

**SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA*

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**5:30 p.m.**  
**Thanksgiving Eve**  
**Worship**



**November 22, 2017**

**Service of**  
**Thanksgiving**



### **All Are Welcome**

**All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.**

**You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.**

**All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling at the altar rail. Children are encouraged to come to receive the Lord's Blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered , as well.**

**If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Doug to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet.**

**Special thanks to:**

**Megan Cianflone, Director of Music  
Shepherd of the Glades Lutheran Church**

# *Lift Up Your Hearts*

~ *A Service of Thanksgiving* ~

*Wednesday Evening, November 22, 2017, 5:30 p.m.*

*WELCOME*

*INVOCATION*

*GATHERING HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God" Hymn #840*

*C Vs. 1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;  
Who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

*P Give thanks to the Lord with all your heart.*

*C My heart and my soul ring out their joy to God, the living God.*

*P Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.*

*C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.*

*P A broken and a contrite heart our God will not despise.*

*C He heals the brokenhearted and binds up all their wounds.*

*P Lift up your hearts. It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

*C Vs. 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed.  
And free us from all harm in this world and the next.*

*P Give thanks to the Lord with all your heart.*

*C My heart and my soul ring out their joy to God, the living God.*

*P Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the name of the Lord.*

*C I will bless the Lord as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call upon his name.*

*P Lift up your hearts.*

*C We lift them up to the Lord.*

*P It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

*C Vs. 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;  
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.*

*PRAYER OF THE DAY*

*All Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Holy Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen*





**FIRST LESSON**    *Lamentations 3:22-33, 40-41*

**PSALMODY**        *from Psalm 86 (Rhosymedre)*

C            *In mercy God draws nigh; his blessings overflow.  
              Lift up your hearts on high to let thanksgiving show.  
                  For God has opened wide his hand  
                  With gifts of mercy good and grand  
                  To pour rich bounty on our land.*

P    Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

C    Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

P    For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

C                        *To you I lift my heart; I call upon your name.  
                  Teach me your ways, O Lord, nor let me come to shame.  
                  Your grace and mercy still abound.  
                  Your praise shall from my lips resound,  
                  For steadfast love with you is found.*

P    I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

C    And I will glorify your name forever.

P    For great is your steadfast love toward me.

C                        *To you I lift my heart. Your praises I will sing.  
                  Your steadfast love impart, as thanks I gladly bring.  
                  With grateful heart my hands I raise,  
                  To offer, Lord, a hymn of praise,  
                  Profess thanksgiving all my days.*

**SECOND LESSON**        *I Timothy 2:1-8*

C Vs. 1    *Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise;            Hymn #694  
                  With joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise.  
                  By him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move;  
                  Sing to the Lord of harvest a joyous song of love.*

**Gospel**                        *Matthew 6:25-33*

C Vs. 3        *Bring to his sacred altar the gifts God's 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.*

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**HOMILY**                        *"Me, a Pardoned Turkey"*            Pastor Doug Wahlberg  
  Isaiah 55:7

**C** *Oh, be joyful, all you peoples; in the Lord your God rejoice!  
Ring your praise from highest steeples; cry it with exultant voice!  
Oh, be joyful, all creation! Tell the praises all about  
Of the Rock of our salvation: lo, the very stones must shout!*

*Oh, be joyful, for your Maker opens wide his hands to bless.  
Come, then, as a glad partaker of your savior's righteousness!  
Oh, be joyful in the Spirit for the hope God's Word provides:  
Life eternal we inherit, gracious gift that e'er abides.*

**OFFERING AND PRAYERS FOR HURRICANE IRMA REPAIRS**

**P** Holy God, you invite us to share abundantly in every good work. As congregations join together in worship, make us bold in our generosity so that all may be fed. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** On this eve of Thanksgiving, you crown the year with your goodness in creation. Supply seed to the sower, bread for food, and a shared harvest for all. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Lift up First Nations, native peoples, and indigenous tribes who live in many places all across the world. Support those who teach and preserve our many cultures that they may be understood as reflections of your diverse creation. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Put an end to poverty, homelessness, and hunger. Fill our tables with healthy food. We pray for those who are lonely, stressed, and still suffering from Hurricane Irma. Surround them with your presence and care. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Open our hearts to be cheerful givers, sharing abundantly in your God work. Teach us to give thanks to you for every blessing and work of healing in our lives. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Comfort all who grieve with the assurance of hope that all who have died will be raised with Christ. We remember and honor those whose witness of the faith echoes beyond the grave. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Receive these prayers and the hopes and concerns of our hearts, O God, as we entrust into your loving care all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen**





*HOLY COMMUNION All are welcome!*

*AN ACT OF THANKSGIVING IN CLOSING from Psalm 148*

P Praise the Lord, all you hosts of heaven!

C Praise him, sun and moon! Praise him, shining stars and all the firmament!

P Let them all praise the name of the Lord!

C Vs. 1 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! Hymn #858*  
*O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!*  
*Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration!*

P Let the earth join his praise:

C *The seas and all that dwell therein, the forces of nature that obey his command;*

P Hills and mountains,

C Trees and forests,

P Birds and animals of every kind.

C Vs. 2 *Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning*  
*And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.*  
*Have you not seen all that is needful has been sent by his gracious ordaining?*

P Let the people praise the Lord —

C Rulers and subjects, men and women, the old and the young alike.

P Let them all praise the name of the Lord!

C Vs. 3 *Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;*  
*Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.*  
*Ponder anew what the Almighty can do if with his love he befriend you.*

P The name of the Lord is greater than all others.

C The glory of the lord is above earth and heaven.

P He blesses all who are his own, so that all may praise him.

C Vs. 4 *Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!*  
*All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!*  
*Let the amen sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him!*

**BENEDICTION**

**DOXOLOGY**

*Old Hundredth*

C *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!*  
*Praise him, all creatures here below!*  
*Praise him above, ye heav'nly host!*  
*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen*

*After worship there is fellowship in Hanson Hall across the courtyard with a soup supper. All are invited!*

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*Wednesday Advent services begin on November 29 at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary and continue on December 6, 13, and 20. There will be a time of fellowship following the service in Hanson Hall. Offerings from these services will benefit the Hurricane Irma recovery efforts.*

*Christmas Eve worship is at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 and 11:00 p.m. with candles and communion.*

*New Year's Eve worship is at 9:30 a.m. on December 31, 2017.*

*Two Sunday worship services begin Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.*



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