

**Thursday after November 21**  
**THANKSGIVING DAY**  
*(Within the Postfestive period of the Entrance)*

*melody: Pod tvoj pokrov/We Hasten to Your Patronage*  
*text: Matthias Claudius, 1782; tr. J. M. Campbell, 1861*

**Hymn**



1. We plow the fields and scat - ter the good seed on the land,  
2. He on - ly is the Mak - er of all things near and far;  
3. We thank You then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good,



But it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand;  
He paints the way-side flow - er, He lights the ev'n - ing star.  
The seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food:



He sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,  
The winds and waves o - bey Him, by Him, the birds are fed;  
No gifts have we to of - fer for all Your love im - parts,



The breez - es and the sun - shine, the soft, re - fresh - ing rain.  
Much more to us, His chil - dren, He gives our dai - ly bread.  
But that which You de - sire of us— our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

*Refrain*

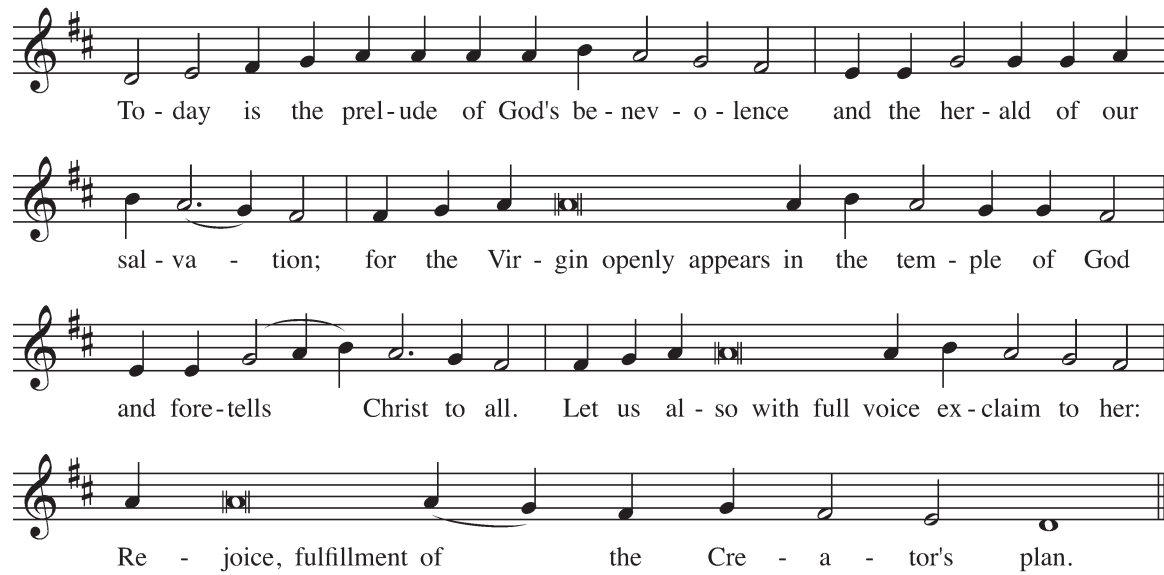


For all good gifts a - round us are sent from heav'n a - bove;



