

WORSHIP SERVICE
Thanksgiving Service
November 17, 2024

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship (Psalm 95: 1-2)

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;

Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before him with thanksgiving

And extol him with music and song.

* Opening Song: "He Has Made Me Glad"

Sing! A New Creation #13

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.

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* Opening Prayer

* Song: "Sing To The Lord of Harvest" *Lift Up Your Hearts #398*

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 joyful song of love.

God makes the clouds drop fatness, The deserts bloom and spring;
The hills leap up in gladness, The valleys laugh and sing:
God fills from his great 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 Christ 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.

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD (Psalm 65)

*Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,
O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.*

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

*Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.*

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

*By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with
might. You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the
tumult of the peoples.*

Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. Shout to the Lord, all the earth. Let us sing.

*You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is
full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared
it. Your water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with
showers, and blessing its growth.*

You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

*The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,
the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves
with grain, they shout and sing together for you.*

Shout to the Lord, all the earth. Let us sing.

Song of Response: "Now Thank We All Our God"

Lift Up Your Hearts #543

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 in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Luke 17: 11-19

¹¹ Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³ and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

¹⁴ When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶ He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Message: One Returned To Give Thanks

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "Give Thanks" *Sing! A New Creation #216*

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "We are strong!"

let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"

And now let the weak say, "We are strong!"

let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"

Give thanks. Give thanks.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "For The Fruit Of All Creation"

Lift Up Your Hearts #396

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.

In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.

In our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Jeff Kopaska

Congregational Prayer: Mark Voss

Message: Rev. Tom Niehof

Musicians: Kathlyn Copley, Elijah Goossen, Elijah Hufford, Derek TenPas, Maggie VanDyk

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Peter Fish/ World Renew during the Children's message. Please help the children of Trinity collect change, which will be given to the World Hunger Campaign: Fish for Change! (an initiative of World Renew). We ask that the Peter Fish be returned this Sunday.

This week's special offering is for Tyler and Christina are in Stellenbosch, South Africa, where Tyler is serve as pastor to an international church (SIF). The church exists to be a "global family in Christ", serving students, migrant workers, and refugees from around the world. Please consider a gift towards Tyler and Christina's work to reach out to non-Christians with the Gospel, and to disciple Christians to be witnesses to Christ and the Kingdom in all areas of life

There are “thank you” acorns and other small color designs on the front table. They are for everyone to color, as we will add them to the seasonal bulletin board.

It's time to sign up to sponsor a poinsettia to enhance our sanctuary during our Advent season. The poinsettias will appear the first day of Advent Dec 1 and can be taken home after the Dec 29 service. The cost will be \$11. Please put a check in the offering basket with "Poinsettia" on the memo line of the check. The deadline to order and pay is Sunday November 24. Please direct any questions to Pam Voss,

Hymn Sing: Join Andrew Friend and Elijah Goossen for an Advent hymn sing at Trinity on **December 1 at 5:00** pm! Bring ideas for hymns and songs and we can sing them and talk about them together. Please let us know ahead of time for songs not in the red *Lift Up Your Hearts* or green *Sing! A New Creation* hymnals so we can make sure everyone will have music.

Sunday school has started. The Adult Sunday School class will meet in Room 7. Melody Franje and Rex De Bruin will lead a discussion on different faith practices and how to incorporate these spiritual disciplines into our personal and communal lives.

Children's Christmas Program will be December 15th more information to come

The church will be in use **Saturday on November 16th** from 9 am to 1 pm. A homeschool children's handcraft fair - crafts made by children. The fair will run from 10am to noon. All are welcome to come and check out the crafts that these kids have made.

Randy will be on vacation November 12 – 17 and December 26 -31

Pam will be on vacation November 29 – December 13

There is printout of Birthdays, Greeters, Congregational Prayer, Nursery, and Children's message on the table outside the office. This has been updated into early 2025. The directory with the newest updates. is on the table outside the office. Please review your changes if you made any. If you have changes or need to add info, please do it on this sheet.

