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Thanksgiving Eve



Soup and Service

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Thanksgiving Eve Service

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Congregational Song



We Gather Together

*We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own*

*Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Whose kingdom calls all to the love which endures
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:
You, Lord, were at our side; all glory be yours!*

*We all do extol you, our leader triumphant,
And pray that you still our defender will be
Let your congregation escape tribulation:
Your name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!*

Call to Confession (1 John 1:8-9)

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

All: *If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

(Now, take a few moments of honesty before God in silent confession)

Prayer of Confession (*All*)

All: Dear Lord Jesus, as we approach your throne, we acknowledge that we have sinned and come short of your glory. We were told to give you thanks in all things, for it is the will of God concerning us. Yet, we have given you little to no thanks for all the blessings you have given us; and, we have taken your goodness and kindness for granted. Please forgive us Lord and have mercy on us. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Give us attitudes of gratitude, and help us to give you all the glory, and honor, and praise, that you rightfully deserve. Thank you for hearing our prayer. In Jesus name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (From Psalms 103:9-13 NKJV)

Leader: He will not always strive with us, nor will He keep His anger forever. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor punished us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward those who fear Him; As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. As a father pities his children, so the LORD pities those who fear Him.

Leader: Receive the good news of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Testimony Anyone?

Let us take a moment to reflect on the past twelve months. I am sure that we have all experienced many things and can say with assurance that if it had not been for the Lord who was on our side, we don't know what we would have done.

Thanksgiving Litany

(Book of Common Worship Pg. 792-793)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord who is good

All: God's love is everlasting

Leader: Come, Let us praise God joyfully

All: Let us come to God with thanksgiving

Leader: For the good world; for things great and small, beautiful and awesome; for seen and unseen splendors;

All: Thank You God

Leader: For human life; for talking and moving and thinking together; for common hopes and hardships shared from birth until our dying;

All: Thank You God

Leader: For work to do and strength to work; for the comradeship of labor; for exchanges of good humor and encouragement;

All: Thank You God

Leader: For marriage: for the mystery and joy of flesh made one; for mutual forgiveness and burdens shared; for secrets kept in love;

All: Thank You God

Leader: For family: for living together and eating together; for family amusement and family pleasures;

All: Thank You God

Leader: For children: for their energy and curiosity; for their brave play and startling frankness; for their sudden sympathies;

All: Thank You God

Leader: For the young; for their high hopes; for their irreverence toward worn-out values; for their search for freedom; for their solemn vows.

All: *Thank You God*

Leader: For growing up and growing old; for wisdom deepened by experience; for rest in leisure; and for time made precious by its passing.

All: *Thank You God*

Leader: For your help in times of doubt and sorrow; for healing our diseases; for preserving us in temptation and danger.

All: *Thank You God*

Leader: For the church into which we have been called; for the good news we receive by Word and Sacrament; for our life together in the Lord

All: *We praise you, God*

Leader: For your Holy Spirit, who guides our steps and brings us gifts of faith and love; who prays in us and prompts our grateful worship

All: *We praise you, God*

Leader: Above all, O God, for your Son Jesus Christ, who lived and died and lives again for our salvation; for our hope in him; and for the joy of serving him.

All: *We thank and praise you, Eternal God, for all your goodness to us*

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

All: *God's love is everlasting*

Congregational Hymn

Let Us Break Bread Together

*Let us break bread together on our knees
Let us break bread together on our knees*

Refrain:

*When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord have mercy on me*

*Let us drink wine together on our knees
Let us drink wine together on our knees [Refrain]*

*Let us praise God together on our knees
Let us praise God together on our knees [Refrain]*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Reading of 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer of Affirmation

Prayer/Blessing of the Food

Thanksgiving Supper Is Served-Please follow the directions of the Deacons)





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