

THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP THE LORD WITH GLADNESS



St. Matthews Church

WHERE COMMUNITY GATHERS AND GROWS

October 9, 2022

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*Hymn 840	<i>"Now Thank We All Our God"</i>
*Dismissal	A: Thanks be to God.
Postlude	<i>"Nun danket alle Gott"</i> S. Karg-Elert

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Welcome to our Intergenerational Thanksgiving Worship. The little ones are invited to remain in worship for the service. We've tried to make it accessible to all! For the gathering hymn and This is the Feast, there will be rhythm instruments. The children will have a short story time before the readings. During the readings and the sermon, there is an activity by the baptismal font. We will also celebrate Holy Communion today. If your children become restless, you are welcome to visit Scout Hall.

Leading Worship Today

Minister: Rev. Carey Meadows-Helmer

Assisting Minister: Scott Kuschnereit

Diaconal Minister of Music: Deacon Scott Knarr

Children: Lauren, Spencer, Gabrielle, James, Elise (in-person); Max and Mateo (virtual)

Choral Scholars: Nicole Hamilton, Laura Moolenbeek, Dylan Siebert, Jacob Steinmann

Djmebe: Peter Winkler

Broadcast: Gary Pootz

Building Monitor: Ron Roeder (519-895-6833)

Worship Notes

In our prayers Bruce, John, Susan, Marie, Grace, Maureen, Frank and Bernice.

Fire Exits: All Sanctuary fire exits remain operational during lower-level demolition and renovations. This includes the three Narthex (Entrance) doors, the mid-tower door (half-way up the right side), and the staircase at the front left, piano side.

Church Fire Plan For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety.

Litany

Child: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Assembly: We give thanks for this good earth, your gift to us and our home, and we pray for wisdom and gentleness to care for your creation, O God.

Child: Worship the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing.

Assembly: We gather with grateful hearts, remembering your mercy and strength, your justice and your compassion, your goodness and your grace.

Child: The Lord is God.

Assembly: May we live what we know of you and strive for what you seek, O God.

Child: We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Assembly: God loves the entire human family. God cares for those in need, and all who are alone, excluded and overlooked.

Child: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and praise to action.

Assembly: Move us through thanksgiving and praise... to action. Use us to heal wherever there is hurt and harm.

Child: Give thanks to God. Bless God's name.

Assembly: We are an offering! Show us how to be your hands and voice of love and action and compassion in the world.

Child: The Lord is good!

Assembly: May your goodness flow outward from us, flooding this world with love.

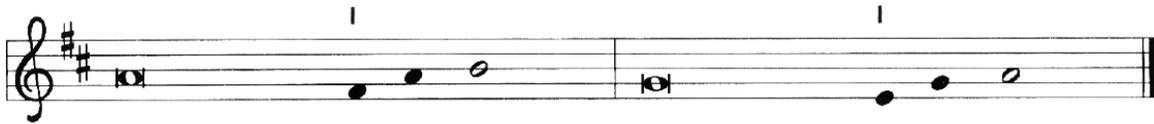
Child: God's steadfast love endures forever,

Assembly: Fill all people with your loving purpose in this day and in to the days to come.

All: And God's faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100

Tone 1



¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all you lands!

²Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence | with a song.

³**Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom | we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep | of God's pasture.**

⁴Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the | court's with praise;
give thanks and bless God's | Holy name.

⁵**Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is | everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from | age to age.**

Important Information for today's worship

- **Self-Screening:** Members are reminded to continue to perform self-assessments if they have COVID symptoms.
- **Masks:** We support people's choice to wear a mask, and we strongly encourage the following of current guidelines.
- **Physical distancing:** Members are encouraged to continue physical distancing where possible indoors.
- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon entering. The offering plates will be again presented to the High Altar during the service.
- **The Peace:** We support people's choices for passing of the peace.
- **Guides to Worship:** Please place these in the recycling bins in the Narthex upon leaving, or take them home.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, please remain in place until the end of the postlude.