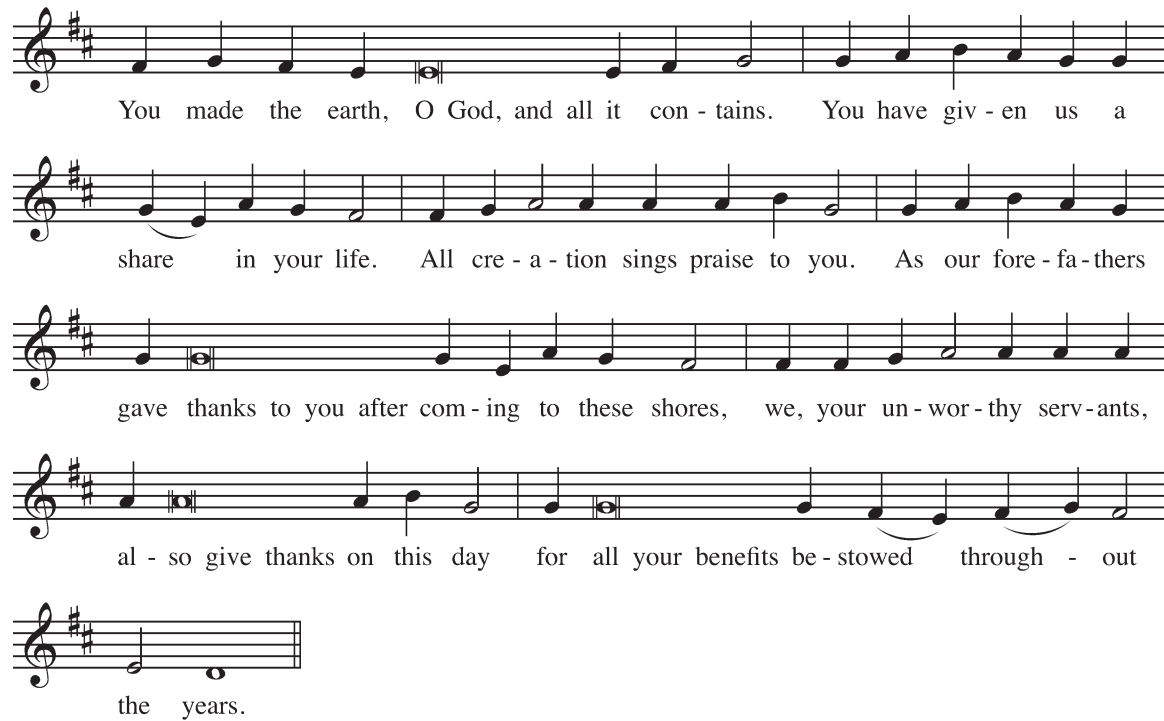
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all His grace and love.

**Troparion of the Entrance - Tone 4**

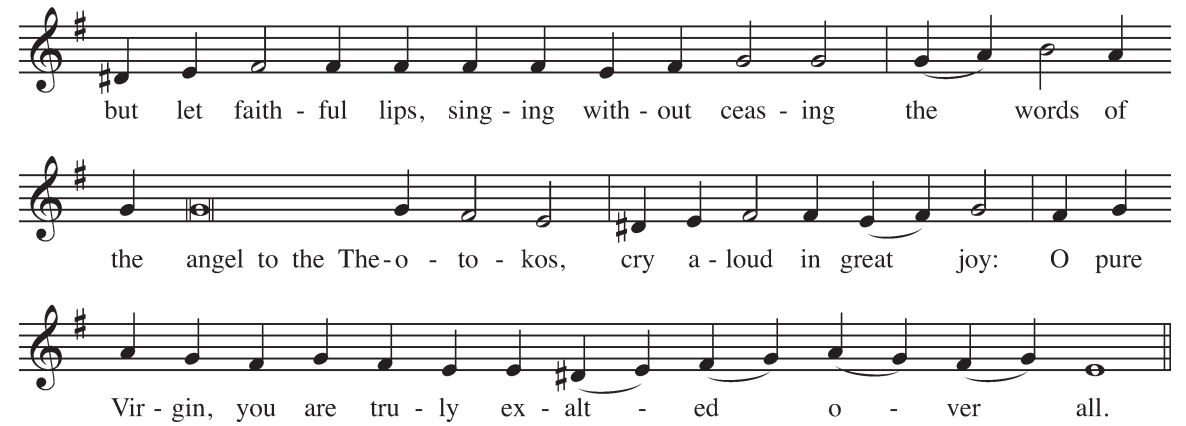


To - day is the pre - ude of God's be - nev - o - lence and the her - ald of our  
 sal - va - tion; for the Vir - gin openly appears in the tem - ple of God  
 and fore - tells Christ to all. Let us al - so with full voice ex - claim to her:  
 Re - joice, fulfillment of the Cre - a - tor's plan.

