

Thursday after November 21

THANKSGIVING DAY

(Outside the Postfestive 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 scat - ter the good seed on the land,
2. He on - ly is the Mak - er of all things near and far;
3. We thank You then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good,



But it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand;
He paints the way-side flow - er, He lights the ev'n - ing star.
The seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food:



He sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The winds and waves o - bey Him, by Him, the birds are fed;
No gifts have we to of - fer for all Your love im - parts,



The breez - es and the sun - shine, the soft, re - fresh - ing rain.
Much more to us, His chil - dren, He gives our dai - ly bread.
But that which You de - sire of us— our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

Refrain

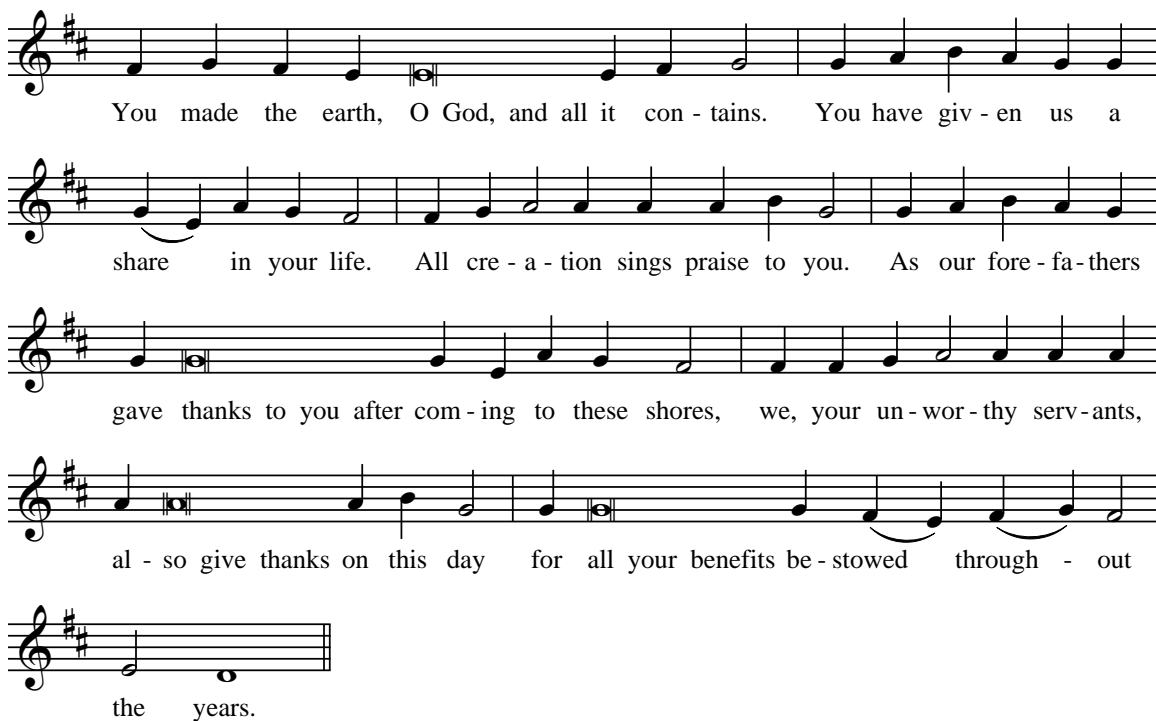


For all good gifts a - round us are sent from heav'n a - bove;



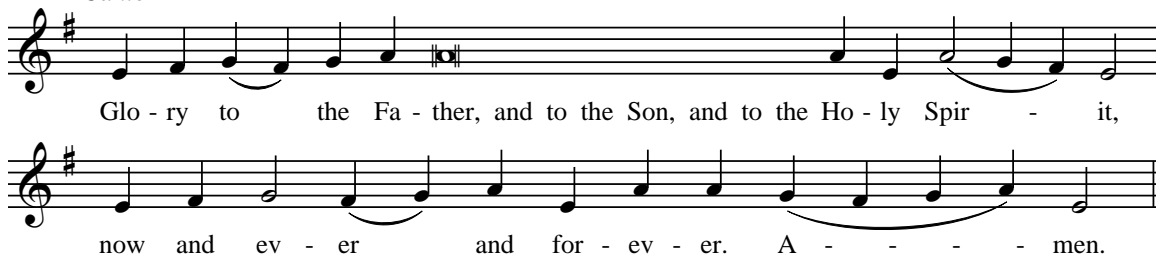
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all His grace and love.

Troparion - Tone 7



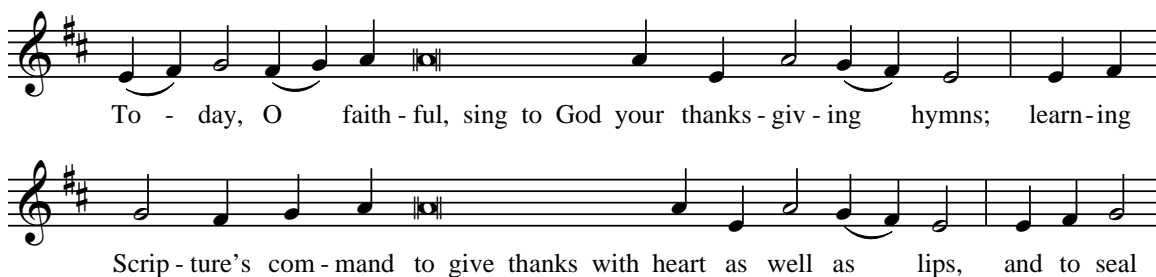
You made the earth, O God, and all it con - tains. You have giv - en us a
share in your life. All cre - a - tion sings praise to you. As our fore - fa - thers
gave thanks to you after com - ing to these shores, we, your un - wor - thy serv - ants,
al - so give thanks on this day for all your benefits be - stowed through - out
the years.

Cantor



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - - - - men.

Kontakion - Tone 3



To - day, O faith - ful, sing to God your thanks - giv - ing hymns; learn - ing
Scrip - ture's com - mand to give thanks with heart as well as lips, and to seal

heart and lips with bless - ed deeds. Let A - mer - i - ca play her thankful part
a - mong the na - tions, giv - ing praise to our sav - ing Lord, the ben - e - fac - tor
of our souls.

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

A thanks - giving sacri - fice I make; I shall call on the Lord's name,
I shall call on the Lord's name.

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):

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I shall praise God's name, God's name with song; I shall glo-ri-fy him



with thanks-giv-ing, I shall glo-ri-fy him with thanks-giv-ing.



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

The Second Hymn is (Psalm 66:7):

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The earth has yield-ed, has yield-ed its fruit, for God, our God,



has blessed us, for God, our God, has blessed us. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



Al-le-lu-ia!