

# Thankfulness and gratitude

Cafe-style service

Luke 17: 11 – 19

2nd June 2024



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# Welcome & call to worship

“I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh. Then they will follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws” (Ezekiel 11:19-20).



# Opening prayer

Lord, we do indeed bless your holy name, for you are the God who made all things and who sustains all things. In love you gave your Son to be our Saviour and so offer us eternal life. And so, we worship you with our whole heart, mind and strength. **Amen.**



# Confession

Lord, we confess that in common with others we have sinned against you, against one another and against ourselves. Forgive us, Lord, and turn us from evil to good, for your glory's sake. **Amen.**



# Assurance of pardon

The Lord offers forgiveness to all who turn away from their sin. He says “You sins are forgiven.” Let us receive his forgiveness and follow him now and always. **Amen.**



# Songs

- Now thank we all our God
- Immortal, invisible

# Now thank we all



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**Now thank we all our  
God, with hearts and  
hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things  
has done, in Whom His  
world rejoices;**





**Who from our mothers'  
arms hath blessed  
us on our way  
With countless gifts of  
love, and still is  
ours today.**



**O may this bounteous  
God through all our life  
be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace  
to cheer us;**



**And keep us in His grace,  
and guide us when  
perplexed;  
And free us from all ills,  
in this world and the next.**



**All praise and thanks  
to God the Father  
now be given;  
The Son, and Him Who  
reigns with Them in  
highest Heaven;**



**The one eternal God, whom  
heaven and earth adore;  
For thus it was, is now, and  
shall be evermore.**

# Immortal, invisible,



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**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our  
eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the  
Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great  
name we praise.**



**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as  
light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou  
rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high  
soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of  
goodness and love.**





**To all life Thou givest, to both great  
and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of  
all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves  
on the tree,  
And wither and perish, but nought  
changeth Thee.**



**Great Father of Glory, pure Father  
of Light  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling  
their sight;  
All laud we would render, O help us  
to see:  
'Tis only the splendour of light  
hideth Thee.**



**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
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eyes,  
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# Worship Through Giving



## The Offertory

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# Offertory prayer

**Gracious Lord, we offer to you  
all we have and all we are for  
your kingdom's sake, wherever  
we come from and wherever  
we're going. Amen.**



# Introduction to theme

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p021n64v>

## Thankfulness and gratitude

# Reading Luke 17: 11 - 19

After the reading:

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**



# Action song

If you're thankful and you know it.





**If you're thankful and you  
know it.**



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If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (clap, clap)

If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (clap, clap)

If you're thankful and you know it,  
then your prayers will surely show it,

If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (clap, clap)



If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (stomp, stomp)

If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (stomp, stomp)

If you're thankful and you know it,  
then your prayers will surely show it,

If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (stomp, stomp)



If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (raise your arms)  
If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (raise your arms)  
If you're thankful and you know it,  
then your prayers will surely show it,  
If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (raise your arms)



If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (clap, clap), (stomp,  
stomp), (raise your arms)

If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (clap, clap), (stomp,  
stomp), (raise your arms)



If you're thankful and you know it,  
then your prayers will surely  
show it,

If you're thankful and you know it,  
praise the Lord. (clap, clap),  
(stomp, stomp), (raise your arms)



# Activity at tables

- Make a thank you card
- Make a list of things you need to thank God for



# Reflection

Thank you.





# Prayer after reflection

Lord, we thank you for all you have done for us and that you have written your laws on our hearts by the work of your Spirit. Help us, Lord, to walk in your ways however old or young we may be. In Jesus' name. **Amen.**



# The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done on earth as  
in heaven**



**Give us today our daily  
bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we  
forgive those who sin  
against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation**



**but deliver us from evil. For  
the kingdom, the power and  
the glory are yours now and  
for ever. Amen.**



# Closing song

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation



**Praise to the Lord, the  
Almighty, the King  
of creation!**



**Praise to the Lord, the  
Almighty, the King  
of creation!**

**O my soul, praise Him, for He  
is thy health and salvation!**



**All ye who hear, brothers and  
sisters, draw near,  
Praise Him in glad adoration!**





**Praise to the Lord, who o'er  
all things so wondrously  
reigneth;  
Shelters thee under His  
wings, yea,  
so gently sustaineth.**



**Hast thou not seen all that  
is needful hath been  
Granted in what He  
ordaineth?**



**Praise to the Lord, who doth  
prosper thy work and defend  
thee;**

**Surely His goodness and  
mercy here daily attend thee.**



**Ponder anew what the  
Almighty can do,  
Who with His love doth  
befriend thee.**



**Praise to the Lord - O let all  
that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath  
come now with praises  
before Him!**



**Let the 'Amen!' sound from  
His people again -  
Gladly for aye we adore  
Him!**

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# Closing prayer & blessing

As we take our worship, praise, and prayer from this place and into our daily lives, with thanksgiving in our hearts we ask that our lives be sustained through the love of our Heavenly Father. May we feel



the presence of our Saviour  
walking beside us and know the  
power of the Spirit in both our  
actions and our words. **Amen.**





And the blessing of God  
Almighty, the Father, the Son and  
the Holy Spirit be among you  
and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**



Go in peace to love, serve and  
share the Lord

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

