

Sunday Worship

November 22, 2020

Thanksgiving Sunday



Rev. Raygan Baker



Welcome! Are you a guest with us, or interested in learning more about who we are, what we do, and how you can get involved? Text “New” to 559-425-4050 and fill out the Connect Card.

(*Congregation may stand | Responses: Liturgist/**Congregation/all**)

Prelude “Fairest Lord Jesus” - arr. Callahan Handbells
“Simple Gifts” - arr. Thompson

Welcome Rev. Raygan Baker

Gathering Prayer Liturgist: Maggie Kalashian

*Lord of heaven and earth!
of all nations and peoples,
of all faith and no faith,
we long to know you better.*

*Today, reveal yourself
to all who suffer,
to all who are refugees,
to all who hold power,
to all whose power has been withheld.*

*Today, reveal yourself
to ordinary people
in our ordinary lives,
that this world might reflect your love and your glory.
Open us to recognize your presence, to receive you fully,
and to follow your leading. Amen.*

Hymn “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Scripture Reading Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Liturgist: Maggie Kalashian

Time for Discovery

**Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still;
let this be our song — no one stands alone,
standing side by side. Draw the circle wide.**

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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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading:

Matthew 25:31-46

Liturgist: Maggie Kalashian

Sermon

Rev. Raygan Baker

Hymn

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

Sharing our Prayer Requests

Sung Call to Prayer

Lord, listen to your children praying:
Lord send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying:
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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Prayers of the People

Invitation to Generosity

Liturgist: Maggie Kalashian

More information about giving at the Big Red Church [here](#).

Blessing and Sung Benediction

Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;
know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world will see
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

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Postlude

Chorale improvisation on “Now Thank We All Our God”, Scott Horton, organ
Op. 65, No. 59- Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Descant

3. These to thee, our God, we owe, source whence our blessings flow;

1. Come, ye thank-ful peo-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home;
2. All the bless-ings of the field, all the stores the gar-dens yield,
3. These to thee, our God, we owe, source whence all our bless-ings flow;

for these our souls raise grate-ful vows and praise. Come, then, ye

all is safe-ly gath-ered in, ere the win-ter storms be-gin;
all the fruits in full sup-ply, rip-ened 'neath the sum-mer sky,
and for these our souls shall raise grate-ful vows and sol-emn praise.

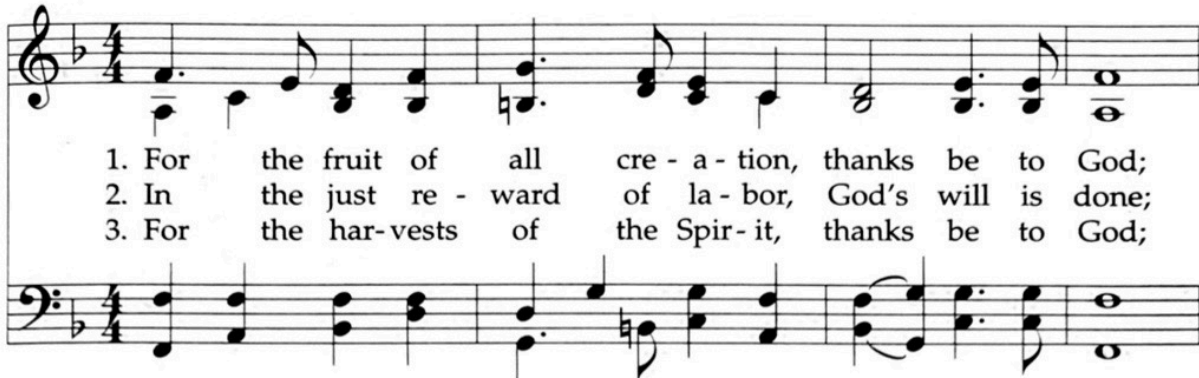
thank-ful peo-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home;

God, our Mak-er, does pro-vide for our wants to be sup-plied;
all that spring with boun-teous hand scat-ters o'er the smil-ing land,
Come, then, thank-ful peo-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home;

come to God's own tem-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home.

come to God's own tem-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home.
all that lib-eral au-tumn pours from its rich o'er-flow-ing stores,
come to God's own tem-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest home.

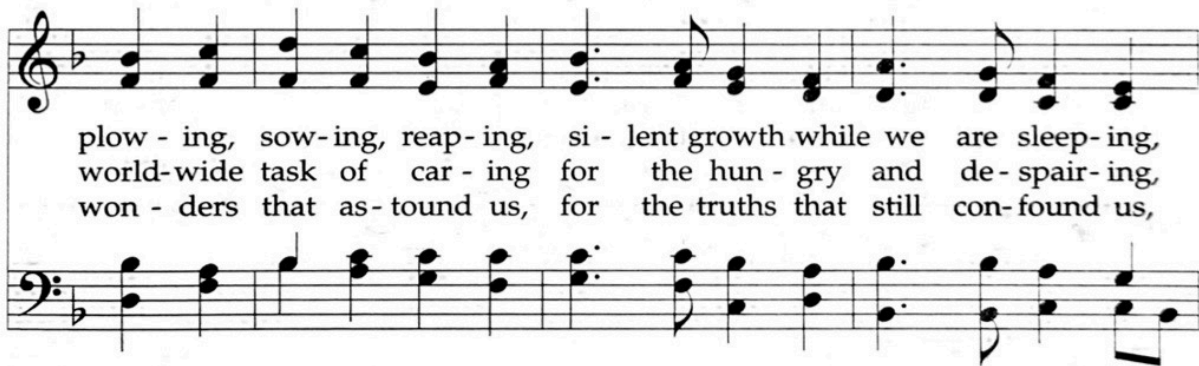
For the Fruit of All Creation



1. For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God;
 2. In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done;
 3. For the har-vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God;



for good gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God; for the
 in the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done; in our
 for the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God; for the



plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
 won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.


WORDS: Fred Pratt Green, 1970
 MUSIC: Traditional Welsh melody; harm. Luther Orlando Emerson, 1906

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Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner

Presented by Ministry of Church Life, First Congregational Church of Fresno

Sunday, November 22, 2020 The Ministry of Church Life will be offering a scrumptious turkey dinner with all the fixin's to 100 lucky folks.  Pick up from 2pm to 5pm in Fellowship Hall

Interested? Call Kymberly at 559-908-0326 to sign up. Just let us know how many meals you require. We are asking for a voluntary donation of \$5 per meal (at the door)

Don't drive? We've got you covered; let us know.



Proceeds to go towards additional coffee hour dates and 25% will go towards 1st Congregational Church General Fund.



Big Red Church Holiday Virtual Coffee Hour & Raffle

Presented by Ministry of Church Life, First Congregational Church of Fresno

***Come and get a free holiday treat
in December to enjoy during Sunday service or win a
raffle prize.***

December 5th, December 12th and December 19th

Three Saturdays – three times the goodies.

***Raffle drawing each week for wonderful holiday
prizes. Tickets are \$3 each – 5 tickets for \$12.***

***Call to reserve your goodies and/or for ticket
purchases.***

Pay at the door. Cash or checks only

***Pick up Saturday in the Fellowship Hall each week
from 2pm to 5pm.***



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