

C: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Hymn “Let All Things Now Living” **ELW#881**

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

We thank you for joining us in worship this Thanksgiving Eve. All are invited to gather downstairs in the church basement after the service for fellowship and refreshments. May you celebrate richly with family and friends this Thanksgiving and may all God’s children be drawn to the banquet table of the Lord.

The offerings of food and money this evening will go to support the efforts of the Wilton Food Pantry.



Worship on the Eve of Thanksgiving
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran, Wilton
Immanuel & Salem United Methodist, Norwalk
November 27, 2019

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Psalm 150

- ¹Praise the Lord!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament.
- ²Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!
- ³Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
- ⁴Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!
- ⁵ Praise him with clanging cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
- ⁶Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth" ELW #879

Prayer:

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. For all that you have done, for all that you are, and for all that you will ever do, we lift up our voices in praise to you. Hear our prayer and our song, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Insert

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Psalm 100 (Responsively)
Philippians 4:4-9

Gospel Reading: John 6:25-35
Message

Pastor Cathleen Morris²

Special Music: "All Good Gifts" Pastor Fran Hewuse

Prayers

Offering

Offertory "Give Thanks" back cover of ELW hymnal

Offertory Prayer:

Gracious, generous God; We thank you for the bountiful blessings you have bestowed upon us. For you are the creator of the whole universe, and when the world was completed, you saw that it was good. During this special season, remind us that we too should see the goodness in the world around us, be humbly thankful for our blessings, and be blessings to others. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving at the Table

Great Thanksgiving
Holy, Holy, Holy
Words of institution

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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 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, forever and ever.
Amen.**

Distribution

*Everyone who believes in Jesus is welcome at Christ's table.
(The cups in the center of the tray contain white grape juice)*

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.