THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Trinity - Smiths Mill          St. John's - Alma City
November 21, 2018         November 22, 2018

OPENING HYMN:  # 613 -  Come, You Thankful People, Come

OPENING SERVICE
P: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
C: For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
P: You have turned my mourning into dancing; You have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
C: So that my soul may praise You and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever.
All: Let us praise the Lord!

PRAYER

CHOIR...............Now Thank We All Our God (Trinity)
....................A Canon of Thanks (St. John’s)

FIRST LESSON - Philippians 4:10-20

PSALM OF THE DAY - Psalm 100 (page 104)

GOSPEL LESSON - Luke 17:11-19

HYMN  # 260 - Let All Things Now Living

SERMON - Deuteronomy 8:10-18
DON'T FORGET THE LORD...
1. He blesses us with prosperity
2. He delivers us through every trial
3. He keeps his promises

CONFESION OF FAITH (Luther’s explanation of the 1st Article)
I believe that God made me and all that exists, and that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.

And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, cattle and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life. God also preserves me by defending me against all danger, guarding and protecting me from all evil.

All this God does only because he is my good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.

OFFERINGS

THANKSGIVING PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN  # 611 - For The Fruit of His Creation

PRAYER and BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN # 615 – We Thank You for Your Blessings
(Trinity)

HYMN  # 610 - Now Thank We All Our God (St. John)

Thank-you to the choirs of Trinity and St. John’s for their songs of thanks in our services today. Thanks also to our organists David Bilitz and LeAnn Marzinske

Please note that both churches will decorate after our services this Sunday. A potluck meal will follow; please bring a dish to share.

If you ordered a wreath from MVL, you can pick yours up in the entryway.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!
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