

Order of Worship

November 20, 2022

10:00 o'clock

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Steve Schibsted

Prelude

Dr. Stephen Main

***Church Bell**

(*The congregation is invited to stand)

***Call to Worship**

Sara Hirsch

Liturgist: We gather this morning as the people of God.

People: We gather together with praise and thanksgiving.

Liturgist: As God breathed life into creation,

People: Let the Holy Spirit breathe new life into us.

Liturgist: Open our ears to hear your Word, O God.

People: Open our hearts that we would be shaped by your Word.

Liturgist: Let us worship the Lord our God!

***Hymn**

Now thank we all our God

Nun danket

Prayer of Confession

Wondrous and generous God, you have blessed us with gentle rains, glorious sunsets and sun-warmed days. You bless us with loving families, kind friends and a caring church. Let us receive these gifts with thankfulness and humility. We cannot earn nor do we deserve such generosity, but we graciously open our hearts and hands to receive. Forgive us when we are hardhearted and tight-handed, when we don't let your goodness flow through us, when we hide our talents and turn away from the needs of the world. Release us, Holy God, from fear, and create a contagious spirit of giving that touches the world with hope. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Words of Christian Greeting

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Scott Kail

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, and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.

Anthem

Keep your lamps trimmed
Chrysalis Youth Choir
and Section Leaders

Trad. spiritual
arr. Stephen Main

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, for the time is drawing nigh.
Sisters, don't grow weary, for your work is almost done.
Brothers, don't grow weary, for your work is almost done.
Children, don't grow weary, for the time is drawing nigh.

-Traditional spiritual

Scripture Lesson

1 Thessalonians 5:18

(Pew Bible p. 837)

No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

Sermon

"CULTIVATING GRATITUDE"
Dr. Steve Schibsted and Gen Hiller

Offertory

Nun danket alle Gott
Chancel Choir, organ and brass

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

Nun danket alle Gott, der grosse Dinge tut an allen Enden; der uns von Mutterleibe an lebendig erhält und tut uns alles Guts. Er gebe uns ein fröhlich Herz und verleihe immerdar Friede zu unsern Zeiten in Israel, und daß seine Gnade stets bei uns bleibe, und erlöse uns, so lange wir leben.

Nun danket alle Gott, mit Herzen, Mund, und Händen, der grosse Dinge tut an uns und allen Enden, der uns von Mutterleib und Kindesbeinen an unzählig viel zugut und noch jetzt und getan.

Now thank we all our God, who does great things for us always; who from our mothers' arms has held us and blessed us. May he give us a joyful heart and grant us peace in our days in Israel, and may his grace be with us always, and redeem us as long as we live.

Now thank we all our God, with our hearts, our lips, and our hands, who does great things for us, and still has much yet to do.
-Martin Rinckart (16th century)

***Doxology**

(Hymnal, p. 572)

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.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: our very selves. So let us give not only our money to help others, but our hearts, our hands and our time to make a tangible difference in the lives of those not as fortunate as we are. Keep us mindful of all you have given to us, so we might give to others. We give with gratitude through Christ our Lord, who gave us his all. Amen.

***Hymn 565**

Come, ye thankful people, come

Windsor

Commission and Benediction*Voluntary**

Nun danket alle Gott
Brass and organ

Sigfried Karg-Elert
(1877-1933)

We are delighted and grateful that you have come to worship here this morning. We especially welcome those of you who are visitors. If you would like more information about Piedmont Community Church, please visit our website at PiedmontChurch.org.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Dick Fletcher with love from Alison, Michele, and Darren Fletcher.**

Please silence your cell phones.

This morning's ushers are **Wayne & Christy Guidici** and **Jeff & Linda McClain**. The Board of Deacons greeters are **Liz Becker** and **Kristin Johnson**. They will be available during the coffee hour to answer questions you may have about the church.

Please join us after the service for coffee.

The Clara Barton Room (outside sanctuary to the right) has closed circuit viewing of the service for parents with infants and young children.

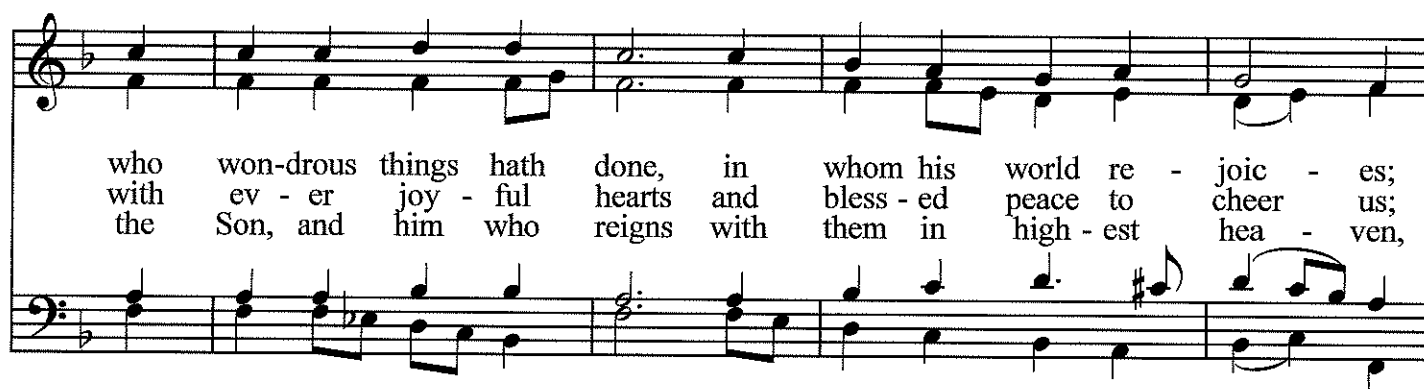
Please ask an usher for assistance if needed.

Now Thank We All Our God

Nun danket alle Gott



1. Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
 2. O may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us!
 3. All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,



who won-drous things hath done, in whom his world re-joic-es;
 with ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us;
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in high-est hea-ven,



who from our mo-ther's arms hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per-plexed,
 the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heaven a-dore;



with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills, and in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ev-er more.

Words: Martin Rinckart (1586-1649); translated Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Music: melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662); harmonized William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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Come, Ye Thankful People, Come 565

The harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. - Matt. 13:39



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Henry Alford, 1844



George J. Elvey, 1858





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 His praise to yield;
3. For the Lord our God shall come, And shall take His 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 His 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 Ma - ker, 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 His 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 His gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come, with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest-home. A-men.

