Thursday after November 21
THANKSGIVING DAY
(Outside the Postfesitve period of the Entrance)

melody: Pod tvoj pokrov/We Hasten to Your Patronage
text: Matthias Claudius, 1782; tr. J. M. Campbell, 1861

Hymn

1. We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land,
2. He only is the Maker of all things near and far;
3. We thank You then, O Father, for all things bright and good,

But it is fed and watered by God’s almighty hand;
He paints the way-side flow-er, He lights the ev’ning star.
The seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food:

He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The winds and waves obey Him, by Him, the birds are fed;
No gifts have we to offer for all Your love im-parts,

The breezes and the sunshine, the soft, refresh-ing rain.
Much more to us, His children, He gives our daily bread.
But that which You desire of us—our humble, thank-ful hearts.

Refrain

For all good gifts a-round us are sent from heav’n above;

Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all His grace and love.
You made the earth, O God, and all it contains. You have given us a share in your life. All creation sings praise to you. As our forefathers gave thanks to you after coming to these shores, we, your unworthy servants, also give thanks on this day for all your benefits bestowed throughout the years.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and ever. Amen.

Today, O faithful, sing to God your thanksgiving hymns; learning Scripture’s command to give thanks with heart as well as lips, and to seal
heart and lips with blessed deeds. Let America play her thankful part among the nations, giving praise to our saving Lord, the benefactor of our souls.

Prokeimenon - Tone 2 (Psalm 115:8,3):

A Thanksgiving sacrifice I make; I shall call on the Lord's name,

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Verse: What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 117:21,28):

Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

Verse: I shall thank you for you have answered and you are my Savior.
Verse: You are my God, I thank you; my God, I praise you.
Communion Hymns:

The First Hymn is (Psalm 68:31):

The Second Hymn is (Psalm 66:7):