

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 26, 2025
7:00 p.m.

"We give thanks to you Lord, for you are good; your steadfast love endures forever."

—Psalm 136:1

Welcome!

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about St. Philip the Deacon and its ministries, please stop by one of the Hospitality Desks, located near Fellowship Hall (upper level) and the east church entrance (lower level), visit our website:

spdlc.org, or call the church at 763-475-7100.

New Member Class

If you are interested in joining St. Philip the Deacon, please attend our next New Member Class:

Monday, Jan. 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Register at spdlc.org/register or contact Cindy Carlson at 763-475-7115. Childcare is available. New Members will be received on Sunday, Feb. 1.

The following resources are available in the Narthex:

- Williams Sound System hearing devices
- Reading glasses
- Children's worship bulletins
- Rainbow Activity Bags for children
- Coloring pages/crayons

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Prelude

Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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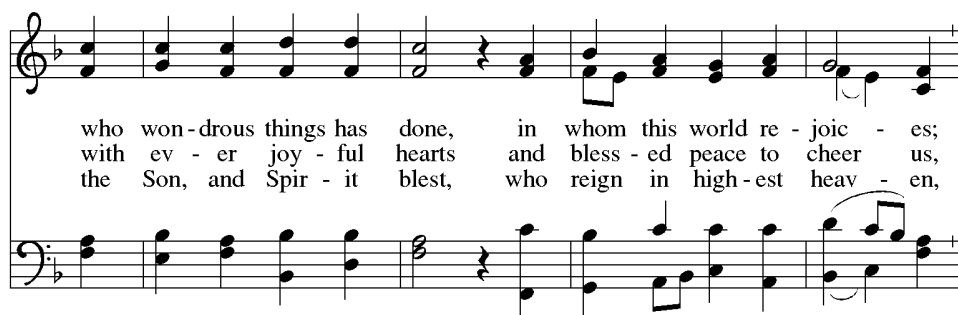
Opening Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

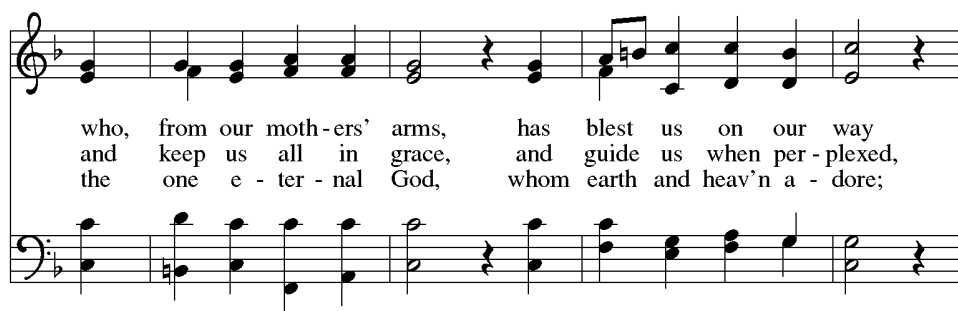
Red Hymnal #840



1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,



who, from our mothers' arms, has blessed us on our way
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Today's Worship**Participants****Musicians**

Celina Kobetitsch, organ

Eric Moon, trumpet

Nathan Moon, trumpet

SPD Quartet

Debi Kilde

Susan Ramlet

Laurent Kuehnl

Woody Woodward

Readers

Maggie Danielson

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Thanks to the worship
assistants helping out
during this special service.

Greeting

May the God of hope give you fullness of peace, and may the Lord of life be with you all.
And also with you.

