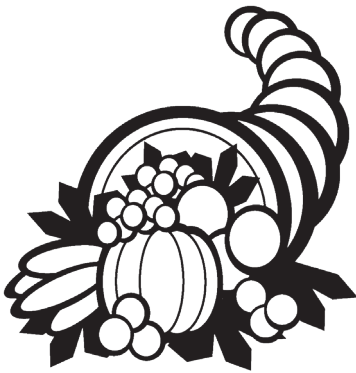


Thanksgiving Day

November 28, 2024 (USA)

Thanksgiving Day (Year B)

God’s love for his children is such that he promises to care for every aspect of human life. He provides the rain for crops, the abundant harvest, and the fulfillment of all our needs. We can trust that our loving Father will not miss any detail of our existence, and for that reason we are commanded not to worry. Worrying is a sign of distrust in the One who created us and all living things in steadfast love.



THIS WEEK’S SCRIPTURE TEXTS

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 8:1-10

The author of Deuteronomy reported that the hardships and trials Israel withstood in the wilderness were God’s way of humbling them and testing them to see what was truly in their hearts. The Lord taught them to trust him by providing for all their needs and gave them his holy Word to sustain them on their way.

Psalm 67

The psalmist sang of God’s blessings — increasing the yield of the fields and guiding their ways. In response, it is good and right to sing God’s praises so that the whole world can hear the joy of God’s people.

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:6-10

St. Paul wrote to the church in Philippi, encouraging them not to worry about anything, but instead speak to God through prayer about whatever concerns them. God, who is faithful, will hear their prayers, grant them peace, and help them focus on the good things in life.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 17:11-19

Met by ten lepers as he traveled to Jerusalem, Jesus heard their pleas for healing and sent them to visit the priests in the temple. On their way toward the temple, the ten realized they had been healed. One of the ten, a Samaritan, was the only man to head back to Jesus to thank him for what he had done. Jesus blessed him for his faith even as he was surprised to see only one man standing before him.

The Humbling of God

God Shall Bless Us

Do Not Be Anxious

Jesus Heals Ten Lepers

Suggestions for the Day:

- Liturgical Color: Green [Or in the US leaving the color white, after Christ the King, is also perfectly acceptable.]
- Use the Kyrie OR the Hymn of Praise if you are leading a communion service. If you are using Service of the Word, simply follow that liturgy. You can find a Service of the Word or a Service of Evening Prayer on the Liturgies & Services page of SOWeR.
- Use the Apostles’ Creed in Ordinary Time.
- Consider taking up a collection of canned goods for your local food bank at this worship service.
- One out of ten is bad odds. Do you think Jesus expected to see all ten men come back to say thanks?

SUGGESTED HYMNS FOR WORSHIP

Hymn Titles:	LBW	WOV	LSB	ELW	REC	Sola
Sing to the Lord of the Harvest	412	---	893	694	262	262
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	543	---	790	858	11	11
We Praise You, O God	241	---	785	870	35	35
Now Thank We All Our God	534	---	895	839	50	50
Come, You Thankful People, Come	407	---	892	693	261	261
Great is Thy Faithfulness	---	771	809	733	211	211
For the Beauty of the Earth	561	---	---	879	18	18
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise	90	---	394	310	---	---
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing	499	---	686	807	227	227
Cup of Blessing That We Share	204	---	---	---	---	---

The hymn suggestions above can be found in: LBW= Lutheran Book of Worship, WOVS= With One Voice, ELW= Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Augsburg Fortress); LSB= The Lutheran Service Book (Concordia Publishing), REC= The ReClaim Hymnal for Church and Home (ReClaim Resources), and *** means you can find it on SOWeR at “Hymns and Music.”

CONTEMPORARY SONGS

- Praise Song Titles:**
- Thank You Lord (CCLI# 577439)
 - Lord of the Harvest (CCLI# 4501961)
 - Because of Your Love (CCLI# 4662501)
 - Trading My Sorrows (CCLI# 2574653)
 - Good Good Father (CCLI# 7036612)

The contemporary song suggestions above are noted by their CCLI number. To print these songs, a congregation must have a CCLI license.