

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

"Now Thank We All Our God!"



November 21, 2018



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 Bob 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**

"Now Thank We All Our God"

~ A Service of Thanksgiving ~

Wednesday Evening, November 21, 2018, 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





*PSALMODY from Psalm 126 “A Harvest of Joy”
(Read responsively)*

FIRST When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
We were like those who dream.

SECOND Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
And our tongue with shouts of joy;
Then it was said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”

FIRST The LORD has done great things for us,
And we rejoiced.

SECOND Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
Like the watercourses in the Negeb.

FIRST May those who sow in tears
Reap with shouts of joy.

SECOND Those who go out weeping,
Bearing the seed for sowing,
Shall come home with shouts of joy,
Carrying their sheaves.

GOSPEL *Matthew 6:25-33*

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?^[b] ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ ³² For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

HOMILY

Pastor Bob Hoffman

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

ELW 693

OFFERING AND PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence

C **Hear our prayer.**

A God of grace and glory, you provide teachers and heralds to proclaim your gospel throughout the world. We give you thanks for the church and its leaders, that through their work we can rejoice in your goodness. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A You brought forth creation and filled it with plants and animals, seas and skies. We give you thanks for fruit-bearing trees, abundant harvests, rain, soil, birds, lilies, and everything you provide. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A You desire that all shall have a peaceable life. We give you thanks for civil servants and volunteers, political and social leaders, and all people in authority, and we pray that they work for justice. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A You count all humankind worthy of care. We give you thanks for those who work in medical professions, that through their skill you provide healing, consolation, and well-being. Today we pray especially for . . . Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A You ground our lives in the love of Christ. We give you thanks that you protect travelers and those absent from worship, and reveal yourself to us in our holiday celebrations. Reveal yourself also to those who spend this holiday alone. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A Today we pray especially for those on our newsletter prayer list and those we hold in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A You promise us life in your kingdom through the resurrection of Christ. We give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us and continue to inspire us in our lives of faith, Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, that we commend to you this day, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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!

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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

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

Sunday service is at 9:30 a.m. Two Sunday worship services begin Sunday, January 6, 2019 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.



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