

THE HOUSE OF HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"The community keeps its common memory alive
by continually rehearsing the important events of its history."

-James Gustafson, *Treasure in Earthen Vessels*

Thanksgiving Eve | November 27, 2024 7 p.m.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Carillon Prelude

Timothy Short, Carillonneur

Prelude

Improvisation on "Kremser"
Aaron David Miller, Organist

Introit

Take Up Your Cross
The Motet Choir; Matthew Culloton, Choirmaster

Dietrich Buxtehude

+ Opening Hymn 559

We Gather Together

KREMSER

+ Invocation

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson

Leader: Fear not, O children of God,

All: For God has provided for our needs.

Leader: Therefore, may we praise the Lord,

All: Who calls us to provide for one another.

Welcome

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson

Psalm 126 (OT, pp. 572-573 in pew Bible)

Minister: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Anthem

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Healey Willan

Sing to the Lord of harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices
Your alleluias raise.

By Him the rolling seasons
In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest
A song of happy love.

By Him the clouds drop bounty,
The deserts bloom and spring.
The hills leap up in gladness,
The valleys laugh and sing.
He filleth with His fullness,
All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with goodness,
With plenty and with peace.

Heap on his sacred altar
The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest,
The souls He died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him
When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him
Who gave His life for all.

Second Lesson

Matthew 6:25-34 (NT, p. 6 in pew Bible)

Minister: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Meditation

Rev. Phillip J. Romine

It's About Time

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

+ Hymn 554

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

+ Affirmation of Faith — from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Offering of Food and Funds

Please bring your food shelf items to the table. There will be an offering plate on the table to receive cash or checks which will go to support local food shelves. Please come forward using the center aisle and return to your pews by the side aisle.

Anthem

O Sing unto the Lord with Thanksgiving

William Harris

O sing unto the Lord with Thanksgiving,
Sing praises upon the harp unto our God;
Who covereth the heaven with clouds,
And prepareth rain for the earth,
And maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains,
And herb for the use of men;
The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord,
And thou givest them their meat in due season.
Thou openest thine hand,

And fillest all things living with plenteousness.
The Lord is righteous in all his ways,
And holy in all his works.
Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem,
Praise thy God, O Sion.
For he hath made fast the bars of all thy gates,
And blessed thy children within them.
He maketh peace in thy borders,
And filleth thee with the flower of wheat.

+ Offertory Response Hymn 551, Verse 1

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

+ **Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

**We cannot begin to express our gratitude to you, Giver of all,
for your gifts poured into our lives.**

**But let these offerings be used to bring hope, healing,
and peace to all your children, so we may all give thanks to you forever.**

+ **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. Amen.**

+ **Closing Hymn 555**

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

+ **Responsive Benediction**

Leader: Wait no more, O children of God,

All: to share abundantly with one another.

Leader: Now is the season to prepare God's coming among us:

All: let us go forth to prepare our hearths and our hearts.

Leader: May we be of good courage for what lies ahead:

All: for the task of truth-telling and truth-making that is our thanksgiving. Amen.

Postlude

Little Fugue in G Minor, BWV 578

J. S. Bach

+ Stand in body or spirit



Clergy

Rev. Dr. Scott M. Kenefake, Transitional Pastor

Rev. Dr. Julia A. Carlson, Senior Associate Pastor
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We Gather Together

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KREMSER 12.11.12.11

Netherlands folk hymn, 1625
Trans. Theodore Baker, 1894

Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck, 1626
Harm. Eduard Kremser, 1877

1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
3. We all do ex - tol Thee, Thou lead - er tri - um - phant,

He chas - tens and has - tens His will to make known;
Or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing His king - dom di - vine;
And pray that Thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing,
So from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;
Let Thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion;

Sing prais - es to His name; He for - gets not His own.
Thou, Lord, wast at our side; All glo - ry be Thine!
Thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE 6.6.11.6.6.11 D

Welsh folk melody

Katherine K. Davis, 1939; alt.

