

Hymn: *We Gather Together*
Text: Netherlands Folk Hymn (1626)

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.
He chastens and hastens His will
to make known.
The wicked oppressing 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.
So from the beginning the fight we
were winning.
Thou Lord wast at our side, all glory be Thine.

We all do extol Thee, Thou 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.
Amen.

Hymn: *We Plow the Fields and Scatter*
Text: Matthias Claudias (1817-1878)

We plow the field and scatter the
good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered by God's
almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to
swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.

He only is the maker of all things near and far.
He paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star.
The winds and waves obey Him,
by Him the birds are fed.
Much more, to us His children,
he gives our daily bread.

We thank Thee, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good.
The seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer, for all Thy
love imparts,
and, what Thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.

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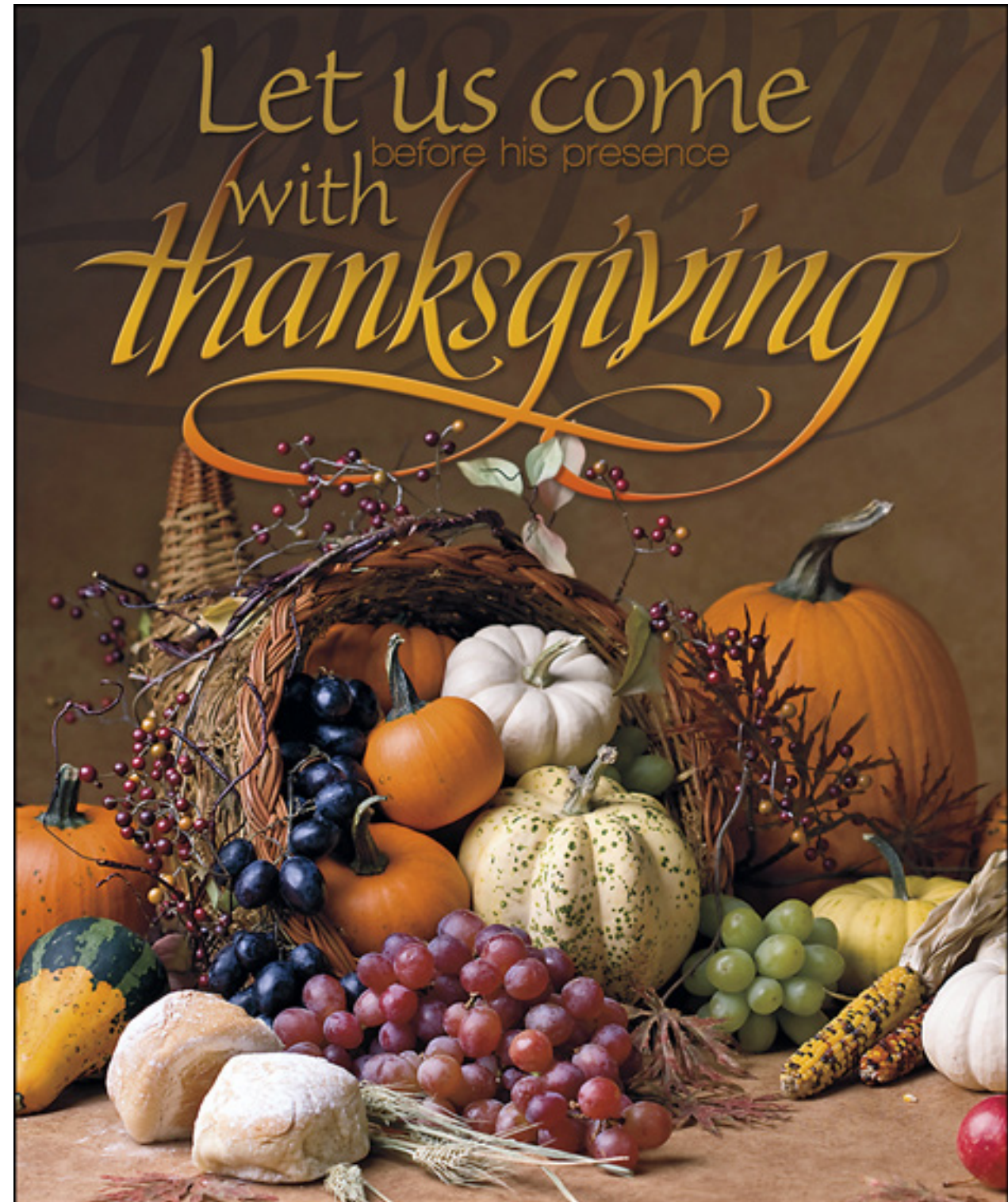
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creates and maintains a caring community for the elderly offering housing, health care and quality of life services.

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Thanksgiving Day Worship <i>November 25, 2021 ~ 9:00 a.m.</i> First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin <i>Please silence your cell phones.</i>		
THE PRELUDE	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i> Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician	Arr. by Mary Beth Bennett
THE CALL OF THE CONCH SHELL		
THE CALL TO WORSHIP	Jim Harris	
Leader:	Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker!	
People:	For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His land.	
Leader:	It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to the Most High;	
People:	To declare our steadfast love in the morning and our faithfulness by night.	
HYMN SOLO	<i>We Gather Together</i>	KREMSER
INVOCATION FOR THANKSGIVING and THE LORD’S PRAYER [unison] Almighty God, Your goodness surrounds us. We pray with thanksgiving and we bless Your glorious and holy Name. You care for us. You provide gifts. In this land and this time of plenty, make us agents of Your compassion to those who lack what they need. Deliver us from anxiety and let us dwell in confidence as we make our prayer known to You, for under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, we pray in the name of Your Son Jesus as we pray the prayer which He has taught us . . . 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 LESSON	Ephesians 1:15-23	Bible, page 1064

THE ANTHEM	<i>A Home of Grace</i> Katelyn Peterson conducts the FCC Choir	Arr. by Joseph Martin
THE MESSAGE	“Authentic Thanksgiving”	Rev. Bill Trump
THE ANTHEM	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i>	Arr. by Benjamin Harlan and Gary Hallquist
CALL TO PRAYER and TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER		
PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE		
THE OFFERTORY	<i>Let All Things Now Living</i>	Setting by Nicholas Palmer
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		
HYMN SOLO	<i>We Plow the Fields and Scatter</i>	DRESDEN
THE CHARGE and BENEDICTION		
THE POSTLUDE	<i>Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng</i>	Setting by Michael Burkhardt

CARE FOR CHILDREN
A nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the service.

Special thanks to DdG and Charlie Wakefield for providing and arranging the Thanksgiving decorations in the Nave.

Anthem: *A Home of Grace*

Text: Joseph M. Martin

O, thank you, Lord, for family,
how precious your design.
That through the gift of parents
we know Your love divine.
They lead us and they teach us.
They help us find our place.
And working all together,
we build a home of grace.

O, thank you, Lord, for family,
no two of them the same.
For all who care for children
though never share their name.
O, teach us, Lord, compassion
and help us grow our faith,
'til every home is cherished
and built up on your grace.

O, thank you, Lord, for family.
This is our earnest prayer
for mothers and for fathers,
for the hearts of all who care.
And though sometimes imperfect and
though we lose our way,
today we pledge and promise to
build a home of grace.
Build a home of grace.

Anthem: *Come, Ye Thankful People*

Text: Henry Alford (1810-1871)

Come, ye thankful people, come;
raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

We ourselves are God's own field,
fruit unto His praise yield,
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring Thy final harvest home.
Gather all Thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin.
There, forever purified,
in Thy presence to abide.
Come, with all Thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home.