Invocation, Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Let us come before God, seeking forgiveness and life.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our maker and redeemer,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We come for refuge to your infinite mercy. You have given your only Son to die for us; have mercy on us, and for his sake, forgive us all our sin. By your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and your will, and true obedience to your word, that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God has had mercy on us, and God's only Son has been given to die for us, and for his sake God † forgives us all our sin. Believing in Jesus' name, you have received power to become the children of God; you have received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

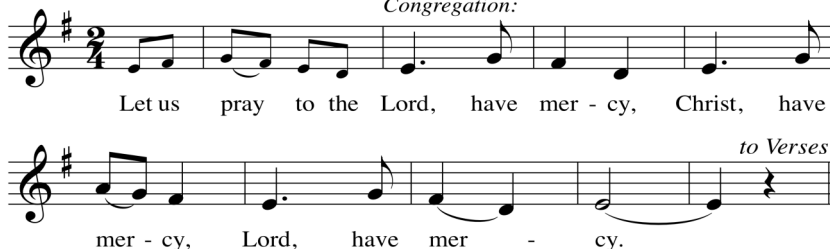
Amen

Kyrie

The cantor sings: In peace, in peace.

Refrain

Congregation:



to Verses

Cantor: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all... (Refrain)

Cantor: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to
live your word (Refrain)

Cantor:



Congregation:

Hymn of Praise*Now the Feast and Celebration*

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion
sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;
praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has
freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

Refrain

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and
glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of
God; to make all things new.

Refrain

Salutation and Prayer of the Day*The minister greets the people:*

Presider: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Let us pray... **Amen***Please be seated***You're Invited**

Please join us for pie in Fellowship Hall following this evening's service. Everyone is welcome!

Christmas Care: Gifts and Prayers

Thank you for reaching out to those in need through our holiday ministries. St. Philip the Deacon generously supports local missions that serve our neighbors who are in need. Our prayers and gifts will help make the lives of 544 shelter residents a little brighter during a difficult time of the year. This year, you may sign up in two ways, either in person at the Giving Tables in the narthex, where we would be happy to assist you tonight, or online at spdlc.org/register. If online, you will receive all the information and a gift label in the mail. Additionally, we are hoping to collect 700 new books for children of all ages, and funds, matched up to \$25,000, for holiday food baskets, the food shelf, and other feeding ministries of Community Bridge/Messiah in Minneapolis. You may pick up a Christmas Care brochure with all the information. Please know your gifts and prayers will put smiles on the faces of men, women, and children, and let them know someone is thinking of them. Thank you.

Notes on the Notes

Sigfrid Karg-Elert's *Nun danket alle Gott* is part of his 66 *Chorale Improvisations*, Op. 65—a collection he composed between 1906 and 1908 and published in 1909. The set was designed for practical church use, with short organ pieces based on well-known Lutheran hymns arranged roughly in the order of the church year. *Nun danket alle Gott* ("Now Thank We All Our God") appears near the end of the collection and offers a brief musical introduction to the familiar hymn. Although Karg-Elert is known for writing many works for the harmonium, this collection is widely recognized as his first major group of pieces written specifically for the pipe organ. Because of its clear structure and its connection to a beloved hymn, this prelude quickly became one of his most frequently used pieces in worship settings.

The Lesson

Philippians 4:4-9

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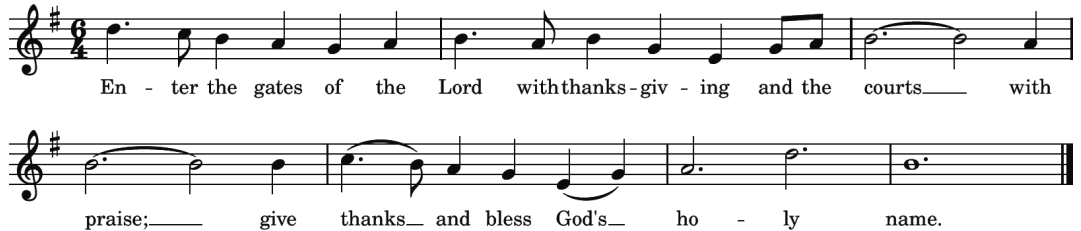
Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 100

William Bradley Roberts

Refrain

¹Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

²Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;

we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture. *Refrain*

³Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.

⁴God indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age. *Refrain*

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

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After the announcement, the people stand and say **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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."

