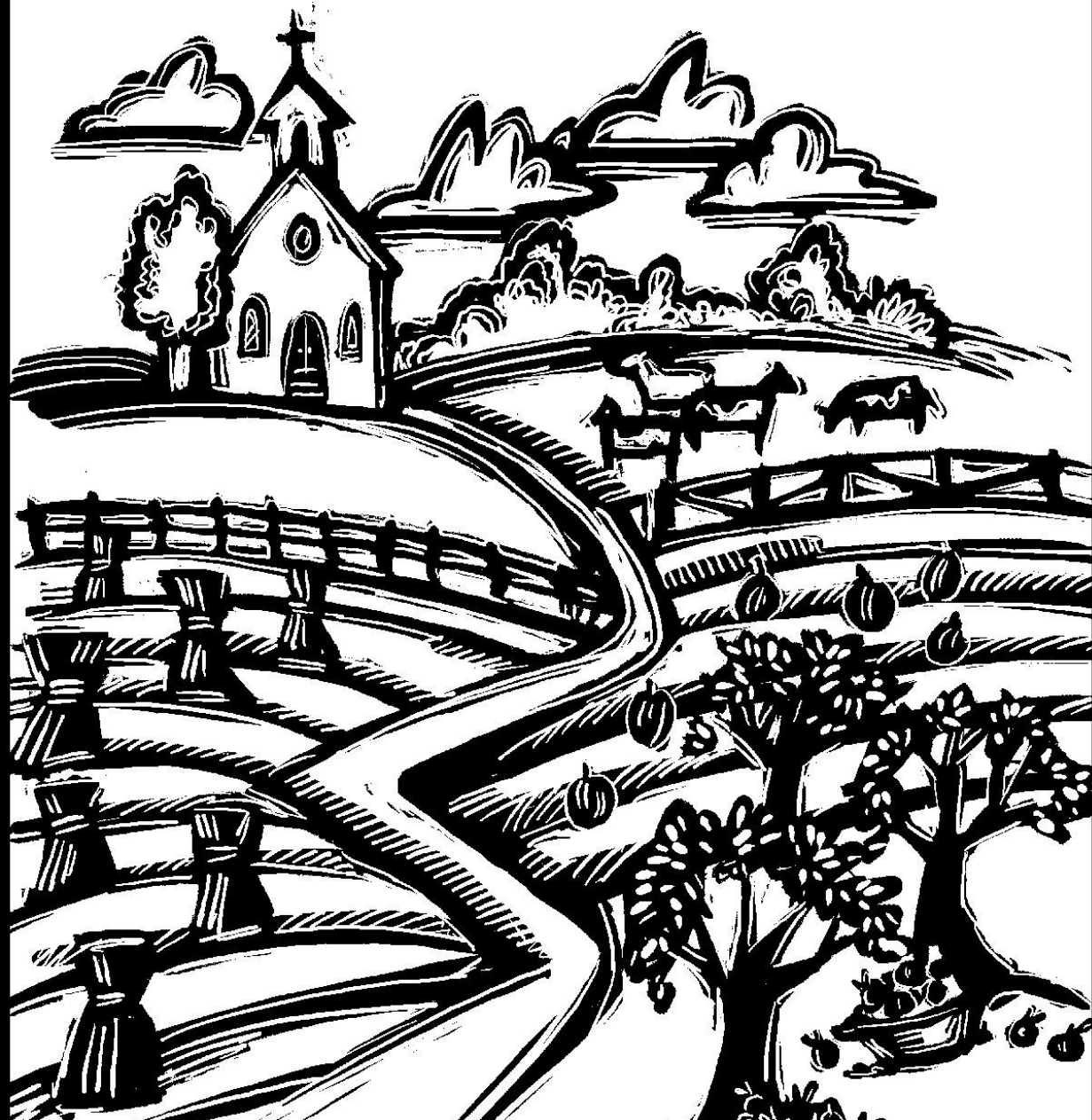


*For everything created by God is good, and
nothing is to be rejected,
provided it is received with thanksgiving ...*



Theme Verse

Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Psalm 145:2

Invocation

P We begin in the name of the Father.

