

# The Riverside Church

in the City of New York



## **PSALM 100:4-5**

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,  
and God's courts with praise.

Give thanks to God, bless God's name.

For the Lord is good;  
the Lord's steadfast love endures forever,  
and the Lord's faithfulness to all generations.



NOVEMBER 28, 2019

THANKSGIVING SERVICE OF WORSHIP

## ORGAN

Chorale prelude on “Nun danket alle Gott”(BWV 657) *Johann Sebastian Bach*  
Prayer of Thanksgiving *Dale Wood*

## WELCOME

Rev. Debra Northern

## ✚PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## ✚CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 100

Amanda Meisenheimer

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**All: Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into God's presence with singing.**

One: Know that the Lord is God.

**All: It is God that made us, and we are God's;  
we are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.**

One: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,  
and God's courts with praise.

**All: Give thanks to God, bless God's name.**

One: For the Lord is good;

**All: the Lord's steadfast love endures forever,  
and the Lord's faithfulness to all generations.**

## ✚INVOCATION

## ✚HYMN 555

*Nun danket alle Gott*

Now Thank We All Our God

## HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Rev. Geraldine Howard

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 (*page 180 in the Old Testament*)

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE LESSON

Irene King

Philippians 4:4-9 (*page 198 in the New Testament*)

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## ✚HYMN 559

*Kremser*

We Gather Together

✚*All who are able, please stand*

**†GOSPEL LESSON**

Lorraine Burchall

John 6:25-35 (*page 98 in the New Testament*)

One: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**THANKSGIVING REFLECTIONS**

Riverside Clergy

**OFFERING INVITATION**

Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper

**OFFERTORY**

Chorale Prelude on "Now Thank We All Our God"

*Randall Thompson*

**†AT THE PRESENTATION: THE DOXOLOGY**

*The congregation rises row by row as ushers pass to symbolize the offering of our whole selves to God.*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, you heavenly host;**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION**

Rev. Harper

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE<sup>1</sup>**

**Riverside Clergy**

*Following each petition, please join in the following responses:*

One: You give, we receive,

All: **and we are thankful.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Pray in the language or version of your heart.*

**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.**

**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.**

**INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

Rev. Northern

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**†***All who are able, please stand*

## CALL TO SUPPER

One: The body of Christ, broken for you.

**All: Thanks be to God for the bread of life!**

One: The blood of Christ, poured out for you.

**All: Thanks be to God for the cup of blessing!**

*A gluten-free option for communion bread is available upon request  
from a communion server.*

## MUSIC AT COMMUNION

### ORGAN

Bread of Life

*Robert Hebble*

### HYMN 513

Let Us Break Bread Together

*Let Us Break Bread*

## †PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Rev. Northern

**God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May  
this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other.  
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## †BENEDICTION

## †RECESSIONAL HYMN 552

Give Thanks, O Christian People

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

## POSTLUDE

Marche Triomphale

*Sigfrid Karg-Elert*