



Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

Thanksgiving conjures up visions of a good meal. Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, buns, salads, yams, pumpkin pie and more. As we gather, there is much more to be thankful for than a meal. As we worship, we are invited to think of all of the things that make for a safe and peaceful world. From political leaders to snow plough drivers, from school teachers to scientists who continue to make medical advances intended to keep us healthy, from friends who care deeply about us to warm clothing. Whether we realize it or not, all around us activities are happening which affect our daily lives. Tonight, we gather to thank God for all of this and for the gift of Jesus who saves us and sends us out to love and care for others.

**Week of Thanksgiving
Wednesday,
Nov. 26, 2025
6 p.m.**



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

“Give Thanks”
CCLI # 20285

**Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son**

**And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us**

Give thanks

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WELCOME

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

In the midst of our thanksgiving, let us pause in silence to recall how we so often lose sight of the gifts of each day and of their Giver.

Let us pray.

O God, we know that we forget about you, we forget to love you, we forget to help our neighbors, we forget to thank you.

(a moment of silence for private confession)

**Forgive us, O God.
Grant us clear minds to know you,
new hearts to love you
strong hands to serve you
Help us live this day, this week, and always
so that our whole life is a thanksgiving to you. Amen.**

God did not send Christ into the world to condemn the world, but to be its Savior. We can trust God's word. We are a forgiven people.

Thanks be to God!

SONG

“All Creatures, Worship God Most High”
Verses 1, 2, & 4

ELW #835

Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church is not a building – it is you, the people. So “church,” thanks for showing up today. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the “church.”

We are thankful you are here. Through God's Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.

PSALM 100

- ¹ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
² Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.
³ **Know that the Lord is God.**
It is he who made us, and we are his;^[a]
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him; bless his name.
⁵ **For the Lord is good;**
his steadfast love endures forever
and his faithfulness to all generations.

SONG

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”
Verses 1 & 2

ELW #843

THE THANKSGIVING TRADITION

PSALM 136:1-11, 23-26

GOD’S WORK IN CREATION AND IN HISTORY

- ¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
² **O give thanks to the God of gods,**
for his steadfast love endures forever.
³ O give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
⁴ **who alone does great wonders,**
for his steadfast love endures forever;
⁵ who by understanding made the heavens,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
⁶ **who spread out the earth on the waters,**
for his steadfast love endures forever;
⁷ who made the great lights,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
⁸ **the sun to rule over the day,**
for his steadfast love endures forever;
⁹ the moon and stars to rule over the night,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
¹⁰ **who struck Egypt through their firstborn,**
for his steadfast love endures forever;
¹¹ and brought Israel out from among them,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

²³ **It is he who remembered us in our low estate,**
for his steadfast love endures forever;
²⁴ and rescued us from our foes,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
²⁵ **who gives food to all flesh,**
for his steadfast love endures forever.
²⁶ O give thanks to the God of heaven,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

My thoughts on the scripture
and message

SONG

“Now Thank We All Our God”

ELW #839

PSALM 9

- ¹ I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
² **I will be glad and exult in you;**
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.
³ When my enemies turned back,
they stumbled and perished before you.
⁴ **For you have maintained my just cause;**
you have sat on the throne giving righteous judgment.
⁵ You have rebuked the nations; you have destroyed the wicked;
you have blotted out their name forever and ever.
⁶ **The enemies have vanished in everlasting ruins;**
their cities you have rooted out; the very memory of them has perished.
⁷ But the Lord sits enthroned forever;
he has established his throne for judgment.

MEDITATION

Pastor Mark Narum

OFFERING/OFFERING MUSIC

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
Verses 1 & 4

ELW #858

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please pray for Dick, Amy, Rod, Melissa, Hal,
Lester, Jim, Sandy, Carsen, Cortney, Lynn, Ken, Barb, Anna, Una, Verna & Gary.*

LORD’S PRAYER

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

SONG

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

ELW #836

PSALM 150

¹ Praise the Lord!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!^[a]
² **Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!**
³ Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
⁴ **Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!**
⁵ Praise him with clanging cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
⁶ **Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”

ELW #860

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Give thanks to the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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Your Gifts

YOUR GIFTS

<u>October 2025</u>	<u>Month Actual</u>	<u>Year-To-Date Actual</u>
INCOME		
Contributions	\$60,750.00	\$641,830.00
Other Income	\$5,194.00	\$83,644.00
Transfer	\$300.00	-\$434.00
Total Income	\$66,244.00	\$725,040.00
EXPENSES		
Income less expenses	\$67,532.00	\$698,966.00
	-1,288.00	\$26,074

Electronic Giving - Trinity offers the option of Electronic Giving as a simple way to contribute. This would allow you the freedom from worry or concern whether you are out of town, on vacation or wondering how to budget your contributions. Giving forms are available in the office, at the Welcome Center or on Trinity’s website.

At www.trinitybismarck.com, you can give electronically to the general fund, Capital Campaign and others. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact our Financial Director, Brent Winkelman at winkelman@trinitybismarck.com. Thank you again for your continued financial support.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025

WE EXTEND OUR CONGREGATION'S SYMPATHY to the family of Marlene Janko. Her funeral will be at Trinity on Monday, November 24th @ 11 a.m. Please keep her family in your prayers.

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Dora Radakovich given by Julie Leer.

ALTAR FLOWERS are in loving memory of Rev. Justin Johnson. Given by his sister, Gracia, and parents, Erik & Kathryn.

OFFICE CLOSED - The office will be closed Thursday & Friday this week for Thanksgiving. Join us Wednesday evening for worship and a dessert social to celebrate the holiday.

THRIVENT MEMBERS - Have you directed your Thrivent Choice Dollars to a charitable organization yet? Eligible members can recommend where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funding by directing Choice Dollars®. You can help support us by directing them towards Trinity for various ministries the church is involved in. Contact a staff person for more information.

ONLINE GIVING - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity's online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!



THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday 11-23

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 11:30 AM - Advent Kickoff Party in Fellowship Hall
- 4 PM - Messiah Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Tuesday 11-25

- 9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room
- 4 PM - Property Committee in Conference Room
- 6 PM - Mission & Outreach Comm. in Conf. Room

Wednesday 11-26

- 4:30 PM - Trust Fund Comm. in Conf. Room
- 5:15 PM - Meal served in Fellowship Hall
- 6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 6:40 PM - Dessert Social in Community Center

Thursday 11-27

OFFICE CLOSED

Friday 11-28

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Saturday 11-29

- 7 PM - Messiah Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Sunday 11-30

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 7 PM - Messiah Performance in Sanctuary

