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ORDER FOR THE  
PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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COMMITMENT SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 24, 2019

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.*

For many of us, Thanksgiving is our favorite holiday, yet a thankful heart often eludes us in daily life. As we prepare for worship, let us specifically count the blessings for which we should give thanks. The psalmist describes worship as entering into the Lord's gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise.

Remember the Apostle Paul's probing question: "What do you have that you did not receive?" (*1 Corinthians 4:7b*). If we regularly ask this of ourselves, it will produce in us a thankful spirit.

May the Lord cause us to see all that God is for us and all that God has done for us in our Lord Jesus Christ. As a result, may our hearts be filled with thankfulness.

### A Prayer of Preparation

*Most loving Father,  
whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things,  
to fear nothing but the loss of You,  
and to cast all our care on You who cares for us.  
Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties,  
that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us  
the light of that love, which is immortal,  
and which you have revealed to us in Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.*

## ENTER HIS COURTS WITH THANKSGIVING

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Festive Alleluias" . . . . . Dan Miller

*Samuel Metzger, organ*

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "The Prayer of St. Gregory" . . . . . Alan Hovhannes

*David Spencer, trumpet*

CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Todd Erickson

♣HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 98 "Now Thank We All Our God" . . . . . NUN DANKET

*Words: Martin Rinkart / Music: Johann Crüger / 1 Chronicles 29:13*

♣INVOCATION (*Please lift hands*)

♣PSALTER READING: Psalm 95:1-7 . . . . . Rusty Shappley (8:15)  
Rong Zhou (11:00)

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.

**In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.

**Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

For he is our God,  
**and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” . . . . . ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR

*Words: Henry Alford / Music: George Elvey / Matthew 13:39*

**Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home:  
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied:  
Come to God’s own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.**

RECEIVE HIS PARDON WITH JOY

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, our heavenly Father,  
You are our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.  
Every good and perfect gift comes from You.  
Yet we confess that we have received Your gifts with a thankless heart  
and have doubted Your generous heart.  
We have murmured and complained against You.  
We have failed to give thanks to You in all circumstances.  
Empower us to cast off the spiritually unhealthy weight of thanklessness  
that is slowing us down in our race of faith.  
May Your Holy Spirit so rule us that You give us victory  
over this and all the other sinful tendencies of our hearts.  
For we pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON . . . . . I Peter 1:3-5

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,  
to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading,  
kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded  
through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*

A WORD ON STEWARDSHIP

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✦ DOXOLOGY . . . . . OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING . . . . . Brett Powell

✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN . . . . . Brian Lewis

# EMBRACE HIS CALL TO HUMILITY

✦PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *(please stand)*

**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.**

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" . . . . . D. Funderburk

*Words: Henry Lyte / Music: John Goss; arr. Duane Funderburk / Psalm 103:22*

*The Chancel Choir:*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!  
Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,  
To His feet thy tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor  
To our fathers in distress;  
Praise Him, still the same as ever,  
Slow to chide, and swift to bless;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Fatherlike, He tends and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame He knows;  
In His hands He gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.  
Alleluia!

✦*Congregation stands and sings:*

**Angels in the height adore Him;  
You behold Him face to face;  
Saints triumphant bow before Him;  
Gathered in from ev'ry race;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.  
Amen! Amen, Amen!**

SCRIPTURE LESSON . . . . . Exodus 12:1-14  
*(page 53 in the pew Bible)*

The grass withers, the flower fades,  
**but the Word of our God will stand forever.** *(Isaiah 40:8)*

SERMON *Starting Over* George Robertson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

COLLECTION OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT CARDS

♠HYMN OF COMMITMENT:

"My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness" . . . . . Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Words and Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend / Hebrews 12:28

1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who bore my pain,  
 2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who walks be - side,  
 3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who reigns a - bove,

who plumbed the depths of my dis-grace and gave me life a - gain,  
 who floods my weak-ness - es and strengths and caus-es fear to fly,  
 whose wis - dom is my per-fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love,

who crushed my curse of sin - ful-ness and clothed me in his light,  
 whose ev - 'ry prom-ise is e-nough for ev - 'ry step I take,  
 for ev - 'ry day I have on earth is giv - en by the King.

and wrote his law of righ-teous-ness with pow'r up - on my heart.  
 sus - tain - ing me with arms of love and crown - ing me with grace.  
 So I will give my life, my all to love and fol - low him.

♠BENEDICTION (please lift hands)

♠CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Carillon-Sortie" . . . . . Mulet

♠Indicates congregation standing

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## I. Repentance

## II. Love

## III. New Obedience

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