

*Gratitude is an offering precious in the sight of God,
and it is one that the poorest of us can make
and be not poorer but richer for having made it.*
—A. W. Tozer

*The key to thankfulness is not to view God
through the lens of our circumstances,
but to view our circumstances through the lens of
God's love and sovereign purpose.*
—Anne Graham Lotz

Piano Prelude: *Thankful* R. Blaney

Welcome and Call to Worship

***Congregational Song of Gratitude:** *Great Things* J. Myrin, P. Wickham

***Litany of Gratitude:** *from Psalm 138*

Leader: I will give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart;

People: I praise your name for your unfailing love and faithfulness.

Leader: Your promises are backed by all the honor of your name;

People: you encourage me by giving me strength.

Leader: Every king in all the earth will thank you, Lord,

People: for all of them will hear your words.

Leader: Though the Lord is great, he cares for the humble,

People: but he keeps his distance from the proud.

Leader: Though I am surrounded by troubles,

People: you will protect me from the anger of my enemies.

Leader: You reach out your hand,

People: and the power of your right hand saves me.

Leader: The Lord will work out his plans for my life—

People: for your faithful love, O Lord, endures forever.

All: I will give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart!

(OVER)

Song of Blessings (quintet and congregation): *Goodness of God*

J. Johnson, et al

Quintet:

I love you, Lord, for your mercy never fails me.
 All my days I've been held in your hands.
 From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head,
 I will sing of the goodness of God.

I love your voice; you have led me through the fire,
 and in darkest night you are close like no other.
 I've known you as a father, I've known you as a friend,
 and I have lived in the goodness of God.

All my life you have been faithful,
 and all my life you have been so, so good.
 With every breath that I am able,
 I will sing of the goodness of God.

'Cause your goodness is runnin' after, it's runnin' after me.
 Your goodness is runnin' after, it's runnin' after me.
 With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give you everything.
 'Cause your goodness is runnin' after, it's runnin' after me.

All my life you have been faithful,
 and all my life you have been so, so good.
 With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God,
 I will sing of the goodness of God,
 I will sing of the goodness of God!

*Congregation: (see screen for words)

Prayer of Thanksgiving**Scripture Lesson:**

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.**A Message for Living:**

"Thanks, but No Thanks"
 Ms. Alix Riley, Director of Adult Ministries

Prayer**Testimonies to God's Goodness****Prayer of Celebration and Gratitude*****Hymn of Rejoicing:***Now Thank We All Our God*

M. Rinkart, et al

***Charge and Benediction**

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Keyboard Postlude:*Now Thank We All Our God*

J. Sanborn

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