

UNITED EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
East Avenue and Dillon St. Baltimore, Md.  
The Rev. W. Scott Hengen III - Pastor  
Mr. Robert Gundlach Director of Music  
November 26, 1981

THANKSGIVING 10:00 a.m.

Silence and Meditation - Pew Prayers

Prelude: "How Thank We All Our God" Bach

\*Processional: "We Gather Together"

*We gather together to ask the Lord's  
blessing,*

*He chastens and hastens His will to make  
known;*

*The wicked oppressing now cease from  
distressing.*

*Sing praises to His name, He forgets  
not His own.*

*Beside us to guide us, our God with us  
joining*

*Ordaining, maintaing His kingdom divine,  
So from the beginning the fight we  
were winning;*

*Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory  
be Thine.*

*We all do extol Thee, thou leader  
triumphant,*

*And pray that Thou still our defender  
wilt be.*

*Let Thy congregation escape tribulation.  
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord,  
make us free!*

\*Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: *We have come to this place today to  
express our thankfulness.*

People: *Let us rejoice, give thanks, and  
praise God for this joyful opportunity.*

Pastor: *Let us worship God the Father, God  
the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.*

People: *Indeed, let us worship in spirit and  
in truth with our whole lives.*

Hymn of Thanksgiving

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Confession of Sins and Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: *Luke 18:9-14 (p.79)*

People: *We join together now in humility con-  
scious of both our individual and our corpor-  
ate sinfulness. We confess to injuring each  
other here and elsewhere by envy, jealousy  
and hate. In this process we have weakened  
our own souls. Hear us, O Lord, as we recog-  
nize that our confession implies both repen-  
tance and a determination to do better in the  
future. Grant us now your loving forgiveness  
and in the future your kind assistance.*

*(Silent prayers of personal confession.)*

Pastor: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

People Sing: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Pastor: *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

People Sing: *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Pastor: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

People Sing: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Pastor: *In spite of our sinfulness, one fact  
remains unchanged; that fact is the forgiving  
love God has had for us in the past and has  
for us right now. That good news brings each  
of us to a new life through Jesus Christ, our  
Lord.*

Amen

Praise Versicle (No. 517)

Pastor: *O Lord, open our lips.*

People Sing: *And our mouths shall show forth  
Thy praise.*

Hymn of Praise

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Choral Reading

Children's Choir Anthem: "Bless This House"

Collect and The Holy Scriptures:

Old Testament: Leviticus 25:1-12 (p.110)

Epistle: Revelation 11:15-19 (p.242)

\*Gospel: Matthew 12:1-8 (p. 17)

Sermon: "Celebrating Our Unique Heritage"

\*Statement of Faith

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings and  
Collection of Attendance Cards

Offertory: "Great God Of Nations" - Senior  
Choir

\*Dedication of Tithes and Special Offerings

Special Music: - Senior Choir -

"We Gather Together" - Mr. Willoughby  
Myrick, Jr. - Soloist

Thanksgiving Litany:

Pastor: For the life which you have given to  
us, O Lord.

People: We thank you for creating us.

Pastor: For the food which sustains us.

People: We thank you Lord, for the meals  
which we eat.

Pastor: For the homes in which we live.

People: We are grateful for them, Lord.

Pastor: In time of sickness Lord.

People: We rejoice that our health is  
restored.

Pastor: When we are lacking faith and  
confidence.

People: Thank you, Lord, for supporting us  
and giving us affirmation.

Pastor: For each person here today.

People: We thank you Lord, for who they are.

Pastor: For the opportunity we have in know-  
ing one another.

People: Accept our praises, Lord.

Pastor: Because our lives have been enriched  
by being members of this congregation.

People: We thank you, O God, for this and  
your many other blessings.

