

Morning Prayer



Time of Silence and Centering

Music of Our Hearts – *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Calling to Prayer

The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,

Thank you!

The hills and valleys are filled with color, and we say,

Thank you!

The vines and trees are filled with fruit, and we say,

Thank you!

Our tables are overflowing with food, and we say,

Thank you!

Our life is filled with love of family and friends, and we say,

Thank you!

We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,

Thank you!

We come with open hearts and open lives,

Fill us with gratitude and grace!

Reading: Colossians 3

¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ^[b] dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.^[c] ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

A Time of Releasing and Letting Go

Turning to Give Thanks for God's Presence in Our Lives/This Church

Song of Our Hearts: Thine is the Glory

Giving Thanks for People in Our Lives

Giving Thanks for Callings, Adventures, and Experiences

Song of Our Hearts: Thine is the Glory

Prayers for our Needs and the Needs of Others

Song of Our Hearts: Sung Lord's Prayer (hear it in your heart)

Closing Responses

You are invited to lift one of the phrases below. If more than one lifts a phrase at the same time, it will simply be a chorus of angels. We will finish in unison:

The way is long, let us go together.

The way is difficult, let us help each other.

The way is joyful, let us share it.

The way is Christ's, for Christ is the Way, let us follow.

(spoken by the blessor)

The way is open before us, let us go:

With the love of God

The grace of Christ, and

The communion of the Holy Spirit

Sharing of the Peace