

Thanksgiving Day

November 24, 2022, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

The Word of God

Prelude

Every Day (I Thank You)

Pat Metheny

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Processional Hymn **Come, Ye Thankful People, Come** Hymnal #290 vv. 1-4

Words and music for hymns are all found in the blue hymnal in the pew rack in front of you.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Deuteronomy 26:1-11

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Jerry Sather

Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump

The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

1st Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated, and join in singing,

The Response

Psalm 100 *Jubilate Deo*

Old 100th

Serve God with glad-ness, all you lands, and come be - fore him with a song; the
 8 Go, then, in - to his courts with praise, give thanks and call up - on his name; for
 Lord is God and we are his, the sheep who in his field be - long.
 God is good, his mer - cy sure, his faith - ful - ness al - ways the same.

Music after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?) Paraphrase of Psalm 100 by Christopher L Webber, copyright 1986. Used by permission.

The Second Lesson Philippians 4:4-9

2nd Reader A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

2nd Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please STAND, as able, and join in singing

Sequence Hymn

Praise to God, Immortal Praise

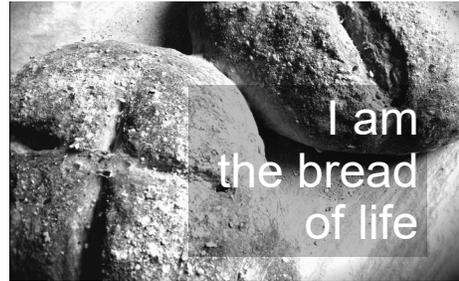
Hymn #288, vv. 1-3

The Holy Gospel John 6:25-35

Deacon The Holy Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the crowd found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."



Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated for

The Sermon

The Rev. Jerry Sather

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

Please stand as able, and join in saying,

The Nicene Creed

(Updated from The Book of Common Prayer addendum, Enriching our Worship I)

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Litany of Thanksgiving

from the Book of Common Prayer

The people read the responses in bold.

Leader: Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

People: We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

Leader: We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

People: We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Leader: Let us speak our personal prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts. *(Please add your own prayers silently or aloud.)*

People: Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Leader: Gracious God, grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. We pray all this in the name of Jesus, your son. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

Please stand or kneel as able

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and for give us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, have mercy ✠ on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

Please stand as able for

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Music

Please stand as able, and join in singing,

Offertory Hymn

Doxology

Hymn #380 vs 3

The Great Thanksgiving *(spoken)*

From Enriching Our Worship, approved supplement to the Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth because the wonders of your Creation reflect your goodness and beauty; and your gifts of sun and rain, seedtime and harvest, manifest your constant love and care for all that you have made. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord** *Hymn #858 (WLP)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
 high - - - est.

Music: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Pruner; harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)
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*All STAND or kneel as the Celebrant continues.
 We will read the remainder of the Eucharistic Prayer responsively, with the People reading the parts in **Bold**.*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.
 You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.
 But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves.
 We would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.
 Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you.
 You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you." "Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, "Do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your Creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring all of us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Blessed Francis and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All **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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. **Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.**

Fraction Anthem

Jesus, Lamb of God

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Je-sus, Lamb of God: have mer-cy on us. Je-sus, bear-er
of our sins: have mer-cy on us. Je-sus, re-deem-er, re-
deem-er of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Communion of the People

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Kneeling or standing, each person receives the Bread in the palm of the right hand, eats, and then guides the cup for a sip of the Wine. If you do not wish to receive, or are not yet baptized, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. **The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish to be served in your seat.***

Communion Music

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessings of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please STAND as able for,

The Closing Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

Hymnal #397

The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

J.S. Bach

Welcome!

We warmly welcome you if you are here with us for the first time today. We joyfully welcome *all* people into our community – without exception. Whoever you are, and whatever the status of your relationship with God, you will find fellow travelers here. *With blessings and peace from the community of St Francis Church.*

What's Happening

First Sunday of Advent—Sunday—November 27

The start of the Church Year—begin your preparations for the joyful birth of our Lord.

Advent wreath-making

Sunday December 4—Family Wreath-making and Breakfast!

After 10am worship.