

# Order of Worship for 10/14/21

10am CST

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## Ringling of the Bell

## Welcome & Announcements

## Prelude

## Call to Worship.

Leader: O give thanks to God for all the goodness we are shown!

**People: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: We come from the east and the west, the north and the south,

**People: to give God thanks and praise!**

## Opening Prayer (all)

We pour out our thanksgiving, Gracious God, for this land of richness and beauty, overflowing with trees, grain, fruits, and resources of every kind. The good earth has yielded abundant harvests and supported commerce and industry unimagined by our forebears. In times of trial and deepest need your hand has sustained us. Your mercy, undeserved and often unappreciated, has been with us in many difficult places. At this time of year, we pause to name all for which we are grateful. Amen.

## Opening Hymn

### **I Will Give Thanks with My Whole Heart**

#247 Presbyterian Hymnal

1.

I will give thanks with my whole heart, Before the gods my praise express;  
I will bow down before Your throne And praise your love and faithfulness.

2.

Above all things, I Lord, my God, You glorified Your name and Word;  
I called and then You answered me And gave me increased strength, O Lord.

3.

All kings on earth who hear Your words, O Lord, will give You thanks and praise  
And tell how great Your glory is, And they will sing of all Your ways.

4.

The Lord is high, yet scorns the proud, Protects the lowly on their path;  
Although I walk in trouble, Lord, You keep me safe from my foe's wrath.

5.

Lord, Your right hand shall save my life And make Your purpose for me sure;  
Do not forsake what You have made; Your love forever will endure.

**Prayer of Confession  
(all)**

Gracious God: each morning You give us the gift of a brand new day, so we may enjoy life and give You glory. We confess we engage in cynical put-downs. We find fault rather than give praise. We fail to say “thank you.” We give witness to some other god, but not to You. Turn us around and fill us with Your joy and generosity so we can’t help but be grateful and cheerful. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Hymn of Response**

**Give Thanks** (2x)  
#2036 Sing the Faith

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, “I am strong”;  
let the poor say “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”

**First  
Scripture Reading**

Psalm 126 (p. 572)

**Piano Solo**

**Second  
Scripture Reading**

Matthew 6:25-33 (p. 6)

**Sermon**

**Early and Often**  
Pastor Dave Comstock

**Affirmation of Faith**

**Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He arose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,  
from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.

## Hymn

### **Seek Ye First**

#333 Presbyterian Hymnal

1.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia!

2.

Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia!

## Offertory Call & Offertory Music

## Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### The Invitation

#### ***The Great Thanksgiving Prayer and the Lord's Prayer***

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## Words of Institution and Distribution

## Communion Music

## Prayer following Communion

## Closing Hymn

### **Give Thanks, O Christian People**

#552 Presbyterian Hymnal

1.

Give thanks, O Christian people, For workers of our day  
Who heed the call to service And make it their life's way  
To go to feed the hungry, To tend to those in need,  
To work for equal justice, Till all God's folk are freed.

2.

Give thanks, O Christian people, For leaders of our years  
Who live to share with others Our joy when Christ appears,  
To teach the ones who seek light, To guide the faltering feet,  
To lead the followers forward Our living Lord to meet.

3.  
Give thanks, O Christian people, For all who love the Lord,  
Who live each day believing In God's eternal Word:  
To share Christ's love in living, To witness with each deed,  
To use the talents given To plant the gospel seed.

4.  
Give thanks, O Christian people, For life in fellowship  
With all who trust our Savior Their serving to equip  
To ease another's burdens, to cope in joy and stress,  
To magnify God's message And Christ's great love confess.

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

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