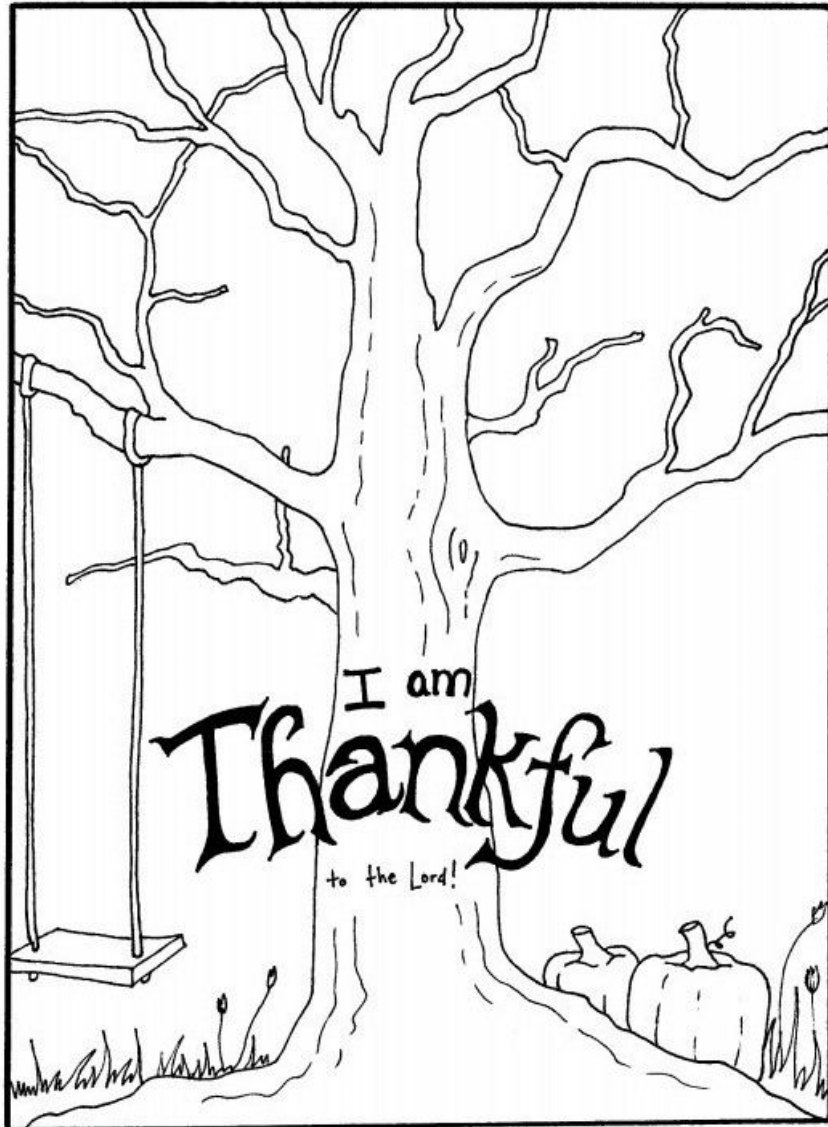


# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



5pm Informal Service  
November 26, 2017

## Welcome

*Celebrant* This is the day that the Lord has made.

*People* **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Together* **Lord, direct our thoughts, teach us to pray, lift up our hearts to worship you in Spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Your grace is enough*

Matt Maher (b. 1974)

*Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob*

*You use the weak to lead the strong*

*You lead us in the song of heaven's victory*

*And all your people sing along*

*So remember your people*

*Remember your children*

*Remember your promise, O God*

*For Your grace is enough*

*Your grace is enough*

*Your grace is enough*

*Your grace is enough for me*

## Opening Prayer

Holy God, we gather in this place on this night to give thanks to you for everything you have made. We thank you for creating the world, for our lives, and for the people who love us. Help us feel your Holy Spirit tonight, and help us always to be thankful for the blessings of this life and the promise of the life to come. We ask all this through your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Scripture Lesson

Lesson: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (CEV)

Remember this saying: "A few seeds make a small harvest, but a lot of seeds make a big harvest." Each of you must make up your own mind about how much to give. But don't feel sorry that you must give, and don't feel that you are forced to give. God loves people who love to give. God can bless you with everything you need, and you will always have more than enough to do all kinds of good things for others. The Scriptures say, "God freely gives his gifts to the poor, and always does right." God gives seed to farmers and provides everyone with food. He will increase what you have, so that you can give even more to those in need. You will be blessed in

every way, and you will be able to keep on being generous. Then many people will thank God when we deliver your gift. What you are doing is much more than a service that supplies God's people with what they need. It is something that will make many others thank God. The way in which you have proved yourselves by this service will bring honor and praise to God. You believed the message about Christ, and you obeyed it by sharing generously with God's people and with everyone else. Now they are praying for you and want to see you, because God used you to bless them so very much. Thank God for his gift that is too wonderful for words!

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Lesson

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:31-40 (CEV)

When the Son of Man comes in his glory with all of his angels, he will sit on his royal throne. The people of all nations will be brought before him, and he will separate them, placing some on his right and some on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, "My father has blessed you! Come and receive the kingdom that was prepared for you before the world was created. When I was hungry,

you gave me something to eat, and when I was thirsty, you gave me something to drink. When I was a stranger, you welcomed me, and when I was naked, you gave me clothes to wear. When I was sick, you took care of me, and when I was in jail, you visited me." Then the ones who pleased the Lord will ask, "When did we give you something to eat or drink? When did we welcome you as a

stranger or give you clothes to wear or  
visit you while you were sick or in jail?"  
The king will answer, "Whenever you

did it for any of my people, no matter  
how unimportant they seemed, you did  
it for me."

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*      Thanks be to God.

*Come Thou Fount*

Robert Robinson

**Verse 1**

*Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace.  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of thy redeeming love.*

**Verse 2**

*Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
Hither by thy help I've come,  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God.  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed his precious blood.*

**Verse 3**

*Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be.  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it,  
Seal it for thy courts above.  
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it,  
Seal it for thy courts above.*

## Homily

## Thanksgivings

**Chorus 1**

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.*

**Verse 1**

*The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.  
It's time to sing your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies  
before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.*

**Chorus 2**

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.*

**Verse 2**

*You're rich in love and you're slow to  
anger,  
Your name is great and your heart is kind;  
For all your goodness I will keep on  
singing,  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.*

**Chorus 3**

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.*

**Verse 3**

*And on that day when my strength is  
failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come,  
Still my soul will sing your praise  
unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forever more.*

**Chorus 4**

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.*

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul,  
Worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.*

*Yes, I will worship your holy name.  
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.  
Sing like never before, oh my soul,  
I'll worship your holy name.  
Yes, I will worship your holy name.  
Lord I'll worship your holy name.*

# Announcements

## Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.*

*Rain Down*

Jaime Cortez

**Refrain**

*Rain down, rain down,*

*Rain down your love on your people.*

*Rain down, rain down,*

*Rain down your love, God of life.*

*Faithful and true is the Word of our God.*

*All of God's works are so worthy of trust.*

*God's mercy falls on the just and the right.*

*Full of God's love is the earth.*

**Refrain**

*We who revere and find hope in our God*

*Live in the kindness and joy of God's*

*wing.*

*God will protect us from darkness and*

*death.*

*God will not leave us to starve.*

**Refrain**

*God of creation, we long for Your truth.*

*You are the water of life that we thirst.*

*Grant that Your love and peace touch our  
hearts.*

*All of our hope lies in You.*

**Refrain**

**Blessing and Dismissal**



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