

A rustic wooden background with string lights and autumn decorations. The scene is lit with warm, golden light from string lights at the top and a lantern on the right. In the foreground, there are several lit candles, pumpkins, and autumn leaves scattered on a wooden surface.

Give Thanks

to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34

Thanksgiving

November 26, 2020

Worship Leader: Pastor Timothy Gerbing
Preacher: Pastor Richard Krause

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

“Come, You Thankful People, Come”

**Come, you thankful people, come;
Raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in
Ere the winter storms begin.
God our maker shall provide
For our wants to be supplied.
Come to God’s own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest home.**

**All the world is God’s own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and weeds 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.**

**Even so, Lord, quickly come
To your final harvest home;
Gather all your people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
In your garner to abide.
Come with all your angels come;
Raise the glorious harvest home. (CW 613:1,2,4)**

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Sing a new song to the LORD,

C: For he has done marvelous things.

P: Acclaim the LORD, all people on earth,

C: Break into songs of joy, sing psalms.

P: From your high pavilion you water the hills;

C: The earth is satisfied by the fruit of your work.

P: You make grass to grow for the cattle,

C: And plants for all people to cultivate—bringing bread out of the earth.

P: How many are your works, O LORD!

C: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

P: These all look to you to give them their food at the proper time;

C: When you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things. (Psalm 104)

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P: Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from our Father in heaven. In truth let us examine our hearts and come to him in repentance for those times we've failed to recognize his gifts or honor him as the giver.

C: Most Gracious God, your generosity comes to us new every day, and yet we fail to gratefully acknowledge your goodness. We have not loved you above all else. We have not loved others as we should. Forgive our sins, renew our faith in you, and awaken in us the desire to live in service to you and all people.

P: God is good. His love is everlasting. In mercy for our fallen world, he gave his only Son that all who believe in him should not perish but have eternal life. Through him, all your sins have been forgiven.

C: We give you thanks, O Father, for the salvation you have provided through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may show our gratitude in all that we say and in all that we do. Amen.

“My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness” *(soloist)*

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain,
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again.
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in his light
And wrote his law of righteousness with pow’r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who walks beside,
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly.
Whose every promise is enough for every step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love.
For every day I have on earth is given by the King,
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow him.

EPISTLE LESSON *1 Timothy 2: 1-4*

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 17: 11-19*

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.”

“Now Thank We All Our God”



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and
2 Oh, may this boun - teous God Through all our
3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther



hands and voic - es, Who won - drous things has done,
life be near us, With ev - er - joy - ful hearts
now be giv - en, The Son, and him who reigns



In whom his world re - joic - es, Who from our
And bless - ed peace to cheer us And keep us
With them in high - est heav - en, The one e -



moth - er's arms Has blessed us on our way With
in his grace And guide us when per - plexed And
ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore! For



count - less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
free us from all ills In this world and the next.
thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

SERMON TEXT *Philippians 4: 6-20*

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

SERMON THEME **THANKSGIVING THROUGH JESUS CHRIST**

- I. The problem**
- II. The solution**

PRAYER

P: Lord of heaven and earth, you made all things beautiful. You have provided green forests and refreshing streams. You have arranged the orderly procession of day and night for our work and rest.

C: **Thank you for the mountains and the prairies, the roaring sea, and the gentle breeze.**

P: Thank you for roofs that shelter us, for clothing that protects us, and for food and drink. Thank you for our work, for projects that are done well, and for the approval of our supervisors and teachers. Thank you for all who serve at night to make our days more pleasant.

C: Thank you for associates at work, for their encouragement and praise, and for the joys of human friendships.

P: Thank you for our cities and our countrysides, for farms and factories, for streets and highways, and for all of life that flows so swiftly before us.

C: Thank you for children at play, their boundless energy, and their shouts of joy and laughter.

P: Thank you for kind greetings we receive and for all the smiles that come from faces loved by you.

C: Thank you for Christian parents, for their affection and care.

P: Hear us, Lord as we give thanks for personal blessings.

(silent prayer)

P: Thank you for your Son Jesus Christ, for his coming to us in Word and sacraments, for your giving and forgiving, and for listening to our prayers. Receive our gifts and offerings as our sacrifice of praise.

C: Lead us in thankful living today and always. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

C: Amen.

“For the Fruit of His Creation”



1 For the fruit of his cre - a - tion, Thanks be to
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to



God. For his gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks
done. In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's
God. For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks



be to God. For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing,
will be done. In our world - wide task of car - ing
be to God. For the won - ders that as - tound us,



Si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing, Fu - ture
For the hun - gry and de - spair - ing, In the
For the truths that still con - found us, Most of



needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.
har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
all that Love has found us, Thanks be to God.

SILENT PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Announcements

Call Update: Pastor Matt Hennig has declined our call to serve here at Christ. A new call meeting has been set for Wednesday, December 2 at 7:30 pm in the Grand Hall. Plan to join us that evening. We will receive a new call list from our District President.

