Thanksgiving Day
Morning Prayer Rite One
The Book of Common Prayer pages 42-59
November 26, 2020 ~ 10:00 am
The Episcopal Church of St. Matthew, San Mateo

Prelude Music: Intrada on a Thanksgiving Hymn
Charles Callahan
“We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing”

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.
People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant and People
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

O COME let us sing unto the LORD;
* let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving;
* and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
3 For the LORD is a great God;
* and a great King above all gods.
Psalm 147

1  Hallelujah!
   How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
   how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

2  The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; *
   he gathers the exiles of Israel.

3  He heals the brokenhearted *
   and binds up their wounds.

4  He counts the number of the stars *
   and calls them all by their names.

5  Great is our LORD and mighty in power; *
   there is no limit to his wisdom.

6  The LORD lifts up the lowly, *
   but casts the wicked to the ground.
7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; *
  make music to our God upon the harp.

8 He covers the heavens with clouds *  
  and prepares rain for the earth;

9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *  
  and green plants to serve mankind.

10 He provides food for flocks and herds *  
  and for the young ravens when they cry.

11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *  
  he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, *  
  in those who await his gracious favor.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *  
  as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

"He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;  
his righteousness endures forever."

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

**Thanksgiving Hymn**

288—Praise to God, immortal praise

1 Praise to God, immortal praise, for the love that crowns our days;
2 All the plenty summer pours; autumn’s rich overflowing stores;
3 As thy prospering hand hath blessed, may we give thee of our best;

bounteous source of every joy, let thy praise our tongues employ:
flocks that whiten all the plain; yellow sheaves of ripened grain:
and by deeds of kindly love for thy mercies grateful prove;

all to thee, our God, we owe, source whence all our blessings flow.
Lord, for these our souls shall raise grateful vows and solemn praise.
singing thus through all our days praise to God, immortal praise.

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**Second Reading**

John 6:25-35

When the crowd found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said
to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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Canticle 18 S266

**Introduction**

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**Antiphon**

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\[ \text{king ly power are yours by right, O Lord our God,} \]
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1. **Splendord and hon or and king ly power are yours by right, O Lord our God,**

2. **For you cre at ed ev ery thing that is, and by your will they were cre at ed and have their be ing. [Ant.]**

3. **And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your blood you have re deemed for God,**

4. **From ev ery family, language, people, and na tion, a king dom of priests to serve our God. [Ant.]**
Homily

The Rev. Jay Sapaen Watan

The Apostles’ Creed  Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant  The Lord be with you.  
People  And with thy spirit.  
Officiant  Let us pray.

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 trespasses,
    as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
    but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
    for ever and ever. Amen.

Versicle (Officiant) and Response (People)
V.  O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R.   And grant us thy salvation.
V.  Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
R.   And make thy chosen people joyful.
V.  Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R.   For only in thee can we live in safety.
V.  Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
R.   And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V.  Let thy way be known upon earth;
R.   Thy saving health among all nations.
V.  Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R.   Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V.  Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R.   And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect for Thanksgiving Day
Almighty and gracious Father, we give thee thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we beseech thee, faithful stewards of thy great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance
O heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray thee so to guide and govern us by thy Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget thee, but may remember that we are ever walking in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect For the Nation
Lord God Almighty, who hast made all the peoples of the earth for thy glory, to serve thee in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with thy
gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Litany of Thanksgiving
Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.
We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,
We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,
We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;
To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom
Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

Then may be said
Let us bless the Lord.  

*Thanks be to God.*

**Officiant**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

**Closing Hymn** 290—Come, ye thankful people, come  

1 Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest-home:  
2 All the world is God’s own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;  
3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;  
4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest-home;  

all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;  
wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown;  
from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;  
gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;  

4 there, for ever purified, in thy presence  

1 God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to  
2 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn  
3 give his angels charge at last in the fire the  
4 there, for ever purified, in thy presence  

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*1982 Hymnal*
Postlude Music: Fanfare on a Thanksgiving Hymn
“Now thank we all our God”

This week we especially hold in our prayers...

We commend to your gracious care all members of our armed forces at home or abroad, as well as their families

We pray for the departed.
The flowers decorating the high altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of
Rodman Lent Hooker
William A. Key, Jr.

Service Notes

Officiant                                The Rev. Dr. Eric Kimball Hinds
Preacher                                 The Rev. Jay Sapaen Watan
Precentor/Organist                       Philip Keil
Singers                                  Members of the Chancel Choir
Altar Guild                              Bobbi Chow, Kay Perrando
Altar Flowers                            Luna Stafford
Videographer                             Rowan Watan