

Thanksgiving Day Service

Thursday, November 23, 2023

9:30 AM

New Life Christian Reformed Church



PRELUDE

HANDBELL CHOIR:

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

OPENING PRAYER

*WELCOME

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONG: "Now Thank We All Our God" *PsH #454:1-2*

THANKSGIVING LITANY: *(responsive)*

SONG: "Give Thanks to God, for Good Is He"
PsH #182:1-3

CHOIR:.....**Appalachian Grace**

DEACON'S PRAYER

OFFERING: *The offering will be received for designated causes. All unspecified offerings will go to the Ministry Opportunity Fund of New Life Church.*

OFFERTORY VIDEO: "Thank You"

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE:..... Genesis 4:1-7 (pg. 6)

MESSAGE:.....**THE FIRST THANKSGIVING DAY**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: "Let All Things Now Living" *PsH #453:1-2*

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "Now Thank We All Our God"
PsH #454:3

*POSTLUDE

Rev. Cal Aardsma, Worship Leader; Lori Hofstra, Organist

**Those able are invited to stand.*

PsH=Psalter Hymnal; TCH=The Celebration Hymnal



Nursery Attendants: Jill Boender and Tina Hoeksema

Thanksgiving Litany Reader: Craig Menninga

THIS MORNING, we welcome **REV. CAL AARDSMA** and thank him for leading our Thanksgiving Day Service.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Holy God, our praise can never match the wondrous measure of your mercy. Our lips can never express the depth of gratitude that our hearts feel. In your providence we have been kept, of your bounty we have received, and under the shadow of your wings our souls have learned to rejoice. You have led us through each decision of our lives. Your goodness and mercy have followed us all our days. By green pastures we have been led. In the dark valley we have not walked alone. Our comfort has been in your rod and staff. We thank you that we are made to be dependent, that none of us can live without you. But most of all we thank you that you are dependable, naming us one by one, knowing each of our needs, and supplying all that we require and more, out of your eternal mercy. Hear us, O God, as our hearts, at their best and at their humblest, give you the glory that belongs to your name. In you we find our steadfast and unfrightened hope through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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