



Thanksgiving Eve
Interfaith Worship

November 22, 2017

Prelude

Welcome and a Calling Together

Leader: Times are tough. We live in a world that is divided and under threat.

People: May we increasingly learn to love each other.

Leader: Out of fear, we may even want to retreat from the world.

People: May we increasingly learn to allow others to love us.

Leader: When all is said and done, this is still God's world.

People: May we increasingly learn to live in gratitude.

*Hymn *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

*Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mother's arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

*O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
And keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.*

Thoughts on: Being Thankful in This America

*The Thanksgiving Medley

*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.*

*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies
For the love which from our birth, over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*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.*

*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!*

*Closing Remarks and Benediction

Please remain following the service for moments of fellowship and refreshment.