



# ST. ELISABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Glencoe Interfaith Thanksgiving Service*

November 21, 2021

7:00 PM

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*We at St. Elisabeth's share an adventurous spirit and a commitment  
to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors.*

## Prelude

## Welcome and Invocation

The Rev. Adam Spencer  
*St. Elisabeth's Church*

## Opening Hymn

*Please stand as able.*

The Hymnal 1982 No. 433

“We Gather Together”

*Kresmer*

1 We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;  
 2 Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,  
 3 We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,

he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;  
 or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;  
 and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing:  
 so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning:  
 Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion:

sing prais - es to his Name; he for - gets not his own.  
 thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glo - ry be thine!  
 thy Name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

*Please be seated.*

**Greetings**

Howard Roin  
*Glencoe Village President*

**Reading**

Rabbi Lisa Greene  
*North Shore Congregation Israel*

“Psalm One Hundred Forty: Thanksgiving Day”

*Written by Debbie Perlman*

How easy to praise You, Beloved One,  
For abundance, for cups brim filled:  
How can we not delight in Your majesty,  
Your endless blessings to us.

How simple our thanks, Beloved One,  
For laden tables, for gathered families,  
Shoulders touching in the intimacy of the meal  
You have spread before us.

Teach us to thank and bless Your name,  
When cups are empty, and thirst is great:  
Put our hands together to replenish,  
Finding blessing in tiny sips.

Beloved One, to thank and bless You,  
We find hope in uncertainty  
And triumph in shaky steps,  
We recreate abundance for Your sake.

**Prayer**

*Assembly* Throughout all generations we will render thanks unto You.  
And declare Your praise,  
Evening, morning, and noon,  
For our lives which are in Your care,  
For our souls which are in Your keeping  
For your miracles which we witness daily,  
And for your wondrous deeds and blessings toward us at all times.  
We give thanks. Amen.

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 100

Liz McGowen  
*Divine Mercy Parish*

- 1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; \*  
serve the LORD with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The LORD himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the LORD is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

**Meditation**

Rev. Katrese Kirk McKenzie  
*St. Paul AME*

**Musical Response**

Cantor Julie Staple  
*Am Shalom*

“V’ahavta L’rayacha Kamocho”

*Written by  
Rabbi Noam Katz*

*(Love Your Neighbor as Yourself)*

*Leviticus 19:18*

V'ahavta l'rayacha kamocho.  
Find yourself, bind yourself, give yourself to love.  
Heal yourself, seal yourself, give yourself with love.

V'ahavta l'rayacha kamocho.  
You shall love your neighbor as yourself,  
with all your soul and all your might.  
And you shall live each day as if it's the last one left,  
to undo what's wrong and make it right.

**Litany of Thanksgiving**

Rev. Erin Laska  
*Glencoe Union Church*

Rev. Scott Himel  
*North Shore United Methodist Church*

*Scott* Let us give thanks to our good and gracious God for all those gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Erin* For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of God.

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Scott* For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends.

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Erin* For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve.

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Scott* For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play.

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Erin* For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Scott* For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Erin* For those who worship and praise you, in all times and places.

*Assembly* We thank you, Lord.

*Scott* Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us by you, our Lord and God.

*Assembly* To you be thanksgiving, praise, and glory, now and forever. Amen.

**Invitation to the Offering**

Rev. Dr. Barbara Javore  
*North Shore United Methodist Church*

**Offertory Music**

“Come, ye thankful people, come”  
*(Instrumental)*

*arr. Dillon Shipman*  
*St. Elisabeth's Church*

*During this instrumental musical offering,  
you are invited to reflect on the text of this beloved harvest-time hymn.*

Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin.  
God our Maker doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest home.



**Response to the Offering**

Cantor Julie Staple,  
Liz McGowen,  
Rev. Katrese Kirk McKenzie

“You Who Bless”

*Written by Jan Richardson*

*Julie*            You who are yourselves a blessing  
                         who know that to feed the hungry  
                         is to bless

                         And to give drink to those who thirst  
                         is to bless

*Liz*                Who know the blessing in welcoming the stranger

                         And giving clothes to those who have none

                         Who know to care for the sick is blessing

                         And blessing to visit the prisoner

*Katrese*           May the blessing you have offered  
                         Now turn itself toward you

                         To welcome and to embrace you  
                         At the feast of the blessed.

*Please stand as able.*

## Closing Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 No. 719

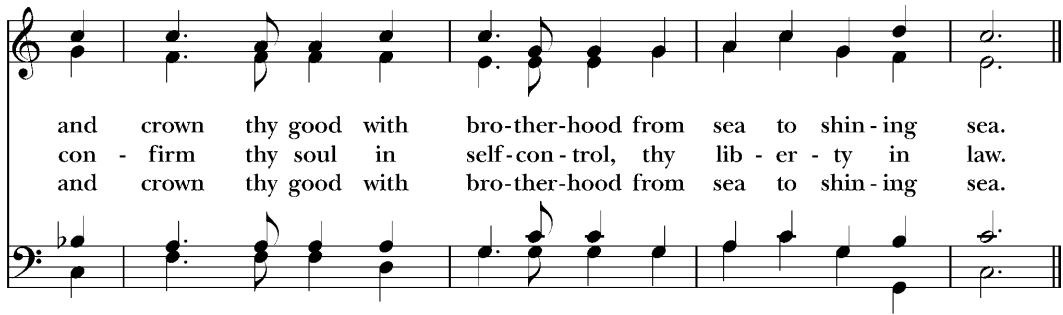
“America the Beautiful”

*Materna*

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,  
 2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,  
 3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!  
 who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!  
 thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,



and crown thy good with brother-hood from sea to shin - ing sea.  
con - firm thy soul in self-con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.  
and crown thy good with brother-hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

**Benediction**

The Rev. Adam Spencer

**Postlude**

The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago  
The Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen, *Assisting Bishop*  
The Rev. Paula Clark, *Bishop-Elect*

**Saint Elisabeth's Episcopal Church**

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