth.

People: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving. Make music upon the harp.

Leader: How good it is to celebrate God's presence and sing praise throughout each day!

People: How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!

Leader: Our God rebuilds the people of earth. The wandering ones are gathered together, the brokenhearted are healed, the hungry are fed, the prisoners are freed, the blind are given sight, the lonely are befriended.

People: How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!

Leader: All of nature sings aloud the goodness of God— clouds, rain, grass, creatures great and small. Our God creates and sustains our world with his ever-growing, never-ending love.

People: How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!

Leader: Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

All: Amen

Offertory

***Offertory Response**

The Doxology

*** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Liturgy of the Word – Drew Baker

Today's Old Testament Lesson comes from the book of Psalms

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. 2 Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

3 Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Today's New Testament Lesson comes from the book of Philippians

Philippians 4:4-9

4 Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. 5 Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. 6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. 7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. 9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

***Choir Anthem—**

Give Thanks with Now Thank We All Our God

***L:**The Holy Gospel according to John

***C:** Glory to you, **O Lord**

John 6:25-35

King James Version

25 And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when camest thou hither? 26 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. 27 Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed. 28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? 29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent. 30 They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work? 31 Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. 32 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. 34 Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. 35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, **O Christ**

Message –

The Work of God (Rev. Ernie Walls)

***Hymn –**

We Gather Together (HCL#572)

***Prayers of the People**

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Provision in the Past

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Provision in the Present

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Promised Provision in the Future

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Hymn –**

Bringing in the Sheaves (HCL#473)

***Benediction—**

The Dismissal from Worship on the Bells

****Extinguishing of Candles – Go with thanksgiving on your hearts and Be THE CHURCH!***

Organ Postlude