



**THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF ENFIELD (ENFIELD, CT)**  
**CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY/THANKSGIVING SUNDAY**  
**∞ NOVEMBER 22, 2020 ∞**  
**GUIDE FOR IN-PERSON AND ONLINE WORSHIP**

**We Gather in God's Name**

**Gathering**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Joyful Noise in Praise of God – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**

*(We'll be making a joyful noise through congregational percussion instead of congregational singing.)*

*Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.*

*God our Maker doth provide, for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.*

*All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to God we yield;  
wheat and tares together sown, are to joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we, wholesome grain and pure may be.*

**Opening Prayer**

**Extravagant, generous giver of all good things,  
just as you brought the Israelites  
into a land flowing with milk and honey –  
a land where they could be free from bondage and oppression,  
you have brought us into this good land –  
a land with flowing streams, a land of wheat and corn,  
of fertile plains, and majestic mountains.**

**We give you thanks:  
for the bounty that fills our tables,  
for the water that satisfies our thirst,  
for the beauty of this land where we are free to worship you  
in the name of Jesus, who is the Christ. Amen.**

**We Proclaim and Respond to God's Word**

**Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 8:7-18**

<sup>7</sup>For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, <sup>8</sup>a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, <sup>9</sup>a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.

<sup>10</sup>You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. <sup>11</sup>Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today.

<sup>12</sup>When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup>and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup>then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup>who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, <sup>16</sup>and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. <sup>17</sup>Do not say to yourself, “My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.” <sup>18</sup>But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

**Musical Reflection** – *Let All Things Now Living* (piano solo)

**\*Gospel Reading – Luke 17:11-19**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

**Sermon** – *Don’t Forget to Say Thank You*

**Silent Reflection**

**Blessing of the Prayer Shawls**

**Concerns and Celebrations**

**Hymn of Preparation** – *In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful*

In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices, the Lord is near, lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

**Intercessory Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**We Give Thanks for God’s Gifts**

## **Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts**

### **Offertory Prayer**

**Gracious and generous God,  
let this offering support and strengthen this house,  
let these gifts be put in service to your world,  
let our hearts bend towards the wholeness of your creation.  
Amen.**

## **We Go Forth In God's Name**

### **\*Joyful Noise in Praise of God – *For the Beauty of the Earth***

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*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;*

[Refrain]

*Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild;*

[Refrain]

*For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given,  
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven:*

[Refrain]

### **Benediction**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with all of you – wherever you travel this week.

### **Sending Ritual – Going Out Into the World as Disciples**

\*Please feel free to stand – wherever you are!

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