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Welcome to Burlington Baptist Church today!

WE APPROACH GOD

Once more we celebrate the harvest,
bringing our gifts, singing our hymns,
and expressing our gratitude to our Creator.
Lord of the Harvest, give us one more gift, we pray:
help us remember this celebration throughout the year,
that every day might echo with thanksgiving,
and all our living might witness to your generosity and grace.
Amen.

Prelude “Prayer of Thanksgiving” (Old Dutch Melody; arr. William Stickles)
Linda

Welcome and Announcements Dave

Prayer and Preparation

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship

* **Hymn of Praise** “Morning Has Broken” 664 - GG

1. *Morning has broken like the first morning;
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*
2. *Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.*
3. *Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation; praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!*

Prayer of Approach

Responsive Reading “Affirmation of Thankfulness”

LEADER: This day we affirm the faith of thankful spirits;

PEOPLE: **We are grateful to you, O God,
and would be found more grateful still.**

LEADER: For life and its mystery;

PEOPLE: **Our earth journeying in space,
and our own journeying
from birth to death, and beyond.**

LEADER: For the turning seasons of the year and this
season of harvest;

PEOPLE: **crisp sunshine and trees aflame,
tangy fruit on tree and vine,
tables laden with turkey, gravy, vegetables and pies,
shining faces ready to feast!**

LEADER: For the fullness of gathered family;

PEOPLE: **delight of children and banter of teens,
rock music and worn jeans,
steadying parents and loving partners,
staying power through laughter and tears.**

LEADER: For the inheritance of faith;

PEOPLE: **the word of God and the story of Jesus,
the holy passion of prophets and pastors,
the hope that cannot be extinguished,
the love that will not let us go.**

LEADER: For the holiness of beauty;
in music and colour, in dance and design.

PEOPLE: **For quiet and solitude;
the privilege of the shut door,
the companionship of a good book,
walking in the light of the moon.**

LEADER: For useful work and the privilege of play;

PEOPLE: and for all else that we name in our hearts.

LEADER: Let all God's people give thanks!

ALL: THANK YOU, LORD! AMEN!

A Gift of Song “Every Day Is A Gift from the Lord” Malcolm
(Don Besig and Nancy Price)

WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

Prayers of the People of God

The Offering “Thanksgiving Medley” Barbara
(Daniel Kramlich, Christine Anderson)

* Offertory Prayer “Lord of All Good” (verse 1) 711 - GG

*Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
use them your holy purpose to fulfill,
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
that our whole life is offered to your will. Amen.*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures Marjorie

Hebrew Lesson: Deuteronomy 26: 1 - 11

Epistle Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5: 12 - 24

Sermon: “Reap, Remember, and Give Thanks”

GOD SENDS US FORTH

* Hymn of Response “For the Fruit of All Creation” 36 - GG

*1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.*

2. *In the just reward of labour, God's will be done.
In the help we give our neighbour, God's will be done.
In our world-wide task of caring,
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will be done.*

3. *For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.*

Benediction

Postlude

“Thankful” (David Foster, Carole Bayer Sager, Richard Page)

Allison