



## THANKSGIVING DAY

### MUSIC & WORSHIP RESOURCES

Sunday, November 22, 2009 or Thursday, November 26, 2009

W. Patrick Alston, Lectionary Team Liturgist

#### 1. Litany

##### Thanksgiving

Leader: All praise to God for the birds of the air, the fruit of the field, and interstellar space. We praise you for all that is past and trust in you for all that is to come. For our history and our future we give thanks unto the Lord.

**People:**           **All praise be to God for the harvest. May we be good stewards of your bounty.**

Leader:           Thankfulness should be a constant state of being, but during this season of Thanksgiving, we take special pause to give thanks. All love comes from you, O Lord. Teach us to love. For our families and all who work to knit us in love, we are grateful.

**People:**           **All praise be to the Living God. May we be good stewards of your bounty.**

Leader:           God, our Provider, we give thanks for the places we call home. For nations and motherlands, cities, and neighborhoods, places to lay our heads and tables blessed with food, we give you thanks.

**People:**           **All praise be to the Loving God. May we be good stewards of your bounty.**

Leader:           We are a colorful nation of workers and dreamers, whether we came willingly or in chains. Aid us Lord, as we continue to challenge this nation to live up to its promises of freedom, opportunity, and equality. Help us as we continue to be the conscience of our land, guardians of civil rights and human dignity.

**People:**           **All praise be to the Holy God. May we be good stewards of your bounty.**

Leader:           Thank you for jobs and the possibility of jobs. Thank you for well-being and the guardians of our well-being. Thank you for your church and our church family, for our pastor, ministers, and elders. For laughter, joy, and the beauty of the earth, we give thanks.

**People:**           **All praise be to the Most High God. May we be good stewards of your bounty.**

Leader:           Now unto your Son, who made one perfect sacrifice for all, we give triumphant thanks. For his shed blood and its redemptive power, we rejoice. We are grateful that from your hand we receive daily sustenance and love that is more than we expect or deserve.

**People:**           **All praise to God for the harvest. We give thanks to him. For God has done great things. “For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations” (Psalm 100:5).**

## **2. Hymns or Congregational Songs**

(a) We Gather Together. Netherlands folk hymn. Tune, (Kremser) by Edward Kremser

(b) Come Ye Thankful People Come. By Henry Alford. Tune, (St. George's Windsor) by George J. Elvey

(c) Now Thank We All Our God. By Martin Rinkhart. Tune, (Nun Danket) by Johann Cruger

### **3. Spirituals or Traditional Songs**

(a) I Want to Thank You, Lord. By Moses Hogan

(b) O Give Thanks. By Charles Nicks

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sv58ABSLrO4>

(c) I Thank You Lord. By Mattie Moss Clark

### **4. Gospel Songs for Choirs, Ensembles, or Praise Teams**

(a) O Give Thanks. By Craig Hayes

(b) Lord I Thank You. By Rudolph Stansfield

(c) Grateful. By Kevin Davidson

### **5. Liturgical Dance Music**

Thank You. By Richard Smallwood

### **6. Anthems**

(a) Festival Hymn of Thanksgiving. By Paul Sjolund. *For SATB choir, congregation, organ, brass, timpani, and cymbals*

(b) Gloria from "Twelfth Mass." By Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. *For SATB choir and organ accompaniment*

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNBIIN0e4ec>

(c) Thanks Be to God from "Elijah." By Felix Mendelssohn

### **7. Modern Songs**

(a) Grateful. By Kurt Carr

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQzeWT1Znv4>

(b) God Is Great. By Kevin Davidson

(c) How Can I Say Thank You. By Hezekiah Walker and Eric McDaniels

### **8. Song or Instrumental for the Offertory Period**

(a) Keeps On Making a Way. By Percy Gray

(b) You're a Great God. By Percy Gray

(c) Give Him Glory. By DeAndre Patterson

### **9. Song or Instrumental for the Period of Prayer**

(a) Bless This House. By Roy Ringwald

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gijVYLr7DRo>

(b) Thank You, Lord. By Seth Sykes and Bessie Sykes

### **10. Sermonic Selection**

(a) Thanks Be to God. By Noble Cain. *For SATB choir and accompaniment*

(b) Lord I'm So Grateful. By Fernando G. Allen

(c) Bless the Lord. By Fernando G. Allen

### **11. Invitational Song or Instrumental**

Thank You, Lord. Traditional

### **12. Benediction Song**

(a) Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow. By Isaac Watts. Arr. by Roberta Martin

