THANKSGIVING EVE

The fellowships of Zion Lutheran Church, Immanuel United Methodist Church, New Hope Fissel's United Church of Christ and Trinity United Church of Christ invite all who wish to celebrate, with thanksgiving, the love of God in Christ Jesus to join with them and lift their hearts and voices to God in praise and thanksgiving.

November 25, 2020

7:00 p.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING

Peace be to this house and to all for whom this is home.

And also to you.

HYMN "We Gather Together"

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We gather together to ask for God's blessing, To turn to a wisdom surpassing our own; The pow'rs that oppress us now cease to distress us.

O God, be present with us, and make your will known.

May all sing your praises, Redeemer triumphant, Defend us, befriend us, whatever may be. May your congregation escape tribulation.

Your name be praised forever, O God, make us free!

CALL TO WORSHIP: –

One: We gather to praise God, our loving and faithful shepherd.

All: We come to be formed by God's living and present Word for the sake of Christian service.

One: Bless our worship to these holy ends, O God.

All: And bless us as with your empowering presence when we leave here to minister in your name.

SCRIPTURE

First Lesson: Psalm 65

Epistle Lesson 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The Holy Gospel Luke 17:11-19

SERMON "Giving Thanks in a Pandemic" Rev. David Stewart

SOLO "For the Beauty of the Earth" Gloria Grahe, Violin

A TIME TO SHARE OUR THANKSGIVING

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us join in bidding prayers of thanksgiving. Pastor will begin, then you add your sentence prayers.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

THE OFFERING (Those viewing the service are invited to send contributions to support the ministry of "The Well" in Glen Rock. Contributions may be mailed to Immanuel United Methodist Church, 1 New Street, Glen Rock, PA, 17327. Thank you.)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Lord God, you have blessed us beyond measure. You have cared for us in every way possible. You have called our names and gathered us to your side. We know who we are and whose we are. And now, in return for your gracious love, we offer our gifts, not only to you, but to the world. Receive what we humbly offer, and in your power multiply it for the benefit of your sovereign realm. In the name of our good shepherd, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE SAVIOR

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God"

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices, who, from our parents' arms has blessed us on our way, with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God our Maker now be given, To Christ, and Spirit, too, our help in highest heaven, The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore, For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Lord is near

Thanks be to God

*POSTLUDE

MINISTER THE PEOPLE

PASTORS REV. DR. DAVE STEWART, NEW HOPE FISSELS'S UCC

REV. NORMAN (SKIP) SPANGLER, IMMANUEL UMC

REV. PAUL HAACK, ZION ELCA

REV. DR. W. ARTHUR GRAHE, TRINITY UCC

SOLOIST MS. GLORIA GRAHE