Harm. Gerald H. Knight (1908-1979)

Unison

1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks - giv - ing
2. By law God en - forc - es. The stars in their cours - es,

To God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;
The sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
The hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains,

By guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
The depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

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Harmony

God's ban - ners are o'er us, Pure light goes be - fore us,
We, too, should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing

A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:
With glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise:

Unison

Till shad - ows have van - ished, All fear - ful - ness ban - ished,
Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks - giv - ing,

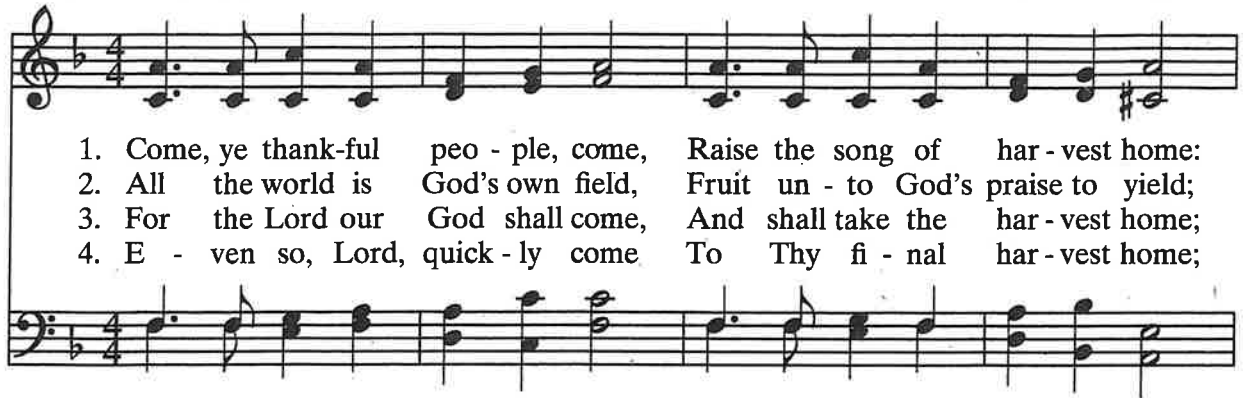
As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to Light.
To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.

551 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

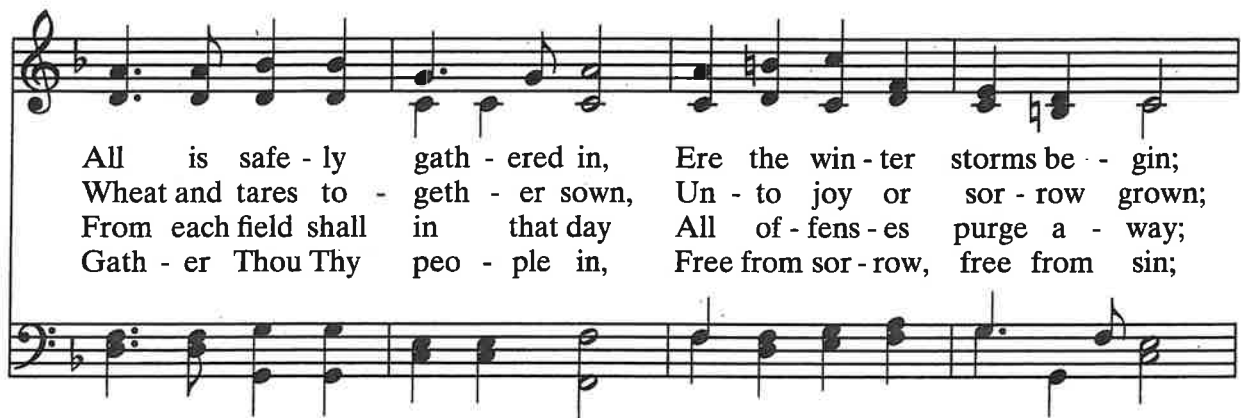
ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR 7.7.7 D

Henry Alford, 1844; alt.