(b) Let All the People Praise Thee. By C. H. Morris

## **Cites and Additional Information for Music and Material Listed**

### **1. Litany – “Thanksgiving”**

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. Chicago, IL: GIA Publications, 2001. #99. Used with permission

### **2. Hymns or Congregational Songs**

(a) We Gather Together. Netherlands folk hymn. Tune, (Kremser) by Edward Kremser

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #342

African Methodist Episcopal Church. African Methodist Episcopal Church Hymnal. Nashville, TN: African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2006. #576

Lead Me, Guide Me: The African American Catholic Hymnal. Chicago, IL: GIA Publications, 1987. #307

National Baptist Publishing Board. The New National Baptist Hymnal. Nashville, TN: National Baptist Pub. Board, 1981. #47

The New National Baptist Hymnal 21st Century Edition. Nashville, TN: Triad

Publications, 2005. #326

The Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal. Hagerstown, MD: Review and Herald Publishing Association, 1985. #8

The United Methodist Hymnal: Book of United Methodist Worship. Nashville, TN: The United Methodist Publishing House, 1989. #131

Church of God in Christ. Yes Lord! Church of God in Christ Hymnal. Memphis, TN: Church of God in Christ Pub. Board in association with the Benson Co., 1982. #8

(b) Come Ye Thankful People Come. By Henry Alford. Tune, (St. George's Windsor) by George J. Elvey

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #194

African Methodist Episcopal Hymnal. #574

Lead Me, Guide Me: The African American Catholic Hymnal. #205

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #46

The New National Baptist Hymnal 21st Century Edition. #327

The Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal. #557

The United Methodist Hymnal. #694

(c) Now Thank We All Our God. By Martin Rinkhart. Tune, (Nun Danket) by Johann Cruger

Location:

African Methodist Episcopal Hymnal. #573

Lead Me, Guide Me: The African American Catholic Hymnal. #208

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #45

The New National Baptist Hymnal 21st Century Edition. #330

The Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal. #559

The United Methodist Hymnal. #102

### **3. Spirituals or Traditional Songs**

(a) I Want to Thank You, Lord. By Moses Hogan

Location:

Distributed by Hal Leonard Corporation  
Available from J. W. Pepper & Sons Incorporated  
2480 Industrial Boulevard  
Paoli, PA 19301  
Phone: 1-800-345-6296

Online location: [www.jwpepper.com](http://www.jwpepper.com)

(b) O Give Thanks. By Charles Nicks

Location:

Nicks, Charles and the St. James Adult Choir. Hold Back the Night. Southfield, MI: Sounds of Gospel Records, 2006.

(c) I Thank You Lord. By Mattie Moss Clark

Location:

Various Artists. Detroit Remembers, Volume II. Southfield, MI: Sounds of Gospel Records, 2007.

#### **4. Gospel Songs for Choirs, Ensembles, or Praise Teams**

(a) O Give Thanks. By Craig Hayes

Location:

Walker, Hezekiah and LFC. Souled Out. New York, NY: Verity, 2008.

(b) Lord I Thank You. By Rudolph Stansfield

Location:

Anderson Sanctuary Choir. Joyful Praise. Jackson, MS: Malaco Records, 2004.

(c) Grateful. By Kevin Davidson

Location:

Davidson, Kevin and The Voices. Full Circle Live. Franklin, TN: New Haven Records, 2003.

