

**November 26, 2023**

**WE GIVE  
THANKS  
TO  
GOD**



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# Trinity Presbyterian Church

**10:30 a.m.**

**Sunday, November 26, 2023**

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## **Processional**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

*Greet one another with the Peace of Christ*

“The Peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

## **Preparation for Worship**

John F. Kennedy

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them.

## **Prelude**

*Praise Ascending*

David Paxton

## **Introit**

Now Let Us Gather

## **Call to Worship**

Psalm 95:1-7

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

One: For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.

**All: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

One: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**All: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

## **\*Hymn of Praise #551**

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

## Call to Confession

One: God of love, your faithfulness and love endure forever, yet our gratitude fades on a daily basis. For your blessings that we fail to see and fail to acknowledge, please forgive us. Lord of goodness, please open our eyes to all that you do as we confess our sins to you now...

## Prayer of Confession

**All: You are the God of Abundance, Provision, and Plenty, yet so many do not have enough; so many are burdened by far too much; so many squander what they have; so many do evil to get more; the “many” include me. Lord, have mercy. Help me choose collaboration over competition, gratitude over greed, rest over hustle, generosity over fear. Help me choose You and Your ways, always. In the name of the Christ in whom we find forgiveness, Amen.**

*Take time to offer silent prayers of confession.*

## Assurance of Forgiveness

One: You are the God who commands the winds and the waves, yet you are also the God who draws near to us in love. Renew us with your Holy Spirit, draw us out of ourselves and deeper into your love. For Jesus' sake, Amen.

## \*Gloria #579

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.***

## Anthem

*Coronation*

Craig Courtney

*Crown Him the King of Kings,  
The Lord of Lords, the Prince of Peace.  
Crown Him the one who died and rose again,  
To live forevermore.*



## 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## Call to Offering

**Offertory**

*Lied*

Lani Smith

## \*Doxology #591

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

## \*Prayer of Dedication

**One:** Christ has dedicated himself to us, body, soul, and spirit.

**All:** **His very lifeblood is given so that we may have life.**

**One:** His very spirit is given so that we may be satisfied.

**All:** **Lord, help us to become fully alive as we dedicate our lives to you, body, mind, and spirit.**

## \*Closing Hymn #552

*Give Thanks, O Christian People*

## \*Blessing

## \*Amen

## \*Postlude

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Molly Ijames

*\*We invite all to stand in body or in spirit.*

## **THANK YOU**

Pastor: Rev. Larry Vilaro  
Guest Preacher: Rev. Clyde Vaughn  
Music Director: Nicki Kerns  
Lector: Michael Christie  
Greeter: Sejin Oh  
Usher: Pete Halper  
Flowers: Karen Wichelmann  
Coffee: Vickie Rutan

## **Announcements**

### **Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!**

We look forward to getting to know you better. Please fill out a visitor welcome card found in the pew pockets in front of you. After worship, please join us for coffee, tea, and juice in the Magnolia Courtyard. We are glad you are here!

### **Advent Study, Thursdays in December, 5:30pm**

Please see the tear off sheet on page 8 for more information and to sign up.

### **Church Hike, December 8, 9:30am**

Natural Bridges to visit the butterflies. Other exploring will depend on weather, trail conditions and the tide. Leaving church parking lot at 9:30am. No dogs. Rain or high winds will cancel. For more information, contact Kathy Willott.

### **Book Club, December 11, 2023, 2pm, Fireside Room**

The books being discussed are "A Christmas Carol", as well as "The Life and Times of Bob Cratchit."

## **Christmas Time at Trinity**

Join us for one or all of our many holiday services in December.

December 10: Christmas Caroling after worship service

December 17: Cantata during worship

December 20: Longest Night Worship Service, 6pm

December 24: Morning Worship at 10:30am

December 24: Lessons and Carols, 6pm

## **Please, No More Ink**

The office is no longer accepting used ink cartridges for recycling.

