

Saint Matthew's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Morning Prayer: Rite Two
Thanksgiving Day
November 26th, 2020
Eight o'clock in the morning

The People are invited to read the words in bold.

+ T H E W O R D O F G O D +

The Officiant begins

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins to against God and our neighbor.

The Officiant and People say together

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant

The earth is the Lord's for he made it:

People

Come let us adore him.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness

and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

he himself has made us, and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

go into his courts with praise; *

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;

his mercy is everlasting; *

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Officiant

The earth is the Lord's for he made it:

People

Come let us adore him.

Psalm 65

The People are invited to read the verses in bold at home.

¹ You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *

to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

² **To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, ***

because of their transgressions.

³ Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.

⁴ **Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.**

⁵ Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.

⁶ **You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.**

⁷ You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.

⁸ **Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your
marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.**

⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.

¹⁰ **You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.**

¹¹ You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

¹² **You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.**

¹³ May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.

¹⁴ **May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.**

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

Moses said to all Israel: For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

"He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever."

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 19

The Song of the Redeemed

**O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages.**

**Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name? ***

for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Third Lesson

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Homily

The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach
with help from the congregation

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People say together

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy
Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and
was buried. He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again. He ascended into
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again 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 the life everlasting Amen.**

The Prayers

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon Let us pray.

Deacon and People say together

**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, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Deacon

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are invited to speak aloud their intercessions as well as the things for which they are particularly thankful this year.

A Litany of Thanksgiving

The Deacon leads and the People respond at home with the words in bold.

Let us give thanks to God for all the gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ.

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;
To him be praise and glory, with you, O God, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Priest blesses the People saying

God of abundance, on this Thanksgiving Day, we give you thanks for all the gifts you have given us, for all that sustains our life, for the bounty of farm and field, for the love of friends and family. I pray that your love will bless each of their homes, their hearths, their tables, their food, and their loved ones this day. And whether they gather with many or few, may they know the peace of your presence which promises us health, wholeness, and life. That the rest of their lives might overflow with thanksgiving for your love and goodness. And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Worship Leaders

Officiant & Preacher

The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach

Deacon

The Rev. Dcn. Don Burr

Lectors

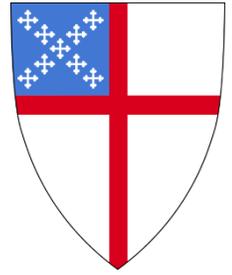
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Happy Thanksgiving!

At St. Matt's, we're especially thankful for you.

Next Week: Worship online again with St. Matthew's

There are many ways to connect with St. Matt's in the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on our website and social media as well as our e-news. There you'll find information and opportunities to connect for friends and members of all ages.



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