# JAY GOULD MEMORIAL REFORMED CHURCH November 30, 2025 ONLINE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## We are Gathered by God

Prelude: "How Can I Keep from Singing?", arr. Larry Shackley,

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Introit: "Enter His Gates With Thanksgiving", Lloyd Larson,

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Call to Worship...... Rev. Richard Dykstra, Minister

Hymn: "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Prayer of Invocation

Our Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord, forgive us for the times that we have taken Your wonderful blessings for granted. Forgive us also when we have failed to understand that Your blessings are meant to be passed on and shared as a witness to Your mercy and grace. Forgive us, Lord, and make of us blessings in the world today so that all may know that You are truly the Lord God.... (Silent prayer). In Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon & Summary of the Law

Gloria Patri

Hymn: "We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessing"

#### We Hear God in Word

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Philippians 4:4-9...... Andi Cammer, Reader

Anthem: "Look at the World", John Rutter, © 1996 Oxford University Press, this edition exclusively licensed by Oxford University Press to Hinshaw Music, Inc., P.O. Box 470, Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514

Sermon: "Thankful Day by Day"

#### We Respond to God

Offertory: "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies", Victor C. Johnson,

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Prayer of Dedication and Doxology

Litany of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God our Creator for all the blessings we share this day. For all of those who have gone before, people strong and brave, willing to put their lives on the line for the causes they believe in, we give you thanks.

## Grant us, Our God, the courage to step out in faith for that which is true and right.

For freedom of speech and of the press, the avenues open to expressing ourselves, for opportunities to effect change, we give you thanks.

### We pray for those who are voiceless victims of unjust governments.

For fertile soil, abundant rain, and seasons of refreshment, we give you thanks.

### We pray for those whose land is parched and whose wells are dry.

For our families, friends, and the church, who provide us with food and drink for our journey, we give you thanks.

We pray for those who are hungry and tired, hopeless and wandering, finding no place to rest.

For strong bodies and minds, for opportunities that encourage us to grow and become more the servants of thanksgiving you call us to be, we give you thanks.

We pray for the sick, as well as for the stagnant who are unwilling to dream or change.

Help us, O God, to be responsible stewards of your blessings, people who care for the earth and all its people. Keep us connected with all humanity, even though miles and cultures tend to separate us.

May we always respond to your call with a true spirit of thanksgiving. Amen.

Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God"

Benediction

Choral Response: "Look at the World" (Reprise)

Postlude: "With Grateful Heart I Thank You, Lord", Mary Kay Beall, arr. John Carter,

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