### **We Welcome Rev. Clyde Vaughn**

Clyde is the part-time Pastor at Boulder Creek United Methodist Church (merged with the Presbyterian Church in Boulder Creek). Clyde served Grace UMC from 1981-1991, and had a great collegial relationship with Trinity during those years, including shared VBS and a clergy study group. Now retired, Clyde is enjoying his garden and he and Sheila enjoy traveling. Clyde has been a frequent guest preacher at Trinity and has many friends among the congregation





**December 7, 14, and 21 at 5:30pm**  
**Advent Study Dinners: Honor God's Diversity**

This study takes a deep dive into what it means to honor diversity, understand inequities in the world, and to take radical steps to both understand, respect, and include the marginalized.

Each session will begin with a potluck dinner in the Fireside Room.

Please fill out the form below to let us know if you are planning to attend the dinner on **December 7**, and what you would like to bring to share.

Yes, I/We will be attending the Advent Gathering Thursday,  
**December 7, @ 5:30pm.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I/we would like to bring (*please circle one*)

main dish casserole (no soup)    salad    dessert

*Please place in the offering plate*



# 551 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR 7.7.7.7 D

Henry Alford, 1844; alt.

George Job Elvey, 1859

1. Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home:  
 2. All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to God's praise to yield;  
 3. For the Lord our God shall come, And shall take the har - vest home;  
 4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To Thy fi - nal har - vest home;

All is safe - ly gath - ered in, Ere the win - ter storms be - gin;  
 Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - to joy or sor - row grown;  
 From each field shall in that day All of - fens - es purge a - way;  
 Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin;

God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied:  
 First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear:  
 Give the an - gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,  
 There for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy pres - ence to a - bide:

Come to God's own tem - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home.  
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 But the fruit - ful ears to store In God's gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 Come, with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

## Let All Things Now Living

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Welsh folk melody

Katherine K. Davis, 1939; alt.

Harm. Gerald H. Knight (1908-1979)

*Unison*

1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks - giv - ing  
2. By law God en - forc - es. The stars in their cours - es,

To God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;  
The sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,  
The hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains,

By guid - ing us on to the end of our days.  
The depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

*Harmony*

God's ban - ners are o'er us, Pure light goes be - fore us,  
We, too, should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing

A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:  
With glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise:

*Unison*

Till shad - ows have van - ished, All fear - ful - ness ban - ished,  
Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks - giv - ing,

As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to Light.  
To God in, the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.

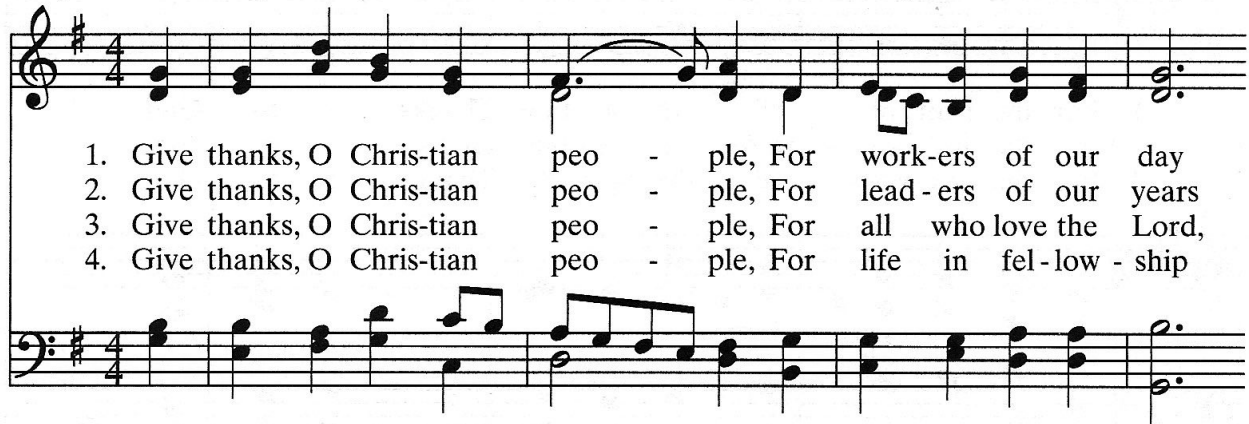
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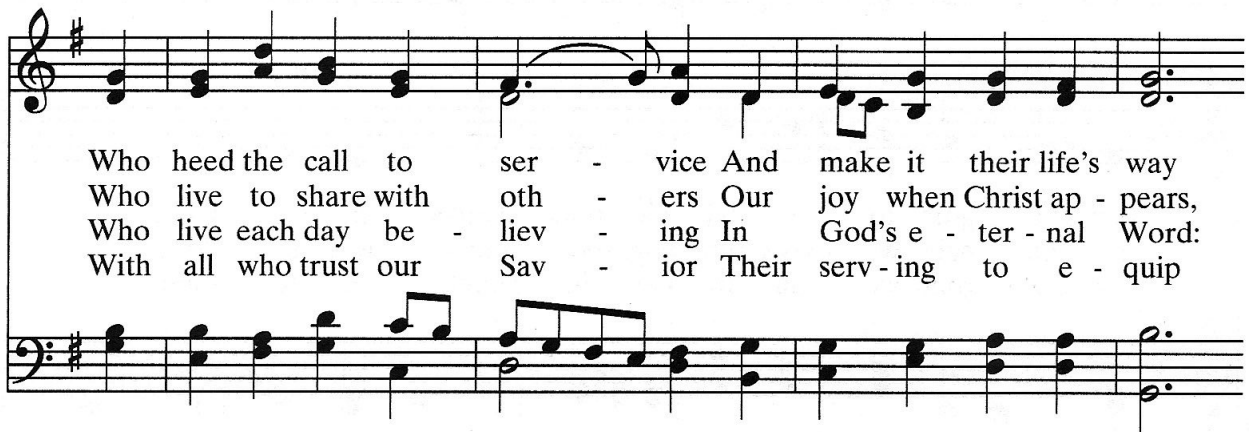
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Mary Jackson Cathey, 1984

