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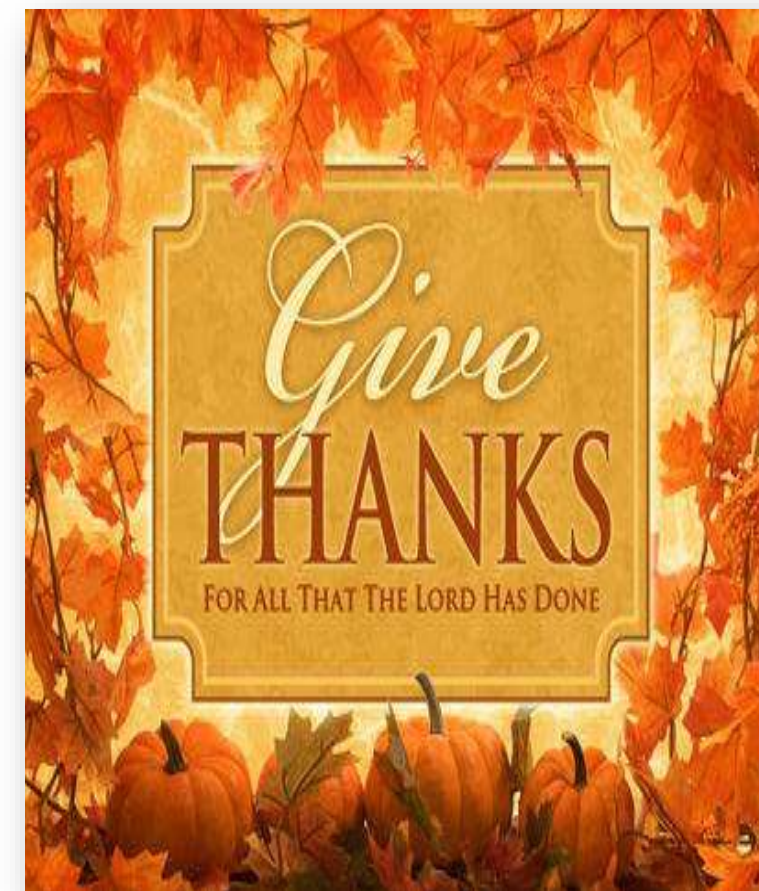
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PRAISE *Oh Lord You're Beautiful
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SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS

Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Ancient Words*

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let our hearts rejoice in the God of hope and faithfulness.

Our strength is in the maker of heaven and earth.
Our foundation is the Cornerstone that never fails.

The Rock of Ages is a foundation like no other.
Hope arises, as the tools of war are broken,
and the weak are given strength.

**Hope lives, when the hungry are fed,
and the poor are lifted up.**
God comes to bring justice to the ends of the earth,
Calling us to hope and faithfulness.

Come, Rock of Ages; come quickly now.

*OPENING HYMN *Come Ye Thankful People, Come* No. 694

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

*OPENING PRAYER

**God of possibilities,
Fill us with your hope and faithfulness.**
**Listen to us,
as we pour out our souls before you.**
**Grant us the grace to be your people,
and to live your teachings.**
**Live in us,
that we may arise with hope and walk in love,
singing your praises all of our days.**
In the name of Christ our rock, we pray. Amen .

BELL ANTHEM *Now the Green Blade Riseth* arr. Kevin McChesney

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Leonard Lutz
*Nursery care is available.
 Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time.*

A TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Give Thanks* TFWS #2036
 Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer
 Choral Response *Give Thanks* TFWS #2036

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HYMN *(remain seated)* *We Gather Together* No. 131

SERMON *"Barrenness and Thanksgiving"*
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OFFERING
 Invitation to the Offering
 Offertory *All Men are Mortal* J. S. Bach
 *Doxology / Prayer of Dedication No. 95

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
 all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

*CLOSING HYMN *Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing* No. 671

*BENEDICTION
 Go in peace, encouraging one another in love,
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