**Troparion of Thanksgiving - Tone 7**



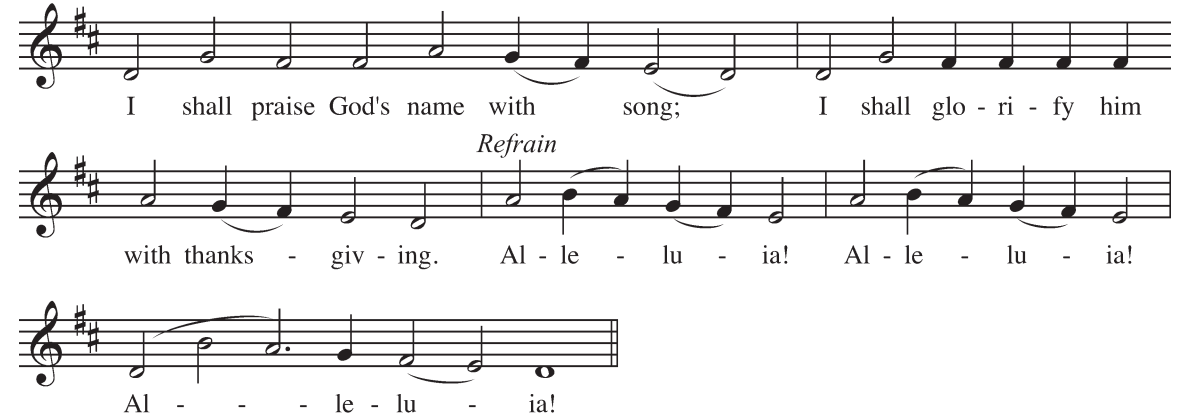
You made the earth, O God, and all it con - tains. You have giv - en us a  
 share in your life. All cre - a - tion sings praise to you. As our fore - fa - thers  
 gave thanks to you after com - ing to these shores, we, your un - wor - thy serv - ants,  
 al - so give thanks on this day for all your benefits be - stowed through - out  
 the years.



but let faith - ful lips, sing - ing with - out ceas - ing the words of  
 the angel to the The - o - to - kos, cry a - loud in great joy: O pure  
 Vir - gin, you are tru - ly ex - alt - ed o - ver all.

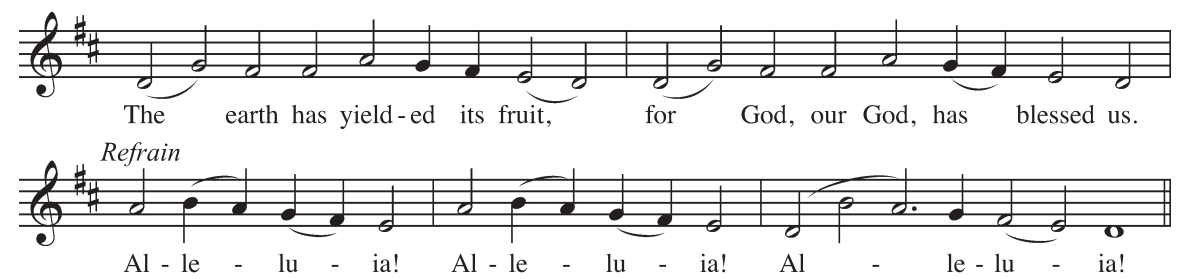
**Communion Hymns:**

*The First Hymn is (Psalm 68:31):*



I shall praise God's name with song; I shall glo - ri - fy him  
*Refrain*  
 with thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - - - le - lu - ia!

*The Second Hymn is (Psalm 66:7):*



The earth has yield - ed its fruit, for God, our God, has blessed us.  
*Refrain*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - - - le - lu - ia.

**Anamnesis Acclamation**

We praise you, we bless, you, we thank you, thank you, O

Lord, and we pray to you, our God, and we pray to you, our God,

and we pray to you, our God.

*Instead of "It is truly proper..."*

**Magnification:**

The an - gels were struck with a-maze - ment, be-hold - ing the en-trance

of the Most Pure; see - ing how the Vir - gin en - tered in - to the

Ho - ly of Ho - lies.

**Irmos:**

*Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting*

Let no un - in - i - ti - at - ed hand touch the liv - ing Ark of God;

*Cantor*

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

Spir - - - it.

