

Happy Thanksgiving



November 27/28, 2024
7:00 p.m./9:00 a.m.

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
1800 W. Maple
Birmingham, Michigan 48009



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Thanksgiving Eve, November 27, 2024 - 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.

Thankfulness

As We Gather

All across our nation, people are pausing to thank God. We will gather around tables filled with good food and many of us will see all we have as the rewards of our labors. The truth is that whether we acknowledge it or not, these things come from God and His lavish love. Faith teaches us to honor God as the source of all we call our own. On this day, we pause to remember God, to remember what He has given us, and to respond with thanksgiving.

Prelude

Rick Helderop, organist

Entrance of the Colors

Brian Buckmaster - Snare Drum

Gathering Hymn

We Gather Together

1. 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.
2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;
Thou, Lord, were at our side, all glory be Thine!
3. We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still our Defender will be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;
Thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

George Washington's Prayer for the United States of America

Almighty God; we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection, that thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States of America at large. And finally that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy and characteristics of The Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech thee, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen. ~George Washington

Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way;
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills, in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven;
The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore!

Thanksgiving Proclamation Delivered by Abraham Lincoln, 1863

Read by Rick Russ

Anthem

Thanksgiving Eve

Thanksgiving - Beck
Chancel Choir

Gospel Reading

Luke 17:11-19

(The Ten Lepers)

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him — and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Sermon Hymn 568

We Praise Thee, O God

1. We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion, our tribute we bring.
We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee,
We bless Thy holy name — glad praises we sing.
2. We worship Thee, God of our fathers, we bless Thee;
Thro' life's storm and tempest our guide hast Thou been;
When perils o'er-take us, escape Thou wilt make us,
And with Thy help, O Lord, our battles we win.

3. With voices united our praises we offer,
To Thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,
To Thee, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.

Sermon

Text: Luke 17:11-19

“Thankfulness”
Rev. Randall J. Schlak

Presentation of Gifts

Voluntary

Thanksgiving Eve

I Will Give Thanks To You - Courtney
Chancel Choir

Thanksgiving Day

Shine Jesus Shine - Kendrick arr. Hayes
Justin Wicker

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Celebration of Our National Heritage

~ The Preamble and Pledge of Allegiance ~

P: We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this constitution for the United States of America.

C: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands: one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Closing Hymn

America the Beautiful (by Materna)

1. O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!
2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern impassioned stress,
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!
3. O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

Recession of the Colors

Benediction

Postlude

Rick Helderop, organist

Sanctuary altar flowers were placed by the Ricelli/Scheidt family. Praises to our Heavenly Father for our family's many blessings. We will have some empty chairs around our table this year, but our hearts are full of gratitude. *Sanctuary lectern flowers* were placed by Bonnie Ernewein in thanksgiving for Gods many blessings to our family.

Altar Guild

Lynn Duerr, Asia Maeder, Mary Ann Perryman, Julie Buechner
Talitha Farah, Kay Scheidt, Barb Button Meier

Ushers

Eve - Steve Ortale, captain; Carter Ortale, Paul Quasarano, Tim Fithian,
John Leonard, Don Jackson, Albert Madlangbayan, Blake Burstein
Day - Mike Grattan, captain; Rick McDonald, Andrew Tafel, Eric Rolf,
Ron LaLone, Bryan Grattan, David Eberly

Acolytes

Eve - Nick Springer and Lucas Ilitch
Day - Crissy and Hannah Bienkowski

Cross Bearers

Eve - Jackson Dean, Josh Olds

American Flag Bearers

Eve - Matthew Warnicke, Mark Leonetti
Day - Lynn Mee Duerr, Christina Mee

Audio and Video Operators

Eve - Jim Endress
Day - Bruce Helmke and David Hardoin

Director of Music

Steve SeGraves

Organist

Rick Helderop

2024 CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00am (Chapel) and 9:00am/10:30am (Sanctuary)

MONDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICES

December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - 7:00pm (Chapel)

December 1: Commemorative Worship Services

100th Anniversary Kick-off Coffee Hour

December 8: Regular Worship - 8:00am

Lessons & Carols - 9:00am and 10:30am

Christmas Bring and Sing - 10:30am

December 15: Regular Worship Services

December 22: Regular Worship - 8:00am

Wonder of Christmas Cantata - 9:00am and 10:30am

December 24: Traditional Christmas Eve

Candlelight and Carols - 10:00am, 4:00pm, 8:00pm

Breakfast with Santa - after 10:00am service

December 29: Regular Worship Services