C We praise you for creating us.

P In the name of the Son.

C We praise you for redeeming us.

P And in the name of the Holy Spirit.

C We praise you for enlightening us. Amen.

We Praise You, O God

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- 1 We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.
- 2 We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o’ertake us, You will not forsake us,
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.
- 3 With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

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Psalm

Psalm 150;

- P** Praise the Lord!
- C** **Praise God in his sanctuary;**

- P** praise him in his mighty heavens!
- C** **Praise him for his mighty deeds;**

- P** praise him according to his excellent greatness!
- C** **Praise him with trumpet sound;**

- P** praise him with lute and harp!
- C** **Praise him with tambourine and dance;**

- P** praise him with strings and pipe!
- C** **Praise him with sounding cymbals;**

- P** praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
- C** **Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!**

Confession and Forgiveness

- P** O God, you are truly worthy of praise.
- C** **But we so often fail to give you praise as we ought to or we take your many gifts for granted. Help us to be ever grateful for your goodness to us. Allow us to see that we are not worthy of any good thing because of our sin. Open our mouths to confess our disobedience toward you and our neglect of your graciousness. Show us the magnitude of your love for us, though we do not deserve it.**

(Please observe a time of self-examination to reflect on our sins.)

- P** In accordance with your confession, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Let us respond with lives of praise and thanksgiving to you. For we are now righteous in your sight, O Lord. Amen.**

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

LSB 811 sts. 1–2, 4–5

- 1 Oh, that I had a thousand voices
To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,
Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be,
What great things God has done for me.

- 2 O all you pow’rs that He implanted,
Arise, keep silence now no more;
Put forth the strength that God has granted!
Your noblest work is to adore.
O soul and body, join to raise
With heartfelt joy our Maker’s praise.

- 4 All creatures that have breath and motion,
That throng the earth, the sea, the sky,
Come, share with me my heart’s devotion,
Help me to sing God’s praises high.
My utmost pow’rs can never quite
Declare the wonders of His might.

- 5 Creator, humbly I implore You
To listen to my earthly song
Until that day when I adore You,
Together with the angel throng
And learn with choirs of heav’n to sing
Eternal anthems to my King.

Prayer of the Day

P Our hearts are full of praise this Thanksgiving, O Lord. We have so much to be thankful for. Help us to remember to give you praise all our days for every blessing that we have because of you. May our lives be expressions of our gratitude to you in all we say and do. And may our example encourage others to be people of praise as well. Amen.

Reading

Exodus 15:1–20

The Song of Moses

¹Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying,
“I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.
²The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation;
this is my God, and I will praise him,
my father’s God, and I will exalt him.
³The LORD is a man of war;
the LORD is his name.
⁴“Pharaoh’s chariots and his host he cast into the sea,
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.
⁵The floods covered them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.
⁶Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
⁷In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries;
you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble.
⁸At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up;
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.
⁹The enemy said, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake,

I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.
I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.’
¹⁰You blew with your wind; the sea covered them;
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.
¹¹“Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?
¹²You stretched out your right hand;
the earth swallowed them.
¹³“You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.
¹⁴The peoples have heard; they tremble;
pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia.
¹⁵Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed;
trembling seizes the leaders of Moab;
all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.
¹⁶Terror and dread fall upon them;
because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone,
till your people, O LORD, pass by,
till the people pass by whom you have purchased.
¹⁷You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,
the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,
the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.
¹⁸The LORD will reign forever and ever.”
¹⁹For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the LORD brought back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground in the midst of the sea. ²⁰Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

LSB 791 st. 1

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

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Reading

1 Samuel 2:1–10

Hannah’s Prayer

¹And Hannah prayed and said,
“My heart exults in the LORD;
my strength is exalted in the LORD.
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in your salvation.
²“There is none holy like the LORD;
there is none besides you;
there is no rock like our God.
³Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.
⁴The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble bind on strength.
⁵Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry have ceased to hunger.
The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.
⁶The LORD kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.
⁷The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low and he exalts.
⁸He raises up the poor from the dust;

he lifts the needy from the ash heap
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are the LORD’s,
and on them he has set the world.
⁹“He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness,
for not by might shall a man prevail.
¹⁰The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces;
against them he will thunder in heaven.
The LORD will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king
and exalt the power of his anointed.”