At the conclusion, the people say **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Hymn of the Day*For the Fruit of All Creation*

See back of bulletin

Please be seated

Responsive Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our prayers this evening will lift up our gratitude for life, family and friends, creation, home, generosity, peace, the church and God. We will end each petition with either "we thank you this night" or "we pray to you this night." When you hear the words "this night," please respond, **"Most gracious and generous God."**

Offering

O Praise Ye the Lord

S. Drummond Wolff

Your offerings can be left in the offering plates at the entrance to the sanctuary, mailed to the church, given electronically at spdcl.org/give, or by scanning the QR code located on the back of the bulletin. Thank you for your generous support of God's mission and ministry at St. Philip the Deacon. Remember: Your gifts make a difference.

As the gifts are brought forward the people stand and sing:

Offertory Hymn

As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain

Congregation:



Verse



to Refrain

Please know that all are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You may receive Holy Communion in one of two ways. First, you may choose to come forward to receive by intinction, receiving a wafer in your hand and dipping it into the chalice of wine or juice. The gluten free chalice is located near where the pastors sit. Or second, you may pick up individually wrapped elements at the usher stand in the narthex and receive while remaining in your pew.

Scriptures for Next Week:

To prepare for worship next week, please read the following scripture passages:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122

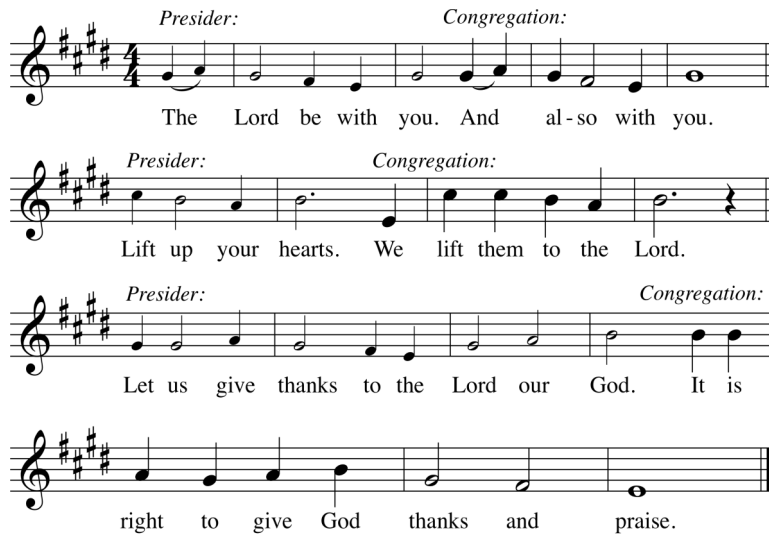
Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. God of all creation,
all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

Presider: *Congregation:*



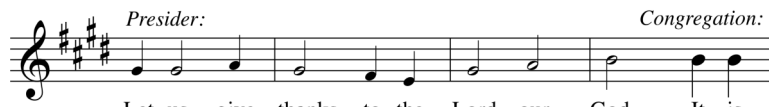
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Presider: *Congregation:*



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: *Congregation:*



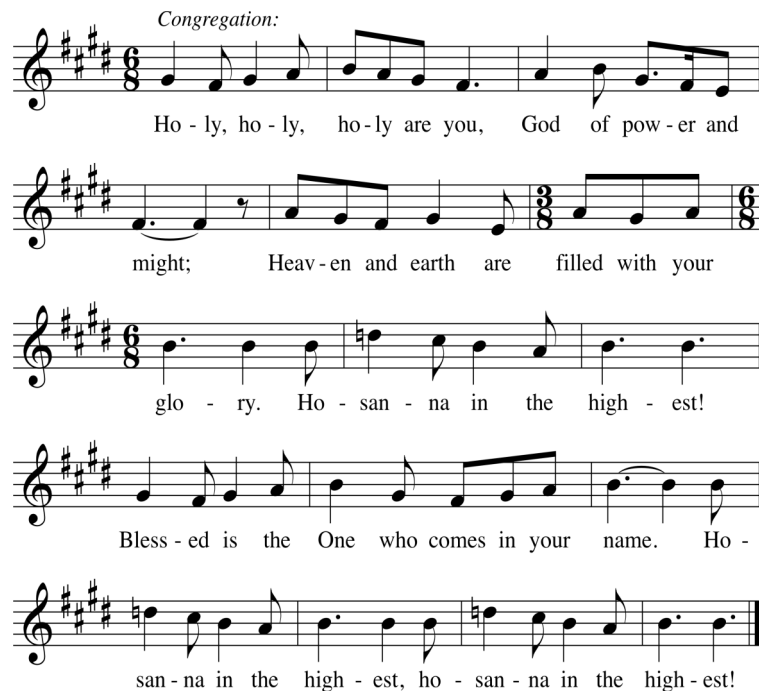
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is



