

Thanksgiving Sunday November 23, 2025

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   Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni
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Today's service will be recorded.

#### THANKSGIVING SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 23, 2025

PRELUDE We Gather Together — Neil Harmon

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Reebee Girash and Sarah Jane Fuller

PASSING OF THE PEACE Lesley Morrison

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

\*GATHERING SONG Come, Ye Thankful People Come — Pilgrim Hymnal 461 (verse 1)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 100)

ONE: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

ALL: Worship God with gladness.

ONE: Come into God's presence with singing.

ALL: Know that the Sovereign is God. It is God that made us.

ONE: And we are God's. We are God's people.

ALL: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,

ONE: And enter God's courts with praise.

ALL: Give thanks to God, and bless God's name.

ONE: For God is good. God's steadfast love endures forever.

ALL: God's faithfulness endures to all generations.

Lesley Morrison

461 Henry Alford, 1810-1871 ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR 7.7.7.7.D. George J. Elvey, 1816-1893 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo-ple, come, Raise the song of har-vest home; All is safe - ly gath - ered in, Ere the win-ter storms be - gin; God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide For our wants to be sup-plied; Come to God's own tem - ple, come, Raise the song of har-vest home. HARVEST AND THANKSGIVING

\*OPENING PRAYER

Lesley Morrison

Eternal God, from the days of manna in the wilderness, to right now: your steadfast love has been with us. When the earth has changed beneath our feet, your steadfast love has been with us. In this hour, grant that we might deeply feel your steadfast love with us. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN** 

Praise to God, Your Praises Bring — Pilgrim Hymnal 458

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

John 6:25-35, Philippians 4:4-9

Lesley Morrison

John 6:25-35

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus

answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you

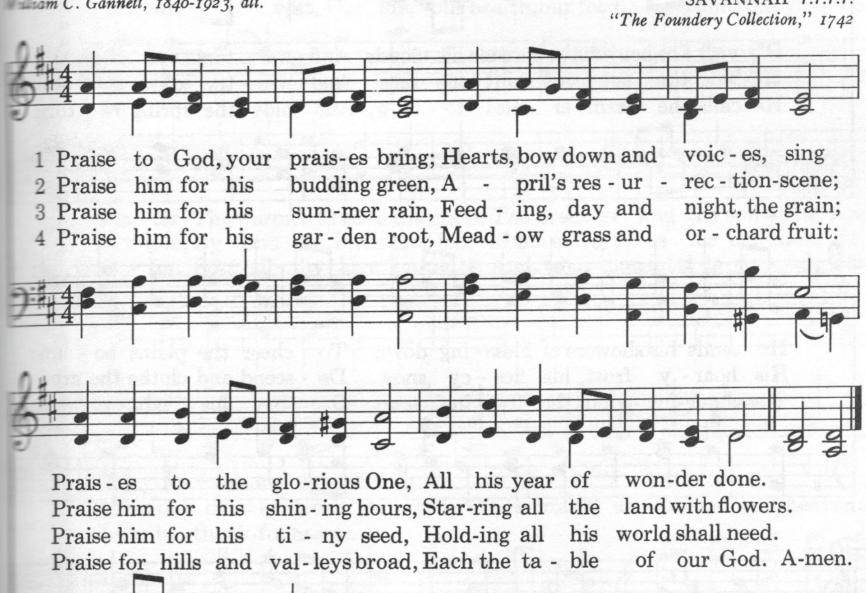
going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my

Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." <sup>35</sup>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.

# Praise to God, Your Praises Bring

Waliam C. Gannett, 1840-1923, alt.

SAVANNAH 7.7.7.7.





Philippians 4:4-9

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all

understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is

honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is

pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

ONE: Here end the readings. Hear what the Spirit of God is saying to the church.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** 

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light arr. Erik Dewar and Dan Forrest

At this time, children and youth are invited to Sunday School pageant rehearsal.

**SERMON** 

\*HYMN

We Plow the Fields and Scatter — Pilgrim Hymnal 460 (pages 8-9)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Reebee Girash

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Reebee Girash

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father (Creator), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**OFFERTORY** 

Cantate Domino — Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

\*DOXOLOGY

Pilgrim Hymnal 515

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen or

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. Amen

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(From Deuteronomy 26)

Rev. Reebee Girash

Generous God, we are thankful.

We take some of our first fruits,

some of the harvest you have given us, and place it here in your house.

We bow down before you, celebrating the bounty you have given us.