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

LSB 791 st. 2

2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

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Reading

2 Samuel 6:12–15

¹²And it was told King David, “The LORD has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.” So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing. ¹³And when those who bore the ark of the LORD had gone six steps, he sacrificed an ox and a fattened animal. ¹⁴And David danced before the LORD with all his might. And David was wearing a linen ephod. ¹⁵So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting and with the sound of the horn.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

LSB 791 st. 3

3 O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto.
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

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Reading

Luke 1:46–55

The Magnificat

⁴⁶And Mary said,
“My soul magnifies the Lord,
⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
⁴⁸for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.
For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
⁴⁹for he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
⁵⁰And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
⁵¹He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
⁵²he has brought down the mighty from their thrones
and exalted those of humble estate;
⁵³he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent empty away.
⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
⁵⁵as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring forever.”

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

LSB 791 st. 4

4 For why? The Lord our God is good:
His mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure.

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Reading

Acts 16:25–34

The Philippian Jailer Converted

²⁵About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, ²⁶and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone’s bonds were unfastened. ²⁷When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸But Paul cried with a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” ²⁹And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. ³⁰Then he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” ³¹And they said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” ³²And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. ³⁴Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

LSB 791 st. 5

△ 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heav’n and earth adore,
From us and from the angel host
Be praise and glory evermore.

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Reading

Revelation 5:11–13

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!” ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

Sermon - We Praise You, O God

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

LSB 892

- 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.

- 3 For the Lord, our God, shall come
And shall take His harvest home,
From His field shall in that day
All offenses purge away,
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store
In His garner evermore.
- 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come
To Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou 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.

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Offering

Prayer of the Church

- P** Dear Lord, this Thanksgiving, we give you thanks for the people of praise revealed to us in Scripture and stationed around us in our lives today. May our voices join theirs in singing and saying our gratitude to you for your many blessings of body and soul. O good and gracious God,

C we give you praise.
- P** Dear Lord, we thank you for farmers who planted, watered and nurtured crops that we might have a bountiful harvest today. Let us enjoy the fruits of their labors in our Thanksgiving meals with family and friend. May we be nourished and strengthened by the food you provide and the daily bread that sustains us. O good and gracious God,

C we give you praise.

- P** Dear Lord, we glorify you for your protection and care for us. Keep us safe as we travel this season. Watch over those in dangerous situations of any kind, and grant healing, we pray, for those who are sick or injured at home or in the hospital, especially those we name in our hearts now. O good and gracious God,
- C** **we give you praise.**
- P** Dear Lord, we are grateful for the talents and abilities you have given to each of us and to those around us. Help us to utilize these gifts wisely and to your glory. Move us to encourage and support others to express their unique qualities to bring joy or help to people. Allow us to grow and develop in our capabilities to enrich the life of the community. O good and gracious God,
- C** **we give you praise.**
- P** Dear Lord, each day is precious to us, and there are so many amazing aspects of life that we often take for granted. Open our eyes to the marvels of creation, the beauty of relationships, and the plethora of tasks that get completed day after day by your will and design. Bring to mind that you are at the heart of all things and that you supply the world with meaning and hope. O good and gracious God,
- C** **we give you praise.**
- P** Dear Lord, we thank you for this church, this place of praise, and the people of praise who enter here. May our worship, prayer, songs and conversations within these walls energize our spirits and motivate us to spread the Gospel message that we are saved by your Son, Jesus, through his death and resurrection. We look forward to singing your praises in the mansions of heaven one day and forevermore. O good and gracious God,
- C** **we give you praise.**
- P** Amen.

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **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

Ephesians 3:20-21; Numbers 6:24-26

- P** Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance unto you and give you peace.
- C** **Praise be to God! Amen.**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

LSB 803

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
Praising Thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

- 2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.
- △ 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Fountainhead of love divine:
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!
Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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