**Kontakion of Thanksgiving - Tone 3**

To - day, O faith - ful, sing to God your thanks - giv - ing hymns; learn - ing

Scrip - ture's com - mand to give thanks with heart as well as lips, and to seal

heart and lips with bless - ed deeds. Let A - mer - i - ca play her thankful part

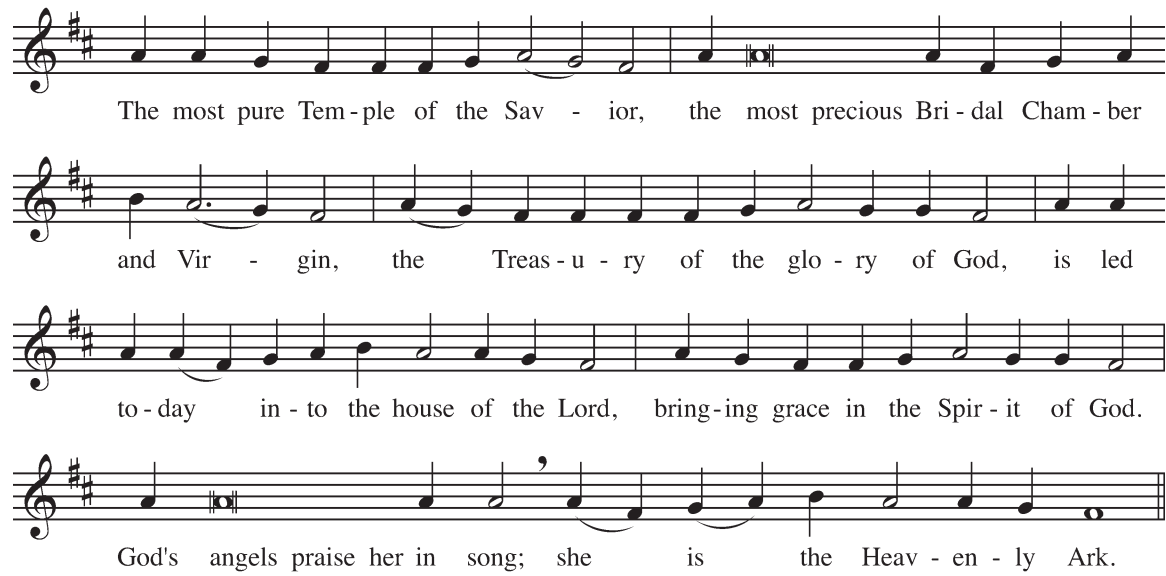
a - mong the na - tions, giv - ing praise to our sav - ing Lord, the ben - e - fac - tor

of our souls.

*Cantor*

Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

**Kontakion of the Entrance - Tone 4:**



The most pure Tem-ple of the Sav - ior, the most precious Bri - dal Cham - ber  
 and Vir - gin, the Treas - u - ry of the glo - ry of God, is led  
 to - day in - to the house of the Lord, bring - ing grace in the Spir - it of God.  
 God's angels praise her in song; she is the Heav - en - ly Ark.

**Prokeimenon of Thanksgiving - Tone 2 (Psalm 115:8,3):**

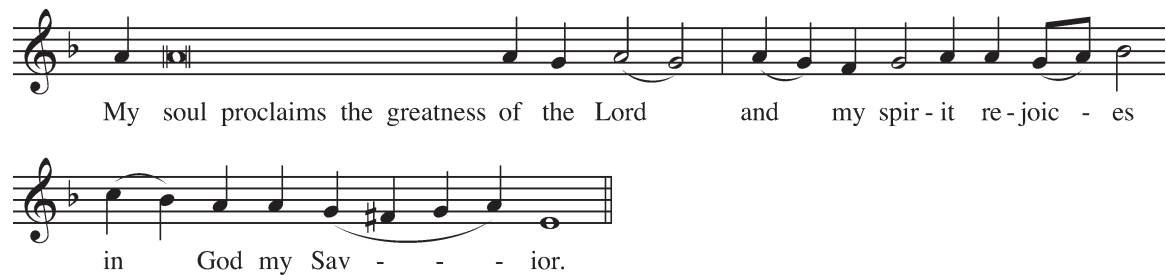


A thanks - giving sacri - fice I make; I shall call on the Lord's name,  
 I shall call on the Lord's name.

