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**As We Gather**

The Day of Thanksgiving provides us a special time to pause, reflect, and give thanks to God for His countless blessings in our lives. From our early years, we have likely been told: “Count your blessings!” Can you do that today? As you think about the ways the Lord has blessed you in both body and soul, can you ever count them all? No way! God’s blessings are way too numerous! Nevertheless, as we name our blessings and number them, we pause at each one to say, “Thank You, Lord!” Even when we go through difficult and trying times—and perhaps *especially* when we go through difficult and trying times—it is vitally important for us to learn from the Word of God and, echoing what is recorded in its sacred pages, respond to the Lord in gratitude and worship. In today’s Epistle, we will see how Paul was taught by times of hardship how he could be content. Paul’s awareness of God’s ever-faithful provision led him to “abound” in thanksgiving! May we do the same today, abounding in thanksgiving to the God who “will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:19)!

**PREPARATION**

**588 Jesus Loves Me** *sts. 1, ref*

1 Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong. *Refrain*

*ref Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

**Holy Baptism - Nora Beryl Smith - p. 268**

**588 Jesus Loves Me** *st. 2*

2 Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven’s gates to open wide. He has washed away my sin,  
Lets His little child come in. *Refrain*

*ref Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

**Confession and Absolution** *Psalms 124:8; 130:3–4*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to listen to God’s Word, call upon Him in thanksgiving and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ at His very own Table, let us first consider our unworthiness to be invited to the feast of our Savior and confess before Him our sins of thought, word, and deed. Together, as brothers and sisters in Christ, we turn to our gracious Lord for His pardon and peace, seeking His grace and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen! Thanks be to God!**

**WORD**

**Salutation**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** *Deuteronomy 8:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>“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.

<sup>2</sup>And 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. <sup>3</sup>And 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. <sup>4</sup>Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years.

<sup>5</sup>Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you.

<sup>6</sup>So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. <sup>7</sup>For 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, <sup>8</sup>a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup>a 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. <sup>10</sup>And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** *Psalms 145:15–16; 118:1*

P The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season.

C **You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

P Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

C **His steadfast love endures forever.**

**Epistle** *Philippians 4:6–20*

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

<sup>8</sup>Finally, 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. <sup>9</sup>What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup>I 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. <sup>11</sup>Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. <sup>12</sup>I 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. <sup>13</sup>I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

<sup>14</sup>Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. <sup>15</sup>And 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. <sup>16</sup>Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. <sup>17</sup>Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. <sup>18</sup>I 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. <sup>19</sup>And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup>To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Verse** *Psalm 136:1*

P Alleluia. Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

C **for His steadfast love endures forever. Alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel** *Luke 17:11–19*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**789 Praise and Thanksgiving**

- 1 Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer, For all things living, Created good:  
Harvest of sown fields, Fruits of the orchard, Hay from the mown fields,  
Blossom and wood.
- 2 Bless, Lord, the labor, We bring to serve You, That with our neighbor  
We may be fed. Sowing or tilling, We would work with You,  
Harvesting, milling, For daily bread.
- 3 Father, providing, Food for Your children, By Your wise guiding  
Teach us to share, One with another, So that, rejoicing  
With us, all others, May know Your care.

**Sermon**

**The Fourth Petition**

Give us this day our daily bread.

*What does this mean?*

God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

*What is meant by daily bread?*

Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

**Prayer of the Church**

P Let us pray for all those who come before Jesus with songs of gratefulness and praise and for all people on earth, that we may abound in thanksgiving, this day and always.

For all those who worship You in Spirit and in truth; for all members of this congregation and for all the baptized souls who belong to the Body of Christ; for our unity in Christ Jesus and His Word; for our dedication to His mission to bring the Good News to every corner of the world; and for all who gather at the Lord’s Table today, that hearts may abound in thanksgiving as we receive the foretaste of the heavenly feast to come. Hear our prayer;

C **we abound in thanksgiving to You, O Lord!**

P For our families and our friends; for our relatives and our neighbors, both those who share our Table today and those who are miles away; for our houses and our homes; for our spouses and our children; for food and drink; for laughter and for tears; and for the memories of past times and the expectation of blessings yet to be, that as we gather to celebrate this Thanksgiving Day we may lift our praises to our gracious Creator and Redeemer. Hear our prayer;