#### **5. Liturgical Dance Music**

Thank You. By Richard Smallwood

Location:

Adoration Live in Atlanta. New York, NY: Zomba Records, 1996.

#### **6. Anthems**

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Location:

Hinshaw Music  
P.O. Box 470  
Chapel Hill, NC 25714  
Phone: 1-800-568-7805

Online location: [www.sheetmusicplus.com](http://www.sheetmusicplus.com)

(b) Gloria from “Twelfth Mass.” By Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. *For SATB choir and organ*

Location:

Theodore Pressor Company  
588 North Gulph Road  
King of Prussia, PA 19406  
Phone: 610-592-1222

Online location: [www.sheetmusicplus.com](http://www.sheetmusicplus.com)

(c) Thanks Be to God from “Elijah.” By Felix Mendelssohn

Location:

E. C. Schirmer Publishers  
257 Park Ave. South  
New York, NY 10010  
Phone: 212-254-2100

Online location: [www.sheetmusicplus.com](http://www.sheetmusicplus.com)

## **7. Modern Songs**

(a) Grateful. By Kurt Carr

Location:

Carr, Kurt and The Kurt Carr Singers. No One Else. Inglewood, CA: Gospocentric, 1998.

(b) God Is Great. By Kevin Davidson

Location:

Davidson, Kevin and The Voices. Full Circle. Franklin, TN: New Haven Records, 2003.

(c) How Can I Say Thank You. By Hezekiah Walker and Eric McDaniels

Location:

Walker, Hezekiah and LFC. Live in Toronto. New York, NY: Verity, 1993.

## **8. Song or Instrumental for the Offertory Period**

(a) Keeps On Making a Way. By Percy Gray

Location:

The Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir. This Is Your House. Brentwood, TN: Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir, 2003.

Reed’s Temple Mass Choir. Keeps On Making a Way. Franklin, TN: New Haven Records, 2002.

(b) You’re a Great God. By Percy Gray

Location:

Reed’s Temple Mass Choir. Keeps On Making a Way. Franklin, TN: New Haven Records, 2002.

(c) Give Him Glory. By DeAndre Patterson

Location:

DeAndre Patterson. Indianapolis, IN: Tyscot Records, 2004.

### **9. Song or Instrumental for the Period of Prayer**

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Location:

Shawnee Press, Inc.  
1107 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South  
Nashville, TN 37212  
Phone: 1-800-962-8584

Online location: [www.sheetmusicplus.com](http://www.sheetmusicplus.com)

(b) Thank You, Lord. By Seth Sykes and Bessie Sykes

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #536

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #464

The New National Baptist Hymnal 21st Century Edition. #324

Yes Lord! Church of God in Christ Hymnal. #474

### **10. Sermonic Selection**

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Location:

Published by Boosey & Hawkes

Online location: [www.sheetmusicplus.com](http://www.sheetmusicplus.com)

(b) Lord I'm So Grateful. By Fernando G. Allen

Location:

Bless the Lord. Baltimore, MD: Ice Records, 2004.

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Bless The Lord. Baltimore, MD: Ice Records, 2004.

### **11. Invitational Song or Instrumental**

Thank You, Lord. Traditional

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #531



Lead Me, Guide Me: The African American Catholic Hymnal. #206

Cleveland, J. Jefferson, and Verolga Nix. Songs of Zion. Nashville, TN: Abingdon, 1981.  
#228

## **12. Benediction Song**

(a) Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow. By Isaac Watts. Arr. by Roberta Martin

Location:

African American Heritage Hymnal. #650

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #529

(b) Let All the People Praise Thee. By C. H. Morris

Location:

African Methodist Episcopal Hymnal. #58

Lead Me, Guide Me: The African American Catholic Hymnal. #83

The New National Baptist Hymnal. #28

The New National Baptist Hymnal 21st Century Edition. #11

Yes Lord! Church of God in Christ Hymnal. #14