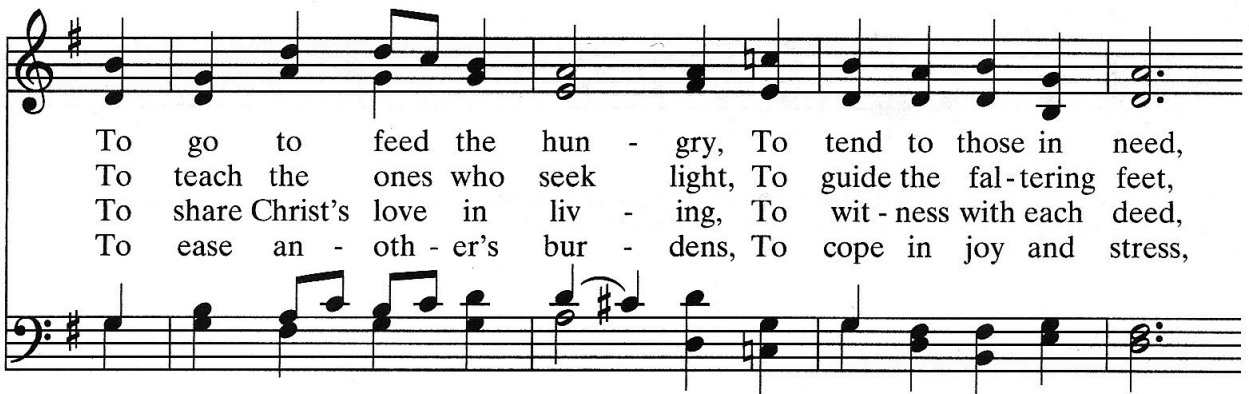
Memmingen ms., 17th century  
Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1904



1. Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, For work-ers of our day  
2. Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, For lead-ers of our years  
3. Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, For all who love the Lord,  
4. Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, For life in fel-low - ship



Who heed the call to ser - vice And make it their life's way  
Who live to share with oth - ers Our joy when Christ ap - pears,  
Who live each day be - liev - ing In God's e - ter - nal Word:  
With all who trust our Sav - ior Their serv - ing to e - quip



To go to feed the hun - gry, To tend to those in need,  
To teach the ones who seek light, To guide the fal-tering feet,  
To share Christ's love in liv - ing, To wit - ness with each deed,  
To ease an - oth - er's bur - dens, To cope in joy and stress,



To work for e - qual jus - tice, Till all God's folk are freed.  
To lead the fol - lowers for - ward Our liv - ing Lord to meet.  
To use the tal - ents giv - en To plant the gos-pel seed.  
To mag - ni - fy God's mes - sage And Christ's great love con - fess.