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The Lord's Day, November 20th, 2022
The Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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CALL TO WORSHIP

THE STRIKING OF THE HOUR

MEDITATION AND PREPARATION

Prelude

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 105:1-3

"Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; talk of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the Lord!"

Minister: Lift up your hearts unto the Lord!

Congregation: **We lift them up!**

HYMN

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Celebration Hymnal #797

CONFESSION OF SIN

THE LAW OF GOD

Deuteronomy 5:21

"You shall not covet your neighbor's wife; and you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, his male servant, his female servant, his ox, his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

Private Confession

Corporate Confession

Minister: We make this, our corporate confession, unto God:

All: Almighty God, the Giver of all good things, we have often taken for granted your grace and your goodness toward us. We have pined for the blessings and possessions of others, rather than resting in contentment. We have spurned the good and perfect Gift of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Forgive us in your mercy, Lord, and grant that we might be truly grateful for all that you have given to us, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 1:7

"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace."

Minister: Your sins are forgiven through Christ.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

DOXOLOGY

Doxology

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH
Celebration Hymnal #815

CONSECRATION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

Deuteronomy 8:1–10

1 Timothy 2:1–7

John 10:1-18

Minister: May God bless the reading of His Word.

Congregation: **Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Minister: We make these petitions, ending with the prayer our Lord taught us to pray:

All: **“Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your 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 do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the
power and the glory forever.
Amen.”** (Matthew 6:9-13)

PSALM

Psalm 100

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Celebration Hymnal #101, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

**All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the LORD with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth; His praise forth tell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.**

**Know that the LORD is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk; He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.**

**O enter then His gates with praise;
Within His courts your thanks proclaim;
With grateful hearts your voices raise
To bless and magnify His name.**

**Because the LORD our God is good,
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure.**

SERMON

"Our Call to Thanksgiving" Psalm 100:1-5

HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God
Celebration Hymnal #788

COMMISSIONING

BENEDICTION

Minister: "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Amen"

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Congregation: **Amen.**

Postlude

EVENING SERMON

"The Walk of the Godly" Psalm 71:1-13

Thomas Jefferson Calls Virginia to Prayer and Thanksgiving

On October 20, 1779, the Continental Congress asked the states to set "apart the second Thursday in December next, as a day of general thanksgiving." This request issued by Congress to the thirteen American states was the eighth spiritual proclamation of sixteen calling the states to fast, pray and give thanks to God. Beginning in 1775, the Continental Congress issued nearly two spiritual proclamations a year until 1783—throughout the years of the American Revolution. In the spring, usually a proclamation was issued by Congress asking the states to fast and pray. In the fall, proclamations were issued requesting the states to pray and give thanks. Congress issued the proclamations to the states, and—as demonstrated by Thomas Jefferson, governor of Virginia in 1779—respective states were asked to observe the proclamations by requesting that their citizens cease from normal labor on the designated day.

On November 11, 1779, Governor Thomas Jefferson complied with the request from Congress and issued a proclamation to the state of Virginia, calling for a day of thanksgiving and prayer for December 9, 1779—the date established by Congress. The proclamation read...

Proclamation Appointing a Day of Thanksgiving and Prayer

Whereas the Honorable the General Congress, impressed with a grateful sense of the goodness of Almighty God, in blessing the greater part of this extensive continent with plentiful harvests, crowning our arms with repeated successes, conducting us hitherto safely through the perils with which we have been encompassed and manifesting in multiplied instances his divine care of these infant states, hath thought proper by their act of the 20th day of October last, to recommend to the several states that Thursday the 9th of December next be appointed a day of public and solemn thanksgiving and prayer, which act is in these words, to wit.

Whereas it becomes us humbly to approach the throne of Almighty God, with gratitude and praise, for the wonders which his goodness has wrought in conducting our forefathers to this western world; for his protection to them and to their posterity, amidst difficulties and dangers; for raising us their children from deep distress, to be numbered among the nations of the earth; and for arming the hands of just and mighty Princes in our deliverance; and especially for that he hath been pleased to grant us the enjoyment of health and so to order the revolving seasons, that the earth hath produced her increase in abundance, blessing the labors of the husbandman, and spreading plenty through the land; that he hath prospered our arms and those of our ally, been a shield to our troops in the hour of danger, pointed their swords to victory, and led them in triumph over the bulwarks of the foe; that he hath gone with those who went out into the wilderness against the savage tribes; that he hath stayed the hand of the spoiler, and turned back his meditated destruction; that he hath prospered our commerce, and given success to those who sought the enemy on the face of the deep; and above all, that he hath diffused the glorious light of the gospel, whereby, through the merits of our gracious Redeemer, we may become the heirs of his eternal glory.

Therefore, resolved, that it be recommended to the several states to appoint THURSDAY the 9th of December next, to be a day of public and solemn THANKSGIVING to Almighty God, for his mercies, and of PRAYER, for the continuance of his favor and protection to these United States; to beseech him that he would be graciously pleased to influence our public Councils, and bless them with wisdom from on high, with unanimity, firmness and success; that he would go forth with our hosts and crown our arms with victory; that he would grant to his church, the plentiful effusions of divine grace, and pour out his holy spirit on all Ministers of the gospel; that he would bless and prosper the means of education, and spread the light of Christian knowledge through the remotest corners of the earth; that he would smile upon the labors of his people, and cause the earth to bring forth her fruits in abundance, that we may with gratitude and gladness enjoy them; that he would take into his holy protection, our illustrious ally, give him victory over his enemies, and render him finally great, as the father of his people, and the protector of the rights of mankind; that he would graciously be pleased to turn the hearts of our enemies, and to dispense the blessings of peace to contending nations.

That he would in mercy look down upon us, pardon all our sins, and receive us into his favor; and finally, that he would establish the independence of these United States upon the basis of religion and virtue, and support and protect them in the enjoyment of peace, liberty and safety."

I do therefore by authority from the General Assembly issue this my proclamation, hereby appointing Thursday the 9th day of December next, a day of public and solemn thanksgiving and prayer to Almighty God, earnestly recommending to all the good people of this commonwealth, to set apart the said day for those purposes, and to the several Ministers of religion to meet their respective societies thereon, to assist them in their prayers, edify them with their discourses, and generally to perform the sacred duties of their function, proper for the occasion.

Given under my hand and the seal of the commonwealth, at Williamsburg, this 11th day of November, in the year of our Lord, 1779, and in the fourth of the commonwealth." -THOMAS JEFFERSON

_Excerpt taken from _Thomas Jefferson Calls Virginia to Prayer and Thanksgiving Posted by Dr. Christopher Ion | Nov 3, 2022

<https://christianheritagefellowship.com/thomas-jefferson-calls-virginia-to-prayer-and-thanksgiving/>

SERVICES

THE LORD'S DAY

Morning Worship 10:00 AM

Evening Worship 7:00 PM

Children's Ministry 7:00 PM

Deacons Meeting 8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

NO BIBLE STUDY

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