



November 21/22, 2020

Prelude

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”
Alex Clements, piano ~ Amy Smith, organ

arr. Joel Raney

Welcome

Rev. Adrian N. Doll

Call to Worship

Psalm 34:3; 136:1, 3-4; and 118:24

O magnify the LORD with me,
Let us exalt God’s name together.

With boldness and wonder and expectation,
we come to worship God.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast loves endures forever;
who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast loves endures forever.

This is the day that the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Musical Selection

“We Gather Together”

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still our Defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation:
Thy name be ever praised; O Lord, make us free!

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:
Thou, Lord, wast at our side-- all glory be Thine!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, like many believers before us, we complain when things do not go our way.
We want an abundance of everything rather than what is sufficient to sustain us.
We would rather be elsewhere than where we are at the moment.
We would rather have the gifts you give to others than what you provide for us.
We would rather have you serve us than serve you.
Forgive our lack of gratitude for what you give,
and give us hearts filled with Thanksgiving not only today, but always. Amen.

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Assurance of Pardon

Musical Selection "Amazing Grace/Un Sospiro" arr. Joel Raney
Amy Smith, piano

New Testament Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Sermon "Giving Thanks in All Circumstances" Rev. Adrian N. Doll

Musical Selection "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" arr. Alex Clements
Alex Clements, piano

The Prayers of God's People and The Lord's Prayer

Musical Selection "Now Thank We All Our God"

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices; Who, from our mothers' arms Hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.	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 heav'n adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.
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O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

Benediction

Postlude "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" arr. Joel Raney
Alex Clements, piano ~ Amy Smith, organ

Sanctuary Flowers – Today's flowers are given by Aubrie Jones in loving memory of her sister, Tricia Washburn.

Livestream Fall Concert Series - The final concert in GVPC's Livestream Fall Concert Series is Saturday, December 12 at 7:00 pm with "A Christmas Night of Worship" featuring Kaymen Carter, Alex Clements, Yvonne Cox, Casey Dakus, Carlos Guerrero, Athena Mertes, Amy Smith, The Tierney Brothers, and Denise Wunderlich.

Hoodie Coat Drive - The Missions Committee is gratefully accepting donations for the Hoodie-Coat Drive through TODAY. Please note "coat drive" on your check or pew envelope.

2021 Stewardship Campaign "Gratitude for Today, Hope for Tomorrow" – The Stewardship Committee would like to thank all who have prayerfully considered your stewardship in terms of financial support for the upcoming year and have returned the 2021 Pledge Card. You can still complete a pledge card and place it in the offering basket or in the Pledge Card Box in the Narthex.