- **Coffee Hour** has resumed, organized jointly with UNA Church.
- **Pastors** will be greeting after the service outdoors (weather permitting) or indoors, maintaining physical distancing.
- **Thank you for helping to keep all of us as safe as possible during this pandemic, by following these directions!**

General Announcements

Update on Phone System Outage: We thank you for your patience with the broken phone system. Quotes are coming in and once the decision is made on what company to go with, we'll have a better understanding of the timing of when the phone will be operational again. Another update will be sent out once we have that information. Thank you, Ron Roeder and Kim Schaner

Envisioned by members at St. Matthews and funded by an Eastern Synod Mission Committee grant as well as area churches, the Feather & Cross organization provides a safe space for Lutherans to learn about Indigenous practices and ways of life. We seek to nurture relationships and deepen our knowledge through a series of intergenerational workshops which explore Indigenous and Christian teachings, respecting the distinct spirituality of each tradition.

Join us at Martin Luther University College on October 23, 2022 at 1-3 pm for a workshop which explores Indigenous ways of learning and understanding the world through the medium of watercolour or acrylic painting or pencil drawing. A music workshop with guitar is also offered. Our instructors will be youth from the Six Nations on the Grand River Territory who are leading the Music for the Spirit project which Deacon Scott facilitates. See the notice on the next page for more details. **ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!** Please see our website at www.featherandcross.org for details of this event as well as photos of past events.



COME MAKE ART
WITH US!
SUN. OCT 23, 1-3 PM

Martin Luther University College,
corner of Bricker & Albert St, Waterloo

Choose from :

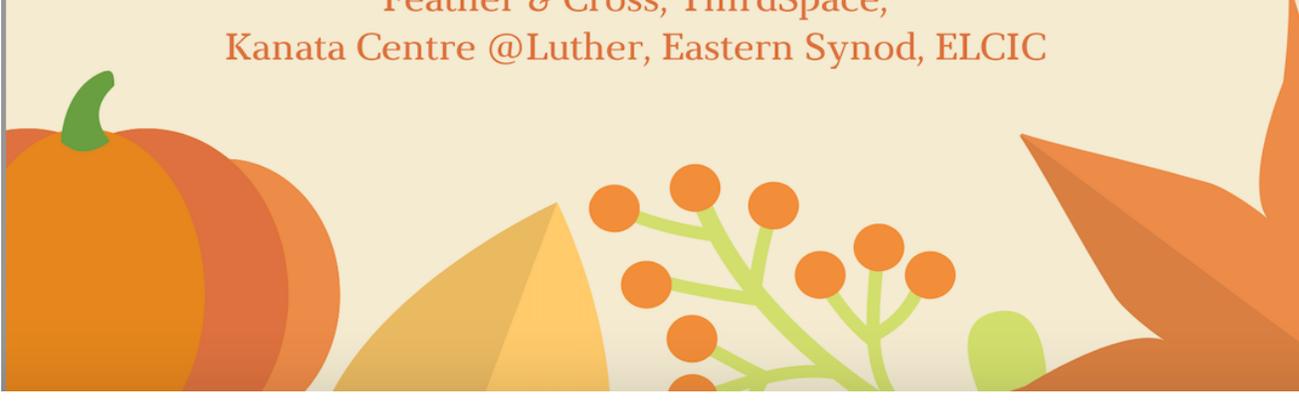
Watercolor Butterfly with Ashley Cattrysse,
Acrylic landscape with Thomas Anderson,
or Tattoo Design (pencil) with Steve Johnson
Acoustic Guitar with James Wilson

Email beverlymcnabb11@gmail.com with your
choice, to register .

All ages welcome! Supplies provided.

A Collaborative project by:

Music for the Spirit, Six Nations,
Feather & Cross, ThirdSpace,
Kanata Centre @Luther, Eastern Synod, ELCIC



ST. MATTS KIDS



Intergenerational Service

Thanksgiving Sunday

October 9th

Sunday School

Reformation Sunday

October 30th

St. Matthews & UNA Present

FELLOWSHIP TIME

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL



Space for your notes on today's service, for your personal reflection.



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