

“People will come from east and west, from north and south,
and will eat in the kingdom of heaven.” — Luke 13:29

GATHERING MUSIC

Dr. Bill Holda

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

BEACH SPRING

***CALL TO THIS PLACE**

As we gather for worship,
let us offer praise to God.
As we join voices and hearts,
we learn the importance of each one of us.
As we find unity in the wider body of Christ,
we learn that our whole is more than its parts.
Let us worship God.

***HYMN – No. 643**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

NAN DANKET ALLE GOTT

***CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Eternal God, in every age, you have raised up men and women
to live and die in faith.**
We confess that we are indifferent to your will.
You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent.
You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle.
You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us.
(A time for prayer and confession in silence)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news!
Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners like us all.
Jesus himself calls us together to learn and speak our stories of faith,
And to question our God in times of trial and suffering.
We might be dead to sin, discerning of deception, and alive to all that is good.
**We come to declare and affirm together and to one another
That in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, we are forgiven,
And I am forgiven. (Continued on the next page.)**

All who call upon Jesus in repentance and confession have God's mercy.
Amen.

***SHARING IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

God has forgiven us in Christ, God has freed us,
healed us so we can forgive ourselves and see anew.

We are also encouraged to forgive one another
and find healing and a new sense of life eternal.

This is the church's teaching, the proclamation of the gospel,
and even our evangelism.

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be present and felt by all of us.

May this peace be with us always and also with you. Amen.

(Time for sharing and greeting one another in fellowship and peace)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION

ENGAGING WITH THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

reader, Alan Peters

As we prepare to hear your holy word, O God,
we are ready to experience the heart of corporate worship.

Let thy word abide in us, O God, and bring us new wisdom and hope.

Help us to hear your scriptures as revelation, as if for the first time,

Open us up to your spiritual word in a new and gentle way. Amen.

SCRIPTURE TEXTS

Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 119:1-16

The Lord bless the reading of these words.

The Lord bless the hearing of these words.

Gospel Lesson: John 12: 20-26

God has spoken to us through Jesus Christ the Son.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN– No. 697

“Take My Life”

HENDON

Old Testament Lesson: Jonah 1 1-17, 3:1-10, 4:1-11

Holy wisdom, holy words.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Thousands of People Do not Know Their Right Hand from Their Left!”

Rev. David F. Judd

WELCOMING MEMBERS TO THE CHURCH

PRESENTATION Pg. 20 *Glory to God* hymnal

PROFESSION OF FAITH Pg. 21 *Glory to God*

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide, nurture,
And welcome these disciples by our word and deed with love and prayers?

We do.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD

CALL FOR OFFERING TO GOD

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***THE 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 debts, as we 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.**

***HYMN – No. 609**

“Doxology”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

DEDICATION AND CONSECRATION OF OUR PLEDGES FOR 2025

GOING FORTH TO LIVE THE WORD

***HYMN – No. 708**

“We Give Thee but Thine Own” (Verses 1, 2)

SCHUMANN

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty and ever-living God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for our community and this congregation.

All good gifts come first from You, O Lord, with generosity and by Your abundance. We now present our pledge and promises for the coming year.

May they strengthen the faithful and encourage us to pray for all.

With our commitment of time and talents, O Lord, arouse the careless and restore the penitent. Grant us everything necessary for our common life in our community and around the table. We welcome and serve everyone in your name. By this, our giving binds us together and brings us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy church through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN – No. 708 “We Give Thee but Thine Own” (Verses 3, 4)

SCHUMANN

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE “Now Thank We All Our God”

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Announcements

Welcome friends! May the welcome you feel here be worthy of the gracious God that we serve. In this service, an asterisk (*) invites you to stand as health allows. Material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say. Let us worship God!

Join us today! First Presbyterian, Alpine, and St. Andrew Churches will gather for a **Trialogue Chili Cook-Off** at First Presbyterian following worship.

Meals with Love will deliver meals this Tuesday. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact our coordinator, Janet Martin, at 903-237-8295

Wednesday Night Live dinner is served at 6 p.m. Please call or email the church office by noon on Tuesday. The cost is \$10 for adults, with reduced prices for children. This week's menu includes fajitas, a side, salad, dessert, and a drink.

A **Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for next Sunday, November 17, to approve amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and to the Corporate By-Laws.

Thank you for supporting Longview Community Ministries' **Annual Coats for Kids Drive!** You may donate funds online anytime so LCM can buy in quantity.

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1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:

who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

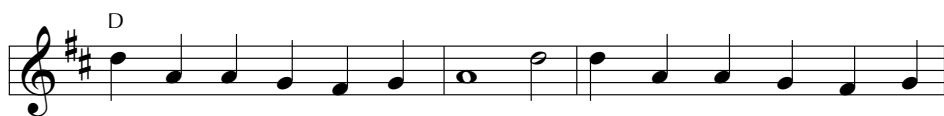
609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



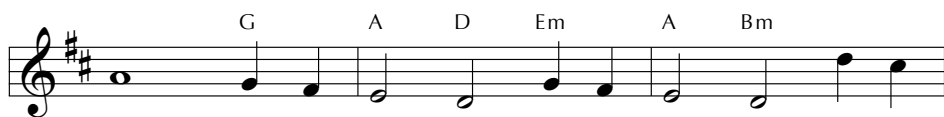
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures



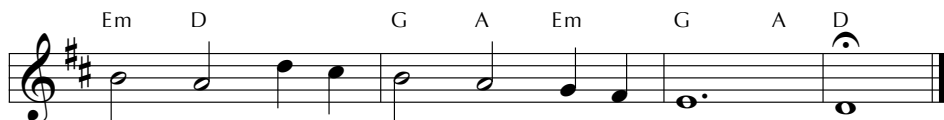
high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it



one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

We Give Thee but Thine Own 708

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
 2 May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-ards true re - ceive,
 3 The cap-tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
 to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Each successive stanza here expands the implications of the familiar affirmation of the first one. Much more than a concern with money, stewardship shapes our relationship with God and with other people. Despite this tune's name, no source has been found in Schumann's works.