

Grateful

St James Lutheran Church

Thanksgiving Eve Service

November 27, 2024

Opening Hymn # 892

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



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 be 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 mak - er, 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 gar - ner 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.

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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

P Holy and gracious God,

C **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**

P By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

C **Amen.**

Psalm

Psalm 50

P The Mighty One, God the LORD,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

C **Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.**

P Our God comes; he does not keep silence;
before him is a devouring fire,
around him a mighty tempest.

C **He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

P “Gather to me my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

C **The heavens declare his righteousness,
for God himself is judge!**

P “Hear, O my people, and I will speak;
O Israel, I will testify against you.
I am God, your God.

C **Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;
your burnt offerings are continually before me.**

P I will not accept a bull from your house
or goats from your folds.

C **For every beast of the forest is mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.**

P I know all the birds of the hills,
and all that moves in the field is mine.

C **“If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the world and its fullness are mine.**

P Do I eat the flesh of bulls
or drink the blood of goats?

C **Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and perform your vows to the Most High,**

P and call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

- C** But to the wicked God says:
**“What right have you to recite my statutes
or take my covenant on your lips?”**
- P** For you hate discipline,
and you cast my words behind you.
- C** If you see a thief, you are pleased with him,
and you keep company with adulterers.
- P** “You give your mouth free rein for evil,
and your tongue frames deceit.
- C** You sit and speak against your brother;
you slander your own mother’s son.
- P** These things you have done, and I have been silent;
you thought that I was one like yourself.
ut now I rebuke you and lay the charge before you.
- C** **“Mark this, then, you who forget God,
lest I tear you apart, and there be none to deliver!”**
- P** The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies me;
to one who orders his way rightly
I will show the salvation of God!”
- C** **Glorify be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 8:1–10

¹“The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ²And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. ⁴Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.”

⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me— practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

¹⁴Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. ¹⁵And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading*Luke 17:11–19*

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”



1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship You, God of our fa - thers, we bless You;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide You have been.
 And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, You will not for - sake us,
 With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.



We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
 And with Your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

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Sermon

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Prayer

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C listen to my cry.

P Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

C hide me in the shadow of Your wings.

P In righteousness I shall see You;

C when I awake, Your presence will give me joy.

P Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

C **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

forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.

C Amen.



1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest, Sing songs of love and praise;
 2 God makes the clouds rain good - ness, The des - erts bloom and spring,
 3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar The gifts His good - ness gave,



With joy - ful hearts and voic - es Your al - le - lu - ias raise.
 The hills leap up in glad - ness, The val - leys laugh and sing.
 The gold - en sheaves of har - vest, The souls Christ died to save.



By Him the roll - ing sea - sons In fruit - ful or - der move;
 God fills them with His full - ness, All things with large in - crease;
 Your hearts lay down be - fore Him When at His feet you fall,



Sing to the Lord of har - vest A joy - ous song of love.
 He crowns the year with bless - ing, With plen - ty and with peace.
 And with your lives a - dore Him Who gave His life for all.

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Announcements

Congregational Meeting

Please mark your calendars for the St. James Annual Congregational Meeting which will be held on December 8th immediately following service. Agenda and Proposed Budget have been emailed to all members and will be available in the narthex this Sunday .

Second Tuesday Women's Bible Study

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday Dec. 10th from 6-8pm in the fellowship hall and will cover section 1 of "Whatever - Keeping Your Heart in Tune With Whatever Life Brings". Please bring an appetizer to share. We will also be doing a cookie exchange. If you'd like to participate, please bring 2 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies. Text Shala Baker at 618-315-0788 with questions.

Farewell Celebration

A farewell celebration for Pastor Mueller and his family will be held on Sunday, December 29th at noon at Metro East Lutheran High School and will be catered by Ravenelli's. Please RSVP by Dec. 15th on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Weber or Tina Enke.

Youth Group Schedule

Please mark your calendars:

- Regular Youth Group Wednesday meetings will be paused during Advent and resume January 8th at the Staake home.
- Jr & Sr High Youth Christmas Party will be held Friday, December 20th at the Staake home 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM.

Sunday School Christmas Program

The Sunday School Christmas Program is scheduled for Sunday, December 22nd at the beginning of worship service. **Practices will be held during the Sunday School hour December 1st and 15th.** Senior High students are encouraged to assist with practice or attend adult Bible study.

Christmas Brunch

Please mark your calendars for the annual St. James Christmas Brunch to be held immediately after worship on Sunday, December 22nd.

Lutheran Young Adults

Join LYA for a Christmas party at the Tuttle's house (350 Westline Ct, Shiloh, IL) on December 7th @ 5:30 PM . Please bring a side, dessert, or drink to share! Pizza will be provided. If you would like to participate in a white elephant gift exchange, please bring a funny gift, regift, or something \$5 or less. Questions? Contact Pastor Kintz 618-233-2299

LWML- Circle of Friends

Circle of Friends will be meeting Saturday, December 7th. at 10:00 AM till 11:30 AM. Paul Darr will be our guest speaker as he talks about his missions to Honduras. Please join us as we support missions to Honduras! Everyone is welcome.

St. James Guiding Statement

Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.

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