# Chanksgiving Day 2021

The members of the Christian Science Church in San Juan Capistrano are grateful that you are able to spend this Thanksgiving morning with us. Our purpose is to promote spiritual growth, love and healing, based on the teachings of Christian Science found in the Bible and Mary Baker Eddy's writings.

MUSICAL PRELUDE: Candi Daggett, keyboard

WELCOME

SONG: "My Grateful Spirit Sings"

sung by Lola Kristine and Christopher Wolf

words and music: Sally DeFord

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: "Let All Things Now Living" (New Hymnal #520)

words: Katherine K. Davis, alt., adapt.

music: Welsh melody, Jones's The Bardic Museum, 1802; harm. CSPS

Let all things now living A song of thanksgiving

To God the Creator triumphantly raise, Who fashioned and made us.

Protected and stayed us,

By guiding us forward throughout all our

days.

God's angels are o'er us, Pure light goes before us,

A pillar of fire shining forth in the night:

Till shadows have vanished, All fearfulness banished,

As forward we travel from light into Light.

By law God enforces, The stars in their courses

And sun in its orbit, obediently shine;

The hills and the mountains, The rivers and fountains,

The depths of the ocean proclaim God

divine.

We, too, should be voicing Our love and rejoicing

With glad adoration, a song let us raise:

Let all things now living Unite in thanksgiving,

To God in the highest, hosanna and

praise.

#### THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

**SCRIPTURAL SELECTION:** Matthew (*The Passion Translation*)

SONG: "Thank You Father"

sung by Sarah Combs with Candi words: R. G. Allen, music: Bob Moline

## SILENT PRAYER & "The Lord's Prayer"

With its spiritual interpretation from the Christian Science Textbook, (see website)

**CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** "Our God is Love, unchanging Love" (Hymnal #269) words: Frederic W. Root, music: Franz Joseph Haydn

Our God is Love, unchanging Love,

And can we ask for more?

Our prayer for Love's increase is vain;

'Twas infinite before.

Ask not the Lord with breath of praise

For more than we accept; The open fount is free to all,

God's promises are kept.

Our God is Mind, the perfect Mind,

Intelligence divine;

Shall mortal man ask Him to change

His infinite design?

The heart that yearns for righteousness,

With longing unalloyed,

In such desire sends up a prayer

That ne'er returneth void.

O loving Father, well we know That words alone are vain, That those who seek Thy will to do, The true communion gain. Then may our deeds our pure desire For growth in grace express, That we may know how Love divine Forever waits to bless.

#### **BIBLE LESSON: "THANKSGIVING"**

From our Pastor, *The Bible* and *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy. Read by Carl Symons and Denise Cupp

SONG: "Thankful"

sung by Richard Bermudez with Candi

words: Richard Page and Carole Bayer Sager, music: David Foster

#### **TESTIMONIES**

All are invited to join in expressing their thanks to God.

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: "We Thank Thee and We Bless Thee" (Hymnal #374) words: John Randall Dunn, music: Henry Stephen Cutler

We thank Thee and we bless Thee,

O Father of us all,

That e'en before we ask Thee

Thou hear'st Thy children's call.

We praise Thee for Thy goodness And tender, constant care, We thank Thee, Father-Mother

That Thou hast heard our prayer.

We thank Thee and we bless Thee,

O Lord of all above,
That now Thy children know Thee

As everlasting Love.

And Love is not the author
Of discord, pain and fear;
O Love divine, we thank Thee
That good alone is here.

We thank Thee, Father-Mother, for blessings, light and grace Which bid mankind to waken and see Thee face to face.

We thank Thee, when in anguish, we turn from sense to Soul, That we may hear Thee calling: Rejoice, for thou art whole.

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#### THE SCIENTIFIC STATEMENT OF BEING

(see website)

THE CORRELATIVE SCRIPTURE: 1 JOHN 3:1-3 (*The Passion Translation*) Look with wonder at the depth of the Father's marvelous love that he has lavished on us! He has called us and made us his very own beloved children. The reason the world doesn't recognize who we are is that they didn't recognize him. Beloved, we are God's children right now; however, it is not yet apparent what we will become. But we do know that when it is finally made visible, we will be just like him, for we will see him as he truly is. And all who focus their hope on him will always be purifying themselves, just as he is pure.

#### **CLOSING BLESSING**

CLOSING SONG: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" sung by Lola and Christopher with Candi words: The Bible (Numbers), music: John Rutter

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE:** Candi

Thank you for joining us this morning. Feel free to stay after the service to visit.

You are always welcome!

Sunday Church Services and Sunday School are held at 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Testimony Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m.

Attend Sundays and Wednesdays in person, by phone or by internet/Zoom

To join us by via phone, smartphone, tablet or computer...

BY PHONE call 720-707-2699, then enter access code: 493 154 5979#

## BY INTERNET/ZOOM—Computer (Mac/PC), Smartphone & Tablet:

- 1. By web browser <a href="https://zoom.us/j/4931545979">https://zoom.us/j/4931545979</a>
- 2. By Zoom app via smartphone or tablet. Meeting ID: 493 154 5979

For more details on how to connect, please click on the link below: www.csinsanjuancapistrano.com/welcome.html

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## Announcements – Thursday, November 25, 2021 This Church:

<u>December 1 @ 7:30PM</u>: Wednesday Testimony Meeting. Attend in person, by telephone or by internet/Zoom.

November 25 @ 10AM: Thanksgiving service. We celebrate Thanksgiving with a special service. There is a short Bible lesson read, followed by an opportunity for all to share their gratitude for God's infinite blessings. Attend in person, by telephone or by internet/Zoom.

<u>Sundays and Wednesdays</u>: Sunday morning church services and Wednesday evening testimony meetings are held in our church building and on Zoom.

<u>Tithing info</u>: This Christian Science Church tithes 10% of our collection each month to a specific local, national, or global organizations whose mission we support. Our **November** tithing recipient is **CREER**, a local organization. The angel ladies who founded CREER work for families in South Orange County. In the next three months CREER says it is vital that they continue their food distribution efforts to help families close the gap between hunger and their next meal. They are thrilled that the Christian Science Church in SJC has once again chosen to support them during the Holiday Season. They are currently organizing a clothing drive for the CREER Diaper Program. We plan to assist in their efforts both with prayer and contributions.

## Talks, etc. in Orange County:

Stay tuned...

## Talks, etc. elsewhere:

Stay tuned...

## **Youth and Family Events:**

Stay tuned...