

Sunday Worship Music

October 15, 2023

Introit

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Jacques Berthier, 1986

*In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.*

Hymn 712

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought text by Frank von Christierson, 1960
English folk melody

*As those of old their firstfruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield,
so we today our firstfruits bring, the wealth of this good land:
of farm and market, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.*

*A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give,
to make our life an offering that all may truly live.
The church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true;
a world redeemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.*

*In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,
to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way.
O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son,
help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.*

Anthem

What Shall I Render?

Text from Psalm 116:12-19
arr. Allen Pote

*What shall I render to my God for all the good things the Lord has done for me?
What shall I render to my God for all the good things the Lord has done?
I will lift up the voice of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.*

*What shall I render to my God for all the good things the Lord has done for me?
I will offer my song of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.*

*Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.
O Lord, I am your servant, I am your servant, the child of your handmaid.
You have loosed my bonds and set me free, I am your servant.*

*What shall I render to my God for all the good things the Lord has done for me?
I will offer my song of thanksgiving, and I will call on the name,
call on the name of the Lord, in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!*

Children's Anthem

All God's Creatures Got a Place in the Choir

Bill Staines

Stewardship Hymn

*Each Christian Has a Calling
(See reverse side, verses 1 and 3)*

David Gambrell, 2020

Each Christian Has a Calling

Text and tune:
David Gambrell



1) Each Chris - tian has a call - ing to serve in Je - sus' name: a
2) Some show the life of Je - sus by help - ing those in need: with
3) Some seek the truth of Je - sus and serve as trust - ed guides: they
4) Some teach the way of Je - sus by shar - ing sa - cred signs: the
5) We join with all the faith - ful of ev - ery time and place: all

refrain



mis - sion from the Spir - it, a pur - pose in God's reign.
acts of great com - pass - ion, with lov - ing words and deeds.
mea - sure, lead, and nur - ture, they or - der and pro - vide. To -
sto - ries of the scrip - tures, the wa - ter, bread, and wine.
ser - vants of the gos - pel, all min - is - ters of grace.



ge - ther as Christ's bo - dy, we work and sing and pray with



thanks and praise to Je - sus: the life, the truth, the way.

Hymn 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending text by Robert Edwards, 1961
music from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

*God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.*

*Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.*

*Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred:
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.*