

*** Call to Worship**

The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,

Thank you!

The hills and valleys are filled with color, and we say,

Thank you!

The vines and trees are filled with fruit, and we say,

Thank you!

We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,

Thank you!

**May the words of our mouths
and the meditations of our hearts**

be acceptable to you, O God,

as we enter into this service of thanksgiving and praise.

*** God's Greeting**

*** He Has Made Me Glad**

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart.

I will enter His courts with praise.

I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made."

I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad, He has made me glad,

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*** With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring** #183:1,4 (PH)

With grateful heart my thanks I bring,

Before the great your praise I sing.

I worship in your holy place

And praise you for your truth and grace;

For truth and grace together shine

In your most holy Word divine,

In your most holy Word divine.

You will stretch forth your mighty arm

To save me when my foes alarm.

The work you have for me begun

Shall by your grace be fully done.

Your love forever will endure:

Your mercy, Lord, is ever sure;

Your mercy, Lord, is ever sure.

*** Blessed Be Your Name**

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,

Where your streams of abundance flow;

Blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place.

Though I walk through the wilderness,

Blessed be your name.

Refrain: Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say,

"Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be your glorious name."

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,

When the world's "all as it should be."

Blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering;

Though there's pain in the offering,

Blessed be your name. *Refrain*

You give and take away,

You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say,

"Lord, blessed be your name."

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be your glorious name."

Prayer of Confession

Grant us clear minds to know you,

new hearts to love you, strong hands to serve you,

help us live this day, this week, and always

so that our whole life is a thanksgiving to you. Amen.

Assurance

God did not send Christ into the world to condemn the

world, but to be its Savior. We can trust God's word.

We are a forgiven people.

Thanks be to God!

A Grateful Heart

(Children 3 years old – 2nd grade are invited to
Children's Church in the Ed. Building during this song.)

A grateful heart is what I bring;

A song of praise, my offering.

Among the saints I lift my voice:

In you, O God, I will rejoice.

With saving love you set us free,

And still you dwell in mystery

With wisdom none can comprehend.

Your praise, O God, will never end.

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Morning Prayer

*** Be Still and Know**

Be still and know that I am God.

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In Thee, O Lord, I put my trust.

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*** Scripture:** *Acts 11:1-18 (NIV)*

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *The Gentiles Also*

*** Baptized in Christ**

Baptized in Christ, we claim his cross, the victory he won.

And, dying we shall rise with him, for we with Christ are one.

Baptized in Christ, we follow him, and we with him shall run

Until we match his every step and so with Christ are one.

Baptized in Christ we testify the kingdom has begun.

Christ sows and reaps throughout the world

And gathers us as one.

* **God's Blessing**

* **We Receive Your Blessing**

We receive Your blessing, we receive Your grace,
As we walk in the light shining from Your face.
May the peace that You give change the way that we live.
We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him, above You heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and praise the Holy Ghost.
We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

The Gentiles Also

Acts 11:1-18

Join us immediately following the service
for our annual Harvest Dinner.
Dinner will be served in both the
Church Basement and Education Building.
Seniors and members with special needs
are welcome to leave during the final song.
Visitors are welcome to join us!

Worship services are broadcast live in the church basement
for anyone who is unable to worship in the sanctuary.
The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system.
Please switch hearing aids to "T" to use this system.

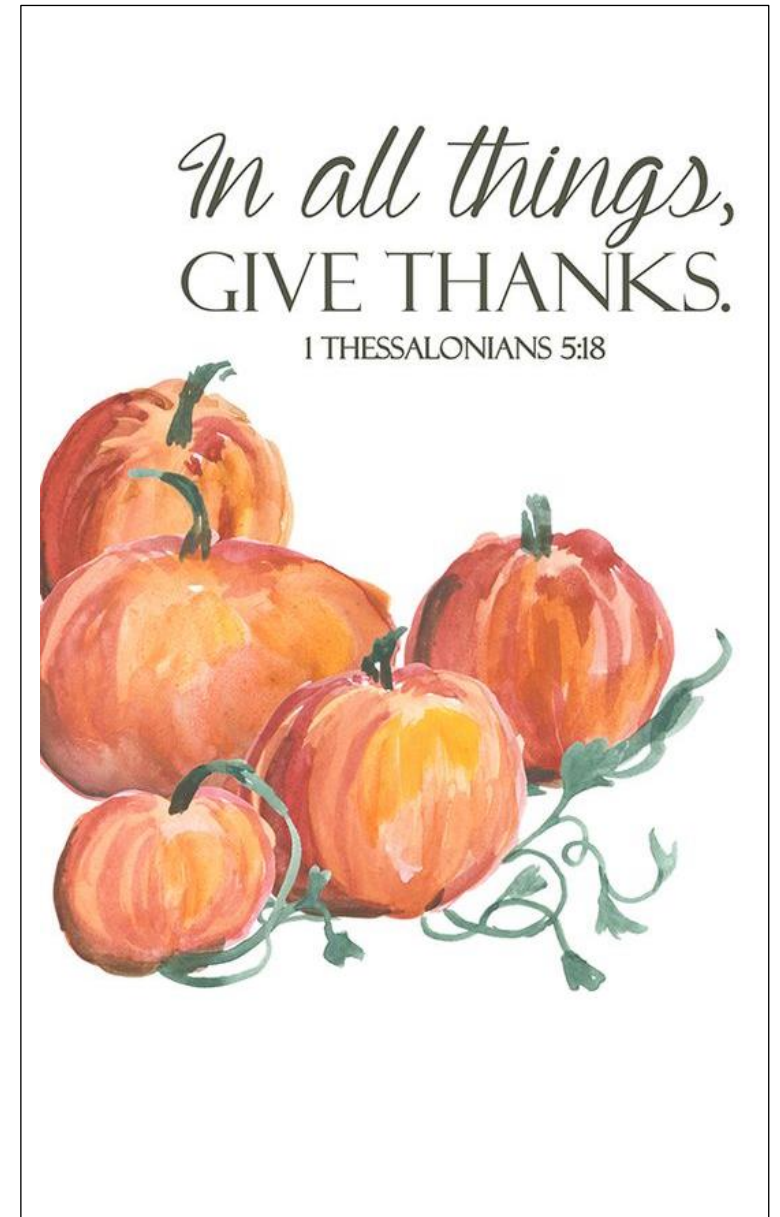
Pastor: Robert

Prayer: Brian, Jim

Music: Sharon, Mike

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