November Food Drive: This month you can help our church stock its food pantry shelves to share with people in need. We have bins in the church office to accept non-perishable, non-expired food donations until Sunday, November 29. *Please note that we cannot accept expired food!* Monetary donations to our church food pantry can be placed in the collection plate or turned in to the church office. Checks should be made out to Christ Lutheran Church and please note “food pantry” on the memo line. This year we will be sharing our food drive donations with Tomorrow’s Choice in Waukesha and Lighthouse Youth Center. Thank you for your support!

Midweek Advent Worship Services will be held on Wednesdays, December 2, 9, and 16 at 12:00 & 6:30 pm. A German-English Service will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 12:00 pm. Due to COVID-19 there will be no meals.

Sunday School Christmas Eve Service Practices will be held on Saturdays, December 5, 12, and 19 from 9:00-10:00 am in the gym. A rehearsal will be held on Sunday, December 20 from 9:10-10:10 am in the gym. Parents, please check your email if you have not yet registered your child to participate in the Christmas Eve Service. All children are required to attend the Saturday practices in order to participate in the Sunday School Christmas Eve Service.

Christmas Decorating: Come and help decorate the church for Christmas! On Thursday, December 3 at 5:00 pm we will assemble Christmas trees. On Friday, December 4 at 5:00 pm we will decorate the trees and the church building. Many hands of all ages and talents will be needed to accomplish this! Come join the fun as we decorate for Christmas. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Tetting (262-523-1374) or Sibylle Krause (262-424-6164). Please sign up in the gathering area if you can help.

Bible Classes

Bible Information Class: Review the fundamental teachings of the Christian faith as revealed in the Bible. This is an excellent class for anyone interested in becoming a member of our church and a good refresher course for members. Class meets weekly on Saturdays at 3:30 pm, Sundays at 9:10 am, Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, and Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Please contact Pastor Warnecke if you have any questions.

Early Risers Bible Class will not meet this week. They will resume meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 1 at 8:00 am in the new lower level confirmation room. (Members, look for a Zoom invitation email.) Join us as we see God's grace in the life of God's servant Moses.

Enduring Word Bible Class will not meet this week. They will resume meeting on Thursday, December 3 at 9:00 am in the new lower level confirmation room at church. This week we begin a new series as we study the Book of Esther. (Members, look for a Zoom invitation email.)

Sunday School for 3K Preschool through 6th grade is held on Sundays at 9:10 am. Contact Ron Morrow if you have any questions (414-559-8829 or ron2morrow@yahoo.com).

Youth Confirmation for grades 7-8 is held on Sundays at 9:10 am. The class also meets midweek on Tuesdays at 5:45 pm on-site and Thursdays at 5:45 pm on Zoom. To learn more, please contact Pastor Gerbing.

The "Noah" Adult Bible Study will resume on Sunday, November 29 at 9:10 am in the grand hall.

Adult Sunday School will resume on Sunday, November 29 at 9:10 am in the library. All adults are welcome! Here we take a deeper look into those important Bible stories that most impact our faith and daily lives.

Teen Bible Study will resume on Sunday, November 29 at 9:10 am in the teen room.

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WELS Christian Aid and Relief

Each day we consider our blessings and thank God for them. Out of gratitude for our greatest gift, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who has saved us from our sins, we in turn reach out to those who are in need—spiritually, physically, and emotionally. One way we, as WELS brothers and sisters in Christ, carry out this ministry of compassion is through Christian Aid and Relief. Together we provide relief to people suffering from natural disasters, assist those dealing with extreme medical and financial challenges, and show Christian love to people through our WELS missions by supporting humanitarian aid projects. Your special gifts provide critical assistance to people in need and create wonderful opportunities to share the saving message of the gospel. Thank You!

Christian Aid and Relief grant totals for this year

\$1,138,604



Current Grants

Domestic relief: providing disaster relief and medical assistance throughout the U.S.— \$432,695.

Foreign relief: providing disaster and financial relief to Albania, Asia, Bahamas, Bulgaria, China, Ethiopia, Hong Kong, India, Latin America, Malawi, Philippines, Thailand, Ukraine, Venezuela, Vietnam and Zambia, — \$249,990.

Included in funding for both the domestic and foreign relief grants \$172,003 was dispersed for Covid related issues.

Humanitarian aid: providing assistance for projects such as borehole drilling, health clinics, home based care, food assistance, and warm clothes for widows and orphans — \$455,919.

Home and World Mission fields receiving humanitarian aid grants: Central African Medical Mission, Malawi, Zambia, Albania, Bulgaria, Russia, Mexico, Venezuela, Asia, Indonesia, and several home mission congregations welcoming legal immigrants to their church and community.

To learn more, visit wels.net/relief and [fb.com/WELSChristianAidandRelief](https://www.facebook.com/WELSChristianAidandRelief).

If a need arises for humanitarian aid or disaster relief in your area, please contact director Daniel Sims.

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