right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: It is our duty and delight...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Congregation:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer (Our Father, who art in heaven...trespasses)

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 you break the chains of ha - tred and
 you are the way of jus - tice and
 you are the way of mer - cy and



world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
 fear:
 peace:
 love.

Final Stanza

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,



grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Music*Simple Gifts/Amazing Grace*

arr. Rich Ridenour

Post Communion Blessing

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen,
 keep and unite us, now and forever more. **Amen**

Post Communion Hymn *Let All Things Now Living*

See back of bulletin

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray: **God of glory, in this sacrament you unite us in the body of your Son.**

May we who have been guests at this table grow in gratitude to you and love for one another, that through us your light may shine in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Dismissal

Our time of worship has come to a close, but our service never ends.

Dismiss us with your blessing, O God.

Go from this place as agents of God's reconciliation and as instruments of God's compassion.

We go, empowered by God's love.

Go, then, in the love of God, the grace of the Lord Jesus, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Postlude

"Wie will ich mich freuen" from *Cantata 146* J.S. Bach arr. Biggs

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Worship Schedule

Saturday 5 p.m.
 Sunday 8:15, 9:30+
 & 10:45+ a.m.

+Sunday School meets.

Childcare is available at all
 Sunday services.

**Join us in Fellowship Hall
 for refreshments following
 8:15 & 9:30 a.m. services.**

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The Season of Advent

This weekend, the new church year begins. During Advent, all services include the Lighting of the Advent Wreath as we move toward Christmas.

Join us for the Service of Lessons and Carols on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. and at all services on Sunday, Dec. 14.

Christmas Worship Schedule

Tuesday, December 16

Blue Christmas with Holy Communion

[†] 7:00 p.m. *A gentle and meditative service, designed especially for those who are experiencing loss at this time of year.*

Wednesday, December 24 | Christmas Eve Services

Children's Christmas Eve Worship

[†] 11 a.m. *A short worship service designed for children with an interactive retelling of the Christmas Story*

Worship with Holy Communion

2, 4 p.m. *Chamber orchestra and SPD Quartet*

Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion

[†] 5:30, 7:30, 9 & [†] 11 p.m.
Chamber orchestra; SPD Quartet (7:30 & 9); Sanctuary Choir (5:30 & 11)

