



Bryn Athyn Church

Happy Thanksgiving! As children, we are taught by our parents to say thanks to those who show us kindness. Even when we *could* do it on our own, it's polite to express gratitude when someone tries to help out. The difference with thanking the Lord, though, is that it's impossible for us to get things done without Him. Thanksgiving is a time of year that especially reminds us to be grateful to the Lord for all His blessings toward us.

Musicians

Penn View Brass Band, directed by John Shaw
Bryn Athyn Choristers, directed by Robin Bier
Leah Martin, organ

Preludes

Nun danket alle Gott, BWV 657 – Johann Sebastian Bach
Alleluya – arr. Philip Wilby
Men of Harlech – arr. Gordon Langford
Allegro from the Royal Fireworks – G. F. Handel, arr. Charles Skinner
Benedictus – Karl Jenkins, arr. Tony Small
The Home of Legends – Paul Lovatt-Cooper
Fanfare for the Common Man – Aaron Copland, adapt. Lisette De Luca
Be Thou My Vision – arr. Stephen Tighe

Procession

Morning Light – G. J. Webb, arr. Rieks Van der Velde
Duke Street Intrada – Ralph Carmichael, arr. Philip Rayment

Postlude

Arsenal - Jan Van der Roost

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Opening of the Lord's Word

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in the heavens, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, as in heaven so upon the earth. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; sing praises on the harp to our God, who covers the heavens with clouds, who prepares rain for the earth, who makes grass to grow on the mountains. He gives to the beast its food, and to the young ravens that cry.

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“And when the Lord your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant—and when you eat and are full, then take care lest you forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. It is the Lord your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you. [...] You shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and his testimonies and his statutes, which he has commanded you. And you shall do what is right and good in the sight of the Lord, that it may go well with you, and that you may go in and take possession of the good land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers...”

Deuteronomy 6:10-14, 17-18

“Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty. That this signifies the acknowledgment that all being, life, and power are from the Lord, is evident from the signification of saying and giving thanks, as denoting to acknowledge, since to fall upon the face and to adore, and then to give thanks, can have no other signification than to acknowledge, in this case, the omnipotence of the Lord.”

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