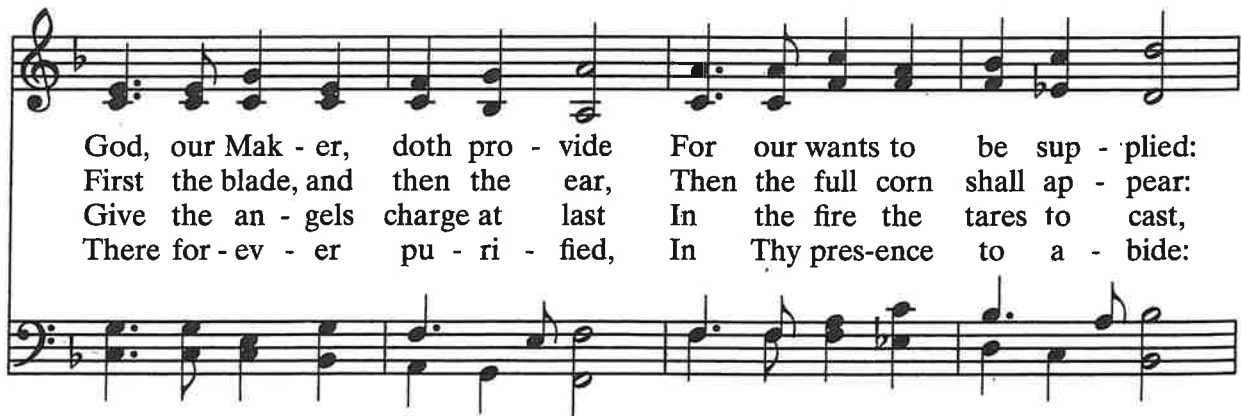
George Job Elvey, 1859



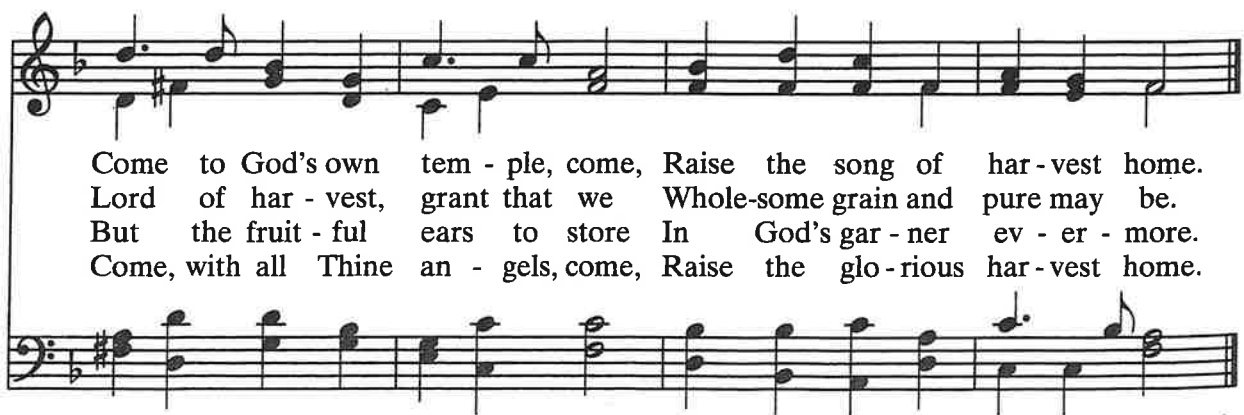
1. Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come, Raise the song of har - vest home:
 2. All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to God's praise to yield;
 3. For the Lord our God shall come, And shall take the har - vest home;
 4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To Thy fi - nal har - vest home;



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 each 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 the 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 God's gar - ner ev - er - more.
 Come, with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6

Martin Rinkart, c. 1636

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.

Stanza 3, *Rejoice in the Lord*, 1985

Johann Crüger, 1648

Harm. adapt. *Lobegesang*, Felix Mendelssohn, 1840

1. Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices,
 2. O may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,
 3. All praise and thanks to God, Who reigns in highest heaven,

Who wondrous things hath done, In whom this world rejoices;
 With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us;
 To Father and to Son And Spirit now be given.

Who, from our mothers' arms, Hath blessed us on our way
 And keep us in God's grace, And guide us when perplexed,
 The one eternal God, Whom heaven and earth adore,

With countless gifts of love, And still is ours to-day.
 And free us from all ills In this world and the next.
 The God who was, and is, And shall be ever more.