

Responsive Reading – Thanksgiving Eve 2011

Leader: Gracious God, you supply us with blessings beyond our deserving.

We thank you for your creation, and every sign of your presence within it, for your everlasting grace and forgiveness, for the risen Lord who has gone before us and calls us to follow Him.

People: Accept our thanks, O God.

Leader: For our homes and our loved ones, for work to do and strength to do it, for moments of gladness that sparkle our day,

People: Accept our thanks, O God.

Leader: For our faith and all that sustains it, for all whose lives and examples have persuaded us that the journey is worth the taking, for your caring discipline that keeps our faith pure,

People: Accept our thanks, O God.

Leader: For those times when your plans are not our plans, where your answer to our prayers is not the answer we desire, for those times where your leading follows us into places we never expected to go.

People: Accept our thanks, O God.

Leader: For the depths of the sea where our sin and falseness lies buried, for the guiding comfort of your Holy Spirit, for the powerful promise of life everlasting,

People: Accept our thanks, O God,

Leader: For yours is the glory forever and ever. Amen.



“I will praise the name
of God with a song;
I will magnify him
with thanksgiving.”

Psalm 69:30, NRSV

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Thanksgiving Eve Service - 7:00 p.m.

Combined Worship Service
with the
Deep Run Mennonite Churches

Order of Worship

Pre-service Music	Allan Shelly
Call to Worship	Wes Cosand
Songs of Thanksgiving	Combined Worship Team
<i>I Sing the Mighty Power of God</i>	HWB #46
<i>This is My Father's World</i>	HWB #154
<i>Indescribable</i>	
Dramatic Message	Rodger Schmell—Abraham Brent Camilleri—Moses Ken Burkholder—Jesus
Song of Response	
<i>Blessed Be Your Name</i>	
Offering	<i>Offering to Mennonite Central Committee</i>
Offertory	Allan Shelly

Table Sharing "*No Testimonies*"

Responsive Reading

Ken Burkholder

Sending Song *Amazing Love*



Guests! We are glad to have you here for worship today. We trust that you will encounter God's presence, as you worship with us. Please join us for warm and cold cider, coffee, pretzels and doughnuts served during and after the service so that we can fellowship together as we offer praise and thanksgiving to God! Please know you are welcome to worship with us again!

Greeters this evening: DRE—Lee & Connie Crouthamel
DRW—Howard & Lisa Stenger

Our offering for the Thanksgiving Eve Service this year will go to Mennonite Central Committee. MCC shares God's love and compassion for all *in the name of Christ* by responding to basic human needs and working for peace and justice. With workers and financial commitments in 65 countries around the world, MCC addresses basic human needs such as water, food and shelter and works alongside churches and communities in a variety of efforts to build peace.