Thursday, December 25 | Christmas Day

[†] 11 a.m. *Worship with Holy Communion (one service only)*

Saturday, December 27 | A Liturgy of Carols

5 p.m. *Worship with Holy Communion*

Sunday, December 28 | A Liturgy of Carols

8:15, [†] 9:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion

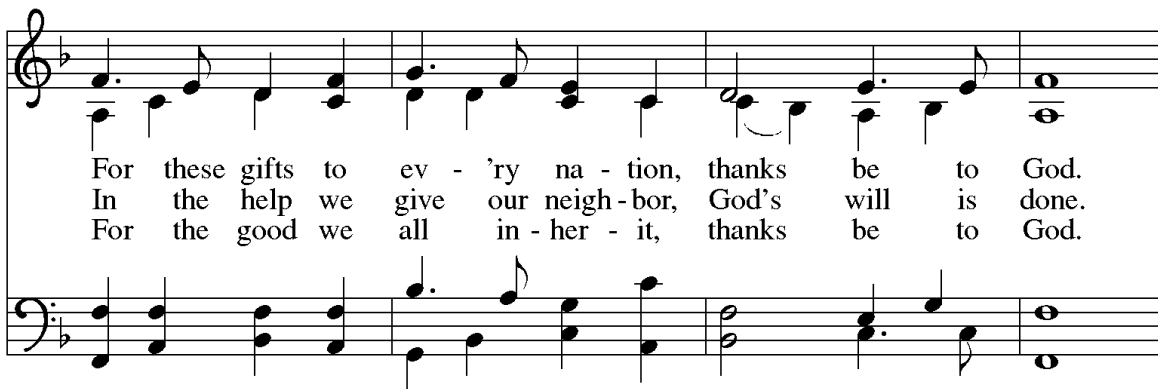
Childcare provided at the 2, 4, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve services and Sunday, Dec. 28.

[†] *This service is Livestreamed*

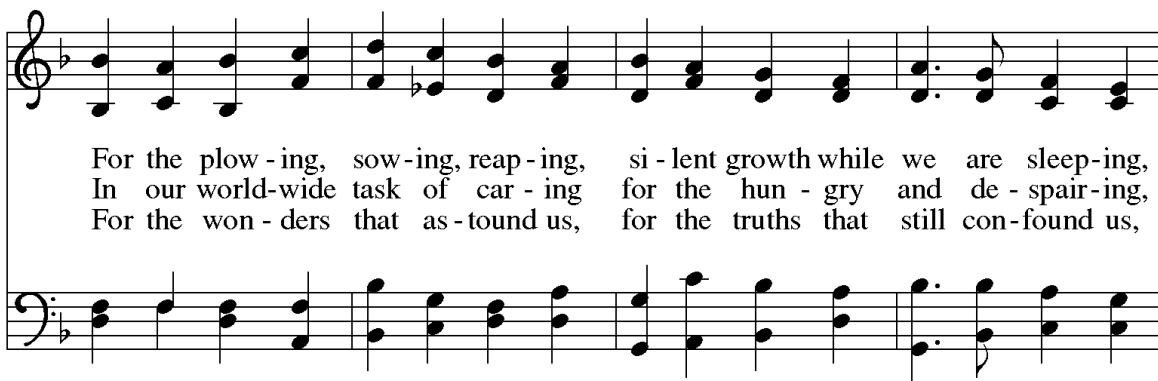
For the Fruit of All Creation



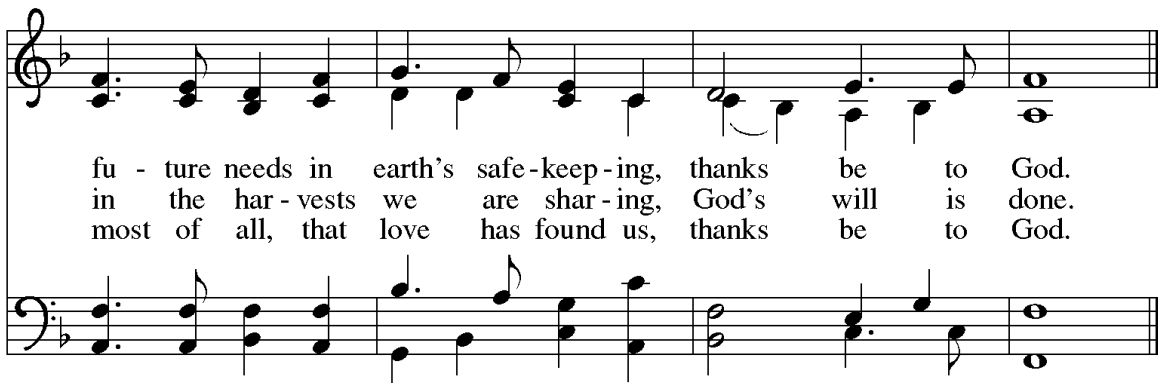
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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Let All Things Now Living

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours - es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the

still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -

fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"