All: We are grateful Lord for the concern you  
have shown us. Amen

The Lord's Prayer and Prayer Response

\*Benediction

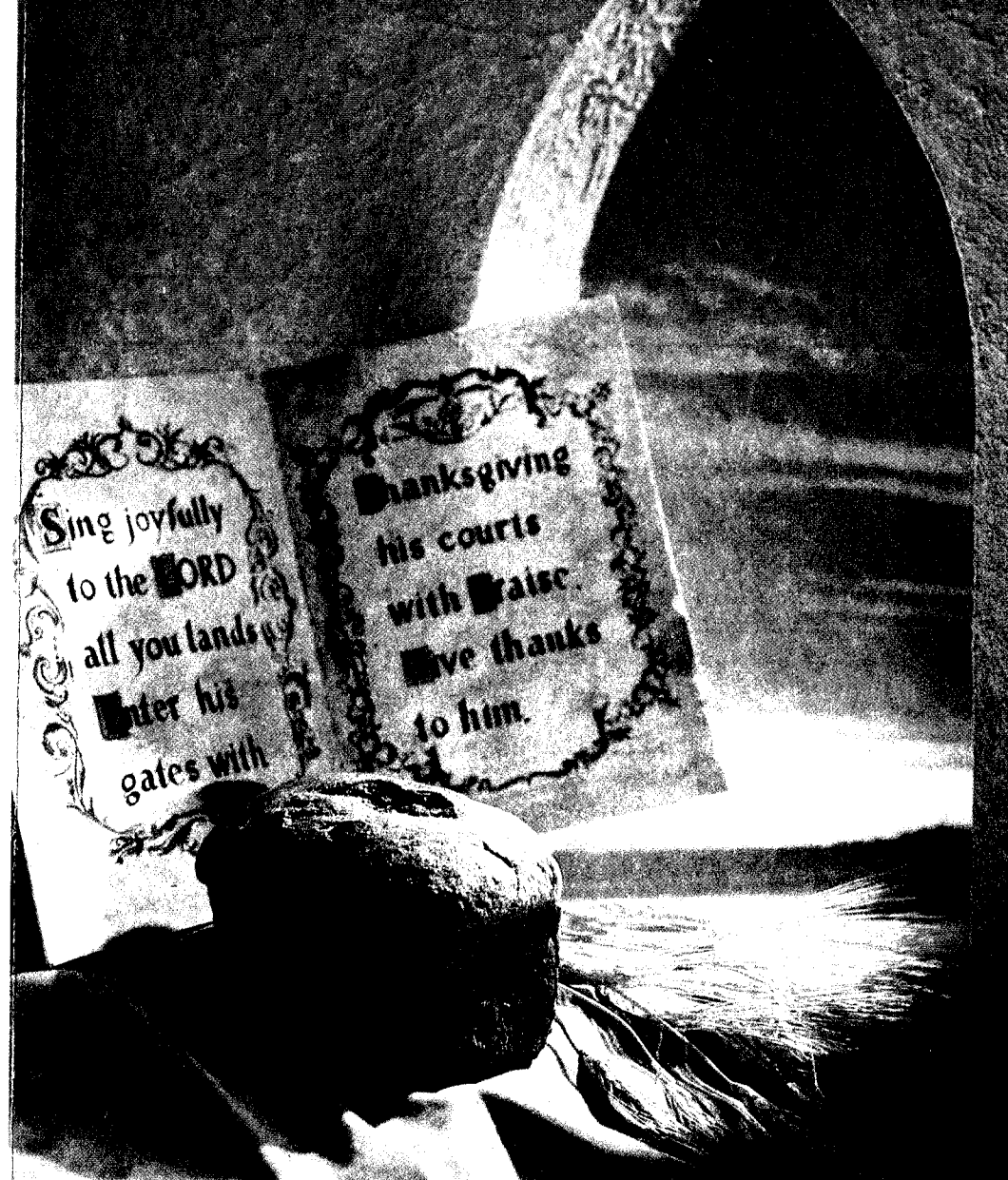
\*Recessional Hymn

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Silence and Meditation

Postlude: "Now Thank We All Our God"

\*Congregation Standing



Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth.