

WORSHIP SERVICE
November 22, 2020
Last Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

- * God's Greeting
- * We Greet One Another
- * Call to worship

Let us give thanks to the Lord, for he satisfies the thirsty, he fills the hungry with good things, and he heals the afflicted. Let us celebrate his abundantly goodness.

We thank you gracious Father, that you provide for all our needs, for the food on our tables, for the clothes on our bodies, for the beds we sleep in, and for the homes that shelter us. We live in peace knowing that you take our afflictions upon your shoulders and supply all of our needs.

Opening Song: "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" (Words Provided for Reflection)

Sing to the Lord of harvest, Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices Your alleluias raise:
By Him the rolling seasons In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest A joyful song of love.

God makes the clouds drop fatness, The deserts bloom and spring;
The hills leap up in gladness, The valleys laugh and sing:
God fills from his great fullness All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with goodness, With plenty, and with peace.

Heap on His sacred altar The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest, The souls Christ died to save:
Your hearts lay down before Him, When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him Who gave His life for all.

Opening prayer

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Loving God, we gather today, rich in blessing,
somehow believing that we merit the wealth and comforts we enjoy.
Forgive us, our God, for comfortably closing our eyes to the faces of the poor
who stare blankly in our direction. With bellies full of grain and meat,
we offer token gestures to the hungry in our world
and we feel we have done enough. With hands tightly grasping our treasures on earth, we cannot
reach out to our oppressed brothers and sisters.
Forgive us for clinging to our possessions rather than to you.
Unite us with hearts of thanksgiving, so we may work together
to ensure blessings of comfort and food for all.**

God's Assurance (Romans 5:1-2)

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:4-20

Message: "The Third Way Peaceful, Content, Thankful"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

- * Song of Response: "Now Thank We All Our God" *Lift Up Your Hearts #543*

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
to keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

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 heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

- * Blessing
- * Closing Song: "Go Now in Peace" *Lift Up Your Hearts #950*
Go now in peace, go now in peace;
may the love of God surround you everywhere,
everywhere you may go. (Repeat)
- * Postlude
- * Please stand if you are able.

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