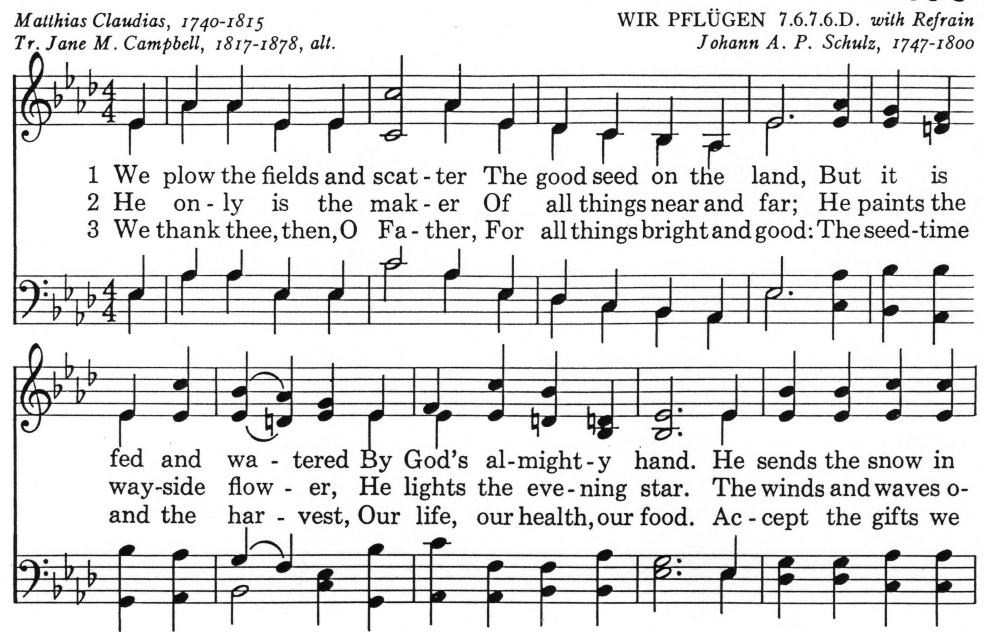
As we bring our pledges before you for future season, bless them to your purpose.

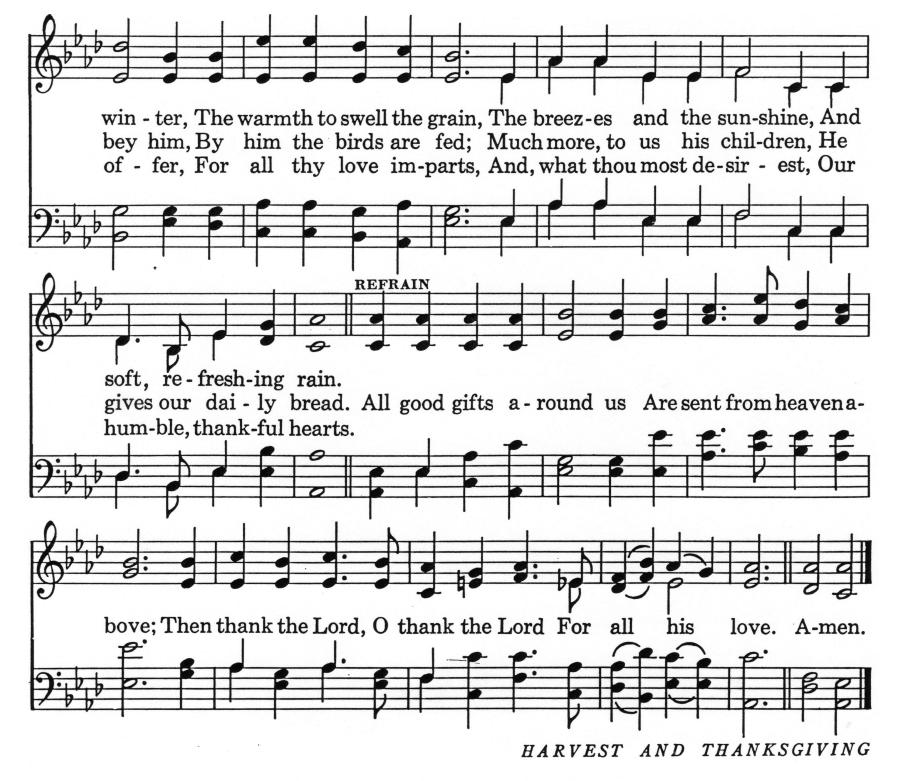
Join our gifts with the gifts of your people throughout the ages, strengthening this church and the wider church,

serving our neighbors, and giving glory to you. Amen.

# We Plow the Fields and Scatter

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# Take My Life, God, Let It Be

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### \*BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

Duke Street — Neil Harmon

\*Please be in a posture of praise.



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Thank you our Greeter, Steve Van Evera, our Liturgist, Lesley Morrison, and our Zoom host, Duncan Todd.



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A welcoming home to all spiritual seekers Making a difference in our world, By fusing our Christian faith with everyday life and Serving God by serving others.



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Children are a beloved part of our worshiping community, and we welcome them as full participants in God's presence, helping them feel at home at Pilgrim.

Professional childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the nursery from 10:15 to the end of the service.

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