Colossians 3:12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Thanksgiving Day Worship Service Preview - November 26, 2020 Service is live-streamed online at 9 a.m. Rev. William S. Trump and Rev. Dr. Barry W. Szymanski Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician Kim Porter, Soloist

Sunday Worship Service Preview - November 29, 2020 Service is live-streamed online at 10 a.m. Rev. William S. Trump Jessi Kolberg, Keyboard Musician Scott DeKok, Soloist

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Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God,
to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith,
to reach out with compassion to those in need,
to treat each other with love and understanding,
and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE

November 22, 2020 ~ 10:00 am Last Sunday After Pentecost

Please go online to <u>firstchurchtosa.org.</u>
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THE PRELUDE

We Plow the Fields and Scatter
Dance Scherzo
Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

Malcolm Archer

WELCOME Rev. William S. Trump

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Barry W. Szymanski

In a world where there is much death, we offer a message of life. In a world filled with anger, we offer the message of God's love. In a world filled with tension, we offer a message of peace. Let us worship God with thanksgiving for His Word to us.

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David Foster, Carole Bayer Sager

Jillian Bruss, Soloist and Richard Page

THE MESSAGE "Feasting at the Table of Gratitude"

Rev. Trump

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

SPECIAL MUSIC We Gather Together KREMSER

A CALL TO GIVING

INSTRUMENTAL BENEDICTION

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE Now Thank We All Our God setting by Paul Manz

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices. Who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God, the Father now be given, The Son and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven, The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore, For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Almighty God, You are worthy of our highest worship and devotion. We ask that You awaken our hearts to praise and thanksgiving at this special time of the year. We know, O Lord, that Your goodness never fails, and Your love never ends, but from time to time we need to focus upon Your great generosity and our unique status as Your children. Lift our thoughts beyond the everyday material things we have, and remind us that the true riches of life are of the spirit. Accept our worship in these moments of spiritual fellowship. We pray this in the name of Your Son, who taught us to pray, saying . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

THE CHILDREN'S STORY

Tonia Wallner and Rev. Trump

THE LESSON (see p. 4)

Colossians 3:12-17

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Cindy Walsh in celebration of Jim's milestone birthday . . . that ends in zero.

Caring Corner

As of November 19, 2020

Born to Eternal Life

Eugenia Jacobus, who passed away November 6, 2020. Services were held. **Kenneth Wendt,** who passed away November 6, 2020. Services were held.

In Our Prayers

Jim Benz at the Milwaukee VA Medical Center. Sharon Raymond at Froedtert Memorial Hospital. Rod Schmidt at Linden Grove Health Care Center in New Berlin.

Special Music: *Thankful*Text: David Foster, Carole Bayer Sager, Richard Page

Some days, we forget to look around us.

Some days we can't see the joy that surrounds us.

So caught up inside ourselves,

We take when we should give.

So for tonight we pray for what we know can be.

And on this day we hope for what we still can't see.

It's up to us to be the change.

And even though we all can still do more,

There's so much to be thankful for.

Even with our differences, There is a place we're all connected. Each of us can find each other's light.

So for tonight we pray for what we know can be.

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It's up to us to be the change.

And even though this world needs so much more,

There's so much to be thankful for.

Look beyond ourselves, there's so much sorrow.
It's way too late to say, "I'll cry tomorrow."

Each of us must find our truth,
It's so long overdue.

So for tonight we pray for what we know can be.

And every day we hope for what we still can't see.

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Anthem: We Gather Together Text: Theodore Baker Translated from a Netherlands Folk Hymn

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing, He chastens and hastens His will to make known, The wicked opressing now cease from distressing, Sing praises to His name, He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining maintaining His kingdom divine, Sing a grateful alleluia, Lord be at our side, All glory be thine!

We all do extol Thee, our leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation,
Thy name be ever praised,
O Lord, make us free!