

**St Paul's
UCC**

**Henderson
MN**

**November
20th,
2022**

Organ Prelude

**Ringling of
the Bell**



Happy
THANKSGIVING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Blessed be the name of God, from this time on and forevermore.

People: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of God is to be praised.

Leader: It is good to give thanks to God, to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

**People: To declare your steadfast love
in the morning, and your
faithfulness by night.**

**Leader: Let us open our hearts and our
minds and our souls to the mysteries and
wonders that God holds for us here
today.**

People: Amen.

Now Thank We All Our God #307

Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
to keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
of this world in the next.

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 heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore

***Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

God of goodness and abundance, we come to you with humble hearts. We offer up to you our shortcomings and failings as a testimony of our trust and faith in you. We know you want better for us. We know you want better for our neighbors and our world.

We know your heart breaks as you hear harsh words, short tempers, and critical thoughts. We know you shed tears at the sight of violent hands, starving children, and thirsting souls. We take responsibility for our actions and inactions that cause you sorrow, and ask for forgiveness,

hope, and a new tomorrow. Have
mercy on us, O Lord. Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Words of Assurance

Gloria Patri

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.***



Welcome
So glad you're here...

Holy
Bible

CHILDREN'S SERMON



SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23:33 - 43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing," And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.” “He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

THE SERMON



“God of Grace and God of Glory” #198

Versus 1 and 5

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for thy salvation
be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

Pastoral Prayer - Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever and ever.

Cares Chorus

*I cast all of my cares upon you.
I lay all of my burdens down at your feet.
And any time I don't know what to do,
I will cast all of my cares upon you.*



Invitation

Offertory Music

OFFERING
WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD



Doxology

***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.***

**O God, most merciful and gracious, of whose bounty we have all received: accept, we pray, this offering of your people. Remember in your love those who have brought it and those for whom it is given; and so follow it with your blessing that it may promote peace and goodwill among all people and advance the realm of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

OFFERING PRAYER

“Come Ye Thankful People” #42

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;

all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin.

God our Maker doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown
are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offenses purge away,
giving angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home.

A close-up photograph of an olive branch with several green olives and one dark olive. The branch is positioned diagonally across the upper left portion of the frame. The background is a soft, out-of-focus sunset or sunrise scene with warm orange and yellow light transitioning into a cooler blue and purple hue. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

*Benediction
& Blessing*