*Verse:* What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

*Immediately after the verse:*

**Prokeimenon of the Entrance - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):**



My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spir - it re - joic - es  
 in God my Sav - - - ior.

**Alleluia of Thanksgiving - Tone 5 (Psalm 117:21,28):**



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - ia!

*Verse:* I shall thank you for you have answered and you are my Savior.

*Verse:* You are my God, I thank you; my God, I praise you.

*After the second verse:*

**Alleluia of the Entrance - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13):**

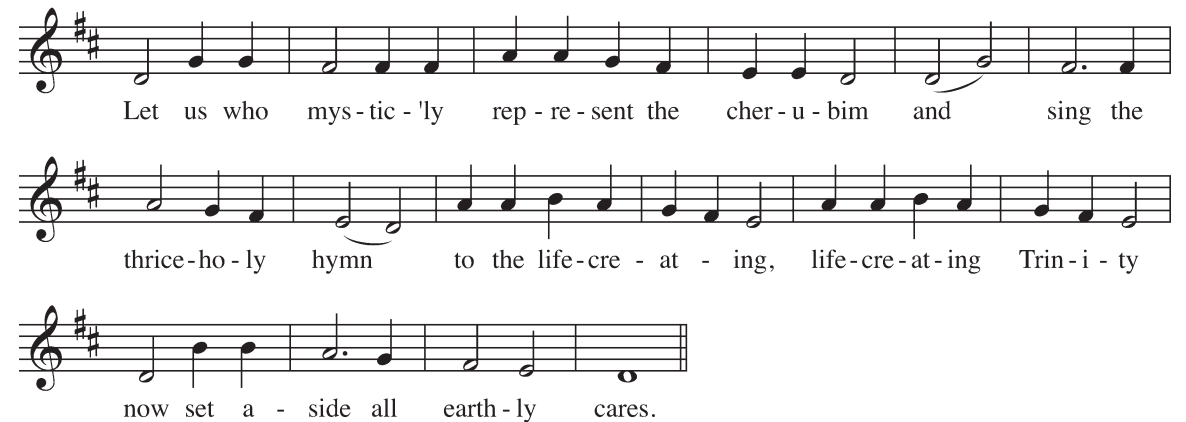


Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia! Al - - - le - lu - ia!

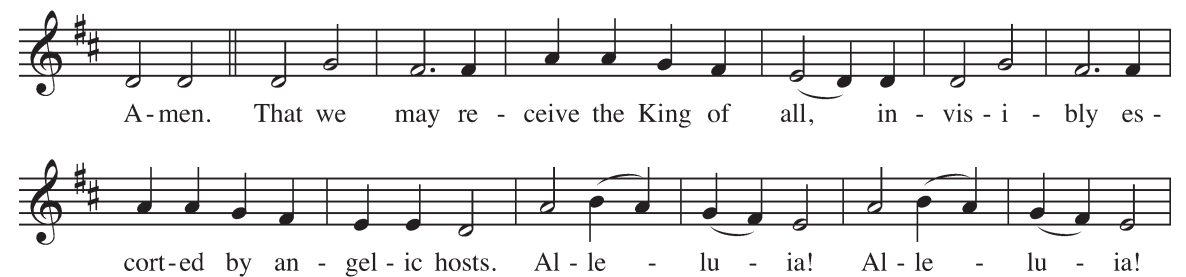
*Verse:* Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.

**Cherubic Hymn**

*based on "O, kto, kto"*



Let us who mys - tic - 'ly rep - re - sent the cher - u - bim and sing the  
 thrice - ho - ly hymn to the life - cre - at - ing, life - cre - at - ing Trin - i - ty  
 now set a - side all earth - ly cares.



A - men. That we may re - ceive the King of all, in - vis - i - bly es -  
 cort - ed by an - gel - ic hosts. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!