



**Thursday, November 23, 2017 at 10am**

Words of Welcome

Reading of the Presidential Thanksgiving Proclamation

\*Invitation to Worship and God's Greeting: *Psalm 95:1-7*

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**We will come before Him with thanksgiving, and praise Him with music and song.**

The Lord is the great God, the great King above all other gods.

**In His hands are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.**

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us.

**He is our God and we are His people, the flock under His care.**

Grace and peace to all who worship here, from God our Father, our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Amen!

\*We Greet Each Other

\*Song of Gratitude

"Come, You Thankful People, Come"

Gray #527 (1,2,4)

Reading: Psalm 100 (Steve Zielinski , reader)

Song of Gratitude: "Let All Things Now Living" Gray #453

Thanksgiving Prayer See insert; four readers plus congregation

Reading: Selected verses from Psalm 107 (Henry Huizinga, reader)

\*Song of Gratitude: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" Gray #435 (1,3,4)

Prayer for Understanding: Toby Lewis

Scripture: Psalm 103:1-5

Message: **"Remember Your Goosebumps"**

Prayer

\*Song of Response: "Now Thank We All Our God" Gray #454

\*God's Blessing

\*Parting Song: "He Has Made Me Glad" Burgundy #214

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Avery Street Christian Reformed Church seeks to be a church of obedient Disciples of Jesus making obedient Disciples of Jesus.

**VISION STATEMENT**

Avery Street Christian Reformed Church is committed to fulfilling Jesus' command as expressed in the Great Commission: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

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**Thanksgiving Prayer**  
**Adapted from 1 Chronicles 16:18-36**

Reader 1: Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim His greatness. Let the whole world know what He has done.

Reader 2: Sing to Him; yes, sing His praises. Tell everyone about His wonderful deeds.

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, for You are good!**

Reader 3: Exult in His holy name; rejoice, you who worship the Lord.

Reader 4: Search for the Lord and for His strength; continually seek Him.

Reader 2: Remember the wonders He has performed, His miracles, and the rulings He has given.

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, for You have made Yourself known to us!**

Reader 1: He is the Lord our God. His justice is seen everywhere.

Reader 3: He remembers His covenant forever,

Reader 2: the commitment He made to a thousand generations;

Reader 4: the covenant He made with Abraham,

Reader 1: the oath He swore to Isaac.

Reader 3: He confirmed it to Jacob as a decree, to Israel as a never-ending covenant, saying,

Reader: 2: "I will give you the land of Canaan as your special possession."

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, for Your faithfulness from generation to generation!**

Reader 4: When His people were few in number, a tiny group of strangers in the land, they wandered from nation to nation, from one place to another.

Reader 1: Yet He did not let anyone oppress them. He warned kings and said, "Do not touch My people, and do not hurt My prophets."

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, for Your protection and care!**

Reader 3: Let the whole earth sing to the Lord! Each day proclaim the good news that He saves.

Reader 2: Publish His glorious deeds among the nations. Tell everyone about the amazing things He does.

Reader 1: Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! He is to be feared above all gods.

Reader 4: Other gods are merely idols, but the Lord made the heavens!

Reader 3: Honor and majesty surround Him; strength and joy fill His dwelling.

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, and sing for joy to You!**

Reader 2: Nations of the world, recognize the Lord—recognize that He is glorious and strong.

Reader 3: Give to the Lord the glory He deserves! Bring your offering and come into His presence.

Reader 4: Worship the Lord in all His holy splendor. Let all the earth tremble before Him. The world stands firm and cannot be shaken.

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, and worship You for Your glory and power!**

Reader 1: Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice! Tell all nations, "The Lord reigns!"

Reader 3: Let the sea and everything in it shout His praise!

Reader 4: Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy!

Reader 2: Let the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for He is coming to judge the earth.

**People: We give You thanks, Lord, for You are good, and Your love endures forever!**

Reader 1: Save us, O God of our salvation! Gather and rescue us from among the nations,

Reader 4: so that we can thank Your holy name and rejoice and praise You.

**People: Praise the Lord, who lives from everlasting to everlasting. Amen!**

Words adapted from 1 Chronicles 16:18-36 in the *New Living Translation* (NLT).

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