C **we abound in thanksgiving to You, O Lord!**

P For our nation, its leaders, public servants, and those who wear its uniform to protect its people; for the land, the businesses, and the schools in our community, that they may be filled with God’s goodness; and for hearts and minds, hands and mouths that are ready to receive their daily bread with thanksgiving, that we recognize every good gift comes from our Father above. Hear our prayer;

C **we abound in thanksgiving to You, O Lord!**

P For the sick, the suffering, and the dying; for those who are hurting in heart, body, mind, and relationship; for those who are hungry and tired, weary and alone, that they may know the healing presence of Jesus and return to Him, fall at His feet, and worship Him; and for those who work to bring needed relief and the Lord’s healing touch to all those for whom we pray, [*especially . . .*]. Hear our prayer;

C **we abound in thanksgiving to You, O Lord!**

P With hearts ever grateful and lives ever thankful, we offer these prayers before You, O Lord, trusting that You hear, answer, and bless us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

## Offering

### Offertory - "Count Your Many Blessings"

1 When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,  
Count your many blessings, name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

*Refrain: Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your blessings, see what God hath done;  
Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.*

2 Are you ever burdened with a load of care? Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?  
Count your many blessings, ev'ry doubt will fly, And you will be singing as the days go by. *Refrain*

3 When you look at others with their lands and gold, Think that Christ has promised you His wealth  
untold; Count your many blessings, money cannot buy, Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high.  
*Refrain*

4 So, amid the conflict, whether great or small, Do not be discouraged, God is over all;  
Count your many blessings, angels will attend, Help and comfort give you to your journey's end. *Refrain*

## SACRAMENT

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You  
created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior.  
With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice  
of His body and His blood on the cross.  
Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew,  
and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink  
His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends  
of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom,  
which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O  
Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever.
- C **Amen.**

### Lord's Prayer

- 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.**

### The Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had  
given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body,  
which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."  
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it  
to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which  
is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance  
of Me."

## Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **Amen.**

## 547 The Lamb

- 1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
Faith sees, believes, God will provide the Lamb of price! Refrain
- ref Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!
- 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering. The Lamb, the Lamb,  
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. Refrain
- 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will, On our behalf the Law to fill. Refrain
- 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives,  
He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain
- 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.  
His song prolong, Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. Refrain

## Distribution Hymns

### 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

- 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee.  
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish, Our weak souls that they may flourish:  
O Lord, have mercy! May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,  
That our sins and sorrows did carry, And Thy blood for us plead  
In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!
- 2 Thy holy body into death was given, Life to win for us in heaven.  
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast thereof remind us!  
O Lord, have mercy! Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee  
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!
- 3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor, That we follow Christ our Savior  
And live together here in love and union, Nor despise this blest Communion!  
O Lord, have mercy! Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;  
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see  
Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!

### 806 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart (Screen)

#### 680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

- 1 Thine the amen Thine the praise, Alleluias angels raise  
Thine the everlasting head, Thine the breaking of the bread  
Thine the glory Thine the story, Thine the harvest then the cup  
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.
- 2 Thine the life eternally, Thine the promise let there be  
Thine the vision Thine the tree, All the earth on bended knee

Gone the nailing gone the railing, Gone the pleading gone the cry  
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

- 3 Thine the truly Thine the yes, Thine the table we the guest  
Thine the mercy all from Thee, Thine the glory yet to be  
Then the ringing and the singing, Then the end of all the war  
Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.
- 4 Thine the kingdom Thine the prize, Thine the wonder full surprise  
Thine the banquet then the praise, Then the justice of Thy ways  
Thine the glory Thine the story, Then the welcome to the least  
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.
- 5 Thine the glory in the night, No more dying only light  
Thine the river Thine the tree, Then the Lamb eternally  
Then the holy holy holy, Celebration jubilee  
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

### Post-Communion Canticle 785 We Praise You, O God

- 1 We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.  
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You; We bless Your holy name,  
glad praises we sing.
- 2 We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You; Through trial and tempest our guide  
You have been, When perils o’ertake us, You will not forsake us,  
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.
- 3 With voices united our praises we offer, And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.  
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

### Post-Communion Thanksgiving

- P Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty Father, everlasting God, that You have freely given to us  
the blessing of Your Son’s body and blood. As we go forth from Your Table to share in Your  
many blessings in our own homes and on our own tables, help us to abound in thanksgiving  
and love all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with  
You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

### Benediction

- P And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.
- C **To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.**
- P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

### 805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

- D 1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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