

Happy Thanksgiving from your LPC Family

Thanksgiving Song (makes a wonderful prayer!)

"Grateful for each hand we hold
Gathered round this table.

From far and near we travel home,
Blessed that we are able.

Grateful for this sheltered place
With light in every window,

Saying welcome, welcome, share this feast
Come in away from sorrow.

Father, mother, daughter, son,
Neighbor, friend and friendless;

All together everyone in the gift of loving-kindness.

Grateful for whats understood,
And all that is forgiven;

We try so hard to be good,
To lead a life worth living.

Father, mother, daughter, son,
Neighbor, friend, and friendless;

All together everyone, let grateful days be endless.

Grateful for each hand we hold
Gathered round this table."

- Mary Chapin Carpenter - Thanksgiving Song Lyrics

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**Locust Presbyterian Church
Thanksgiving Service
November 23, 2021**

Welcome

Rev. Ardy Skidmore

Call to Worship:

ONE: Know that the LORD is God.

**MANY: It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

ONE: For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, provided it is received with thanksgiving

MANY: for it is sanctified by God's word and by prayer.

ONE: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

MANY: for his steadfast love endures forever.

ONE: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.

**MANY: For he satisfies the thirsty,
and the hungry he fills with good things.**

ONE: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.

MANY: Give thanks to him, bless his name.

***Hymn of Praise # 559 "We Gather Together"**

Confession: Lord, too often we take for granted the many blessings you bestow on us. Too often we don't pause to express our thanks. Too often we only see from our limited sight that challenges bring us closer to you. Too often we don't hear the cries of those in need because we only focus on our own wants. Forgive us Lord, hear our prayer of thanks and our humble spirit calling out to You.

Assurance of Pardon

***Doxology-** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

First Scripture: Joel 2:21-27

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Second Scripture: Second Scripture 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Message – "Be Glad and Rejoice"

Hymn of Thanksgiving # 551 "*Come Ye Thankful People Come*"

Third Scripture: Matthew 6:25-33

Communion:

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

***Hymn of Blessing # 554 "Let All Things Now Living"**

Charge and Benediction

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**If you can help with setting up the Christmas tree on Saturday,
please speak to Bob Remsburg for the time.**