Children and Worship - During our morning worship service, immediately following the children's message, ages three through third grade are invited to attend, meeting in room 3, located to the south of the sanctuary. Children experience worship in the same order as in the sanctuary: we approach God in reverence, hear His Word proclaimed, respond in praise, and go forth in peace and love to serve in God's name. Visitors are welcome to attend. Please pick up your child(ren) at the end of the service



Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates

Sunday School Classes 10:50 am, after church and fellowship time

Children and Worship – Happening after the children's message

Breakfast Club meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Lincoln Center Hy-Vee at 8:30 AM.

UFO meets the 3rd Monday of the month

Women's Bible Study Will meet the first Monday of the month

Pub Theology meets the last Sunday of the month, Nov 24th 7 pm
Mucky Duck.

Next Council meeting is December 11th

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, November 17 is Chaplaincy Sunday in the CRC.

Chaplains of the CRC are exceptional, well-trained ministers of the

Word or commissioned pastors who serve in specialized ministries beyond the walls of the church. We have the opportunity to donate to Thrive today and help them provide the necessary professional training and resources for chaplains. Find information and resources at crcna.org/ChurchYear

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Advent begins on December 1. How will you celebrate the season of Advent this year? Whether you light an Advent wreath at home each week, use a Jesse Tree devotional guide, or follow a daily Advent calendar—there are lots of ways to prepare your heart for the celebration of Christ’s coming at Christmastime. Gather any supplies you’ll need, and check out the helpful ideas in this post: bit.ly/ThriveAdventResources. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Chaplaincy Sunday - Today churches throughout the CRCNA take time to pray for and encourage the frontline work of chaplains. Thrive endorses, trains, advocates, and provides care for these specialized ministers and pastors as they serve in institutional settings. Support this essential and exciting ministry focus of Thrive by giving at: crcna.org/Chaplaincy/Donate

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Beatitude 7: Peacemakers - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Matthew 5:9 says, “God blesses those people who make peace. They will be called his children! God wants each of us to do our part to bring peace to the world. When we do that, God’s love spreads. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Kids in Action video Bookmarks for Peace.

Groundwork: The Day of the Lord - Have you ever wondered what will happen when Christ returns? Join our Groundwork conversation as we study 2 Peter 3 to reflect on God’s divine timing and patience, and learn from Peter what we should expect and how we can live holy, purposeful lives in light of the coming Day of the Lord. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

CRC Heritage Fund

Beyond Cash - Year End Giving - As the year end approaches and you think about a donation to your church (and other charities), please remember that those gifts must be received and deposited by December 31 to count for the 2024 tax year. To learn about giving from your IRA and other ways to give beyond cash donations visit: crcna.org/heritagefund

Resonate Global Mission

A Unique Mission Trip for Teenagers - Join a group of teenagers from multiple countries on a trip across three Central American countries (Costa Rica, El Salvador, and Guatemala) to learn more about these countries' histories and learn how local ministry leaders are working to meet the needs of communities in difficult realities. This is a great opportunity to grow in your faith and understanding of mission! Learn more and apply online at www.resonateglobalmission.org/encounter

VOLUNTEERS

Congregational Prayer: Mark Voss
Sound: Rex De Bruin
Nursery Elaine and Brianna
Children's message: Jeff Kopaska
Greeters: Voss

Greeters

November 17	Voss	January 5	N Klemme
November 24	Huber	January 12	Kleinwolterink
December 1	Hufford	January 19	Kopaska
December 8	Friend	January 26	Kuyper
December 15	Hallihan	February 2	Niehof
December 22	Hertz	February 9	Niemeyer
December 29	Irvin	February 16	Nikkel

Nursery

Nov 17	Kristy and Brianna	Dec 29	Elaine and Elizabeth H
Nov 24	Lyndee and Elaine	Jan 5	Mindy and Caraline
Dec 1	Rachel and Cassie	Jan 12	Megan and Stacy
Dec 8	Sue F and Pam N	Jan 19	Judy and Alisabeth
Dec 15	Jessica and Kenzie	Jan 26	Mary K and Kathlyn
Dec 22	Donna and Melody	Feb 2	Lyndee and Brianna

Feb 9 Rachel and Kristy

Feb 16 Melody and Cassie

Children's Message

November 17 Jeff Kopaska
November 24 Stacy Hertz
December 1 Deb Niehof
December 8 Rex De Bruin
December 15 Randy Raak
December 22 Donna and Sue F
December 29 Lora Copley
January 5 Laura Hufford

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