



*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and
his courts with praise; give thanks to
him and praise his name.*

Psalm 100:4



Ann Arbor Christian Reformed Church
Thanksgiving Day
November 22, 2018 • 9:30 AM

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Prelude: *Let All Things Now Living*

Dale Wood

Now Thank We All Our God

Michael Burkhardt

Welcome

***Song:** *Let All Things Now Living*

Red Hymnal 5

*Call to Worship

***Song:** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Red Hymnal 19

*We Receive God's Blessing and Greet One Another

Children's Blessing

Song: *Thank You Lord, for This Fine Day*

Thank you, Lord, for this fine day, (3x)
right where we are.

Alleluia, praise the Lord, (3x)
right where we are.

[more verses suggested by children]

Joel 2:21-27

Reflection

***Song:** *For the Fruit of all Creation*

Red Hymnal 396

Psalm 126

Choir Reflection: *When God First Brought Us Back*

Red Hymnal 55

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Reflection

***Song: Praise God for the Harvest of Orchard and Field**

Red Hymnal 397

Tune: Red Hymnal 579

Praise God for the harvest of orchard and field,
praise God for the people who gather their yield,
the long hours of labor, the skills of a team,
the patience of science, the power of machine.

Praise God for the harvest that comes from afar,
from market and harbor, the sea and the shore:
foods packed and transported, the gathered and grown,
by God-given neighbors, unseen and unknown.

Praise God for the harvest that's quarried and mined,
selected and smelted, or shaped and refined:
for oil and iron, for copper and coal,
praise God, who in love has provided them all.

Praise God for the harvest of science and skill,
the urge to discover, create, and fulfill:
for plans and inventions that promise to gain
a future more hopeful, a world more humane.

Praise God for the harvest of mercy and love
from leaders and peoples who struggle and serve
with patience and kindness, that all may be led
to freedom and justice, and all may be fed.

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Our Gifts Are Received for Food Gatherers

As choir sings, we joyfully come forward
with our gifts of non-perishable food.

Choral Offertory: Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Red Hymnal 398, arr. H. Willan

Matthew 6:25-33

We Celebrate Communion

This morning we celebrate communion. All who love Jesus Christ, trust in him alone for their salvation, and agree to be his disciple are invited to join with us in this celebration.

With thanks and joy, take the bread and dip it into the cup. If you are unable to proceed to the front of the sanctuary to partake of communion, remain seated and the elements will be brought to you.

Communion Music:

Music for Meditation: *Father, We Give You Thanks*

Red Hymnal 816, vss. 1&2: choir, vss. 3&4; all

Song: *Give Thanks*

Green Songbook 216

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***We Receive God's Parting Blessing**

***Song:** *Now Thank We All Our God*

Red Hymnal 543

***Postlude:** *Now Thank We All Our God*

Robert Hobby

Pastors

Ryan Boes & John Groen

Worship:

Jan Musch, Paul Herrema, AACRC Choir