

Seedlings 🌱: Little Lamb who made thee... Dost thou know who made thee ?"



## "Little Lamb who made thee..."

*The Georgia Boy Choir singing "The Lamb" by Kim André Arnesen.  
This performance was recorded on May 29, 2024, during the Norway  
international concert tour at Nidaros Cathedral,  
in Trondheim, Norway.*

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## The Lamb

By [William Blake](#)

*Little Lamb who made thee  
Dost thou know who made thee  
Gave thee life & bid thee feed.  
By the stream & o'er the mead;  
Gave thee clothing of delight,  
Softest clothing wooly bright;  
Gave thee such a tender voice,  
Making all the vales rejoice!  
Little Lamb who made thee  
Dost thou know who made thee*

*Little Lamb I'll tell thee,  
Little Lamb I'll tell thee!  
He is called by thy name,  
For he calls himself a Lamb:*

*He is meek & he is mild,  
He became a little child:  
I a child & thou a lamb,  
We are called by his name.  
Little Lamb God bless thee.  
Little Lamb God bless thee.*

Source: The Complete Poetry and Prose of William Blake, edited by David E. Erdman  
(Anchor Books,





**A Liturgy of the Word  
celebrating the Sacrament of Holy  
Baptism  
with Prayers of Thanksgiving  
tomorrow morning at 10:15 a.m.**



*Be with us to say "thank you"  
in-person or via the streaming link  
[HERE](#) .*



# For your Thanksgiving Day table:

For the expanding grandeur of creation, worlds known and unknown, galaxies beyond galaxies, filling us with awe and challenging our imaginations:

**We give thanks this day.**

For this fragile planet earth, its times and tides, its sunsets and seasons:

**We give thanks this day.**

For the joy of human life, its wonders and surprises, its hopes and achievements:

**We give thanks this day.**

For our human community, our common past and future hope, our oneness transcending all separation, our capacity to work for peace and justice in the midst of hostility and oppression:

**We give thanks this day.**

For high hopes and noble causes, for faith without fanaticism, for understanding of views not shared:

**We give thanks this day.**

For all who have labored and suffered for a fairer world, who have lived so that others might live in dignity and freedom:

**We give thanks this day.**

For human liberty and sacred rites; for opportunities to change and grow, to affirm and choose:

**We give thanks this day.**

We pray that we may live not by our fears but by our hopes, not by our words but by our deeds.

**We give thanks this day.**

*---by O. Eugene Pickett*

## Thank you to the bake sailors!



*Pre-Holiday Bake Sale on Christ the King Sunday, November 24th*

**If the only prayer you say in your whole life is “thank you,” that would suffice.**

— Meister Eckhart

“An attitude of gratitude,” we sometimes hear, will help us on our path. There certainly are enough things for us to worry about, grieve over, and complain about. They have their place. But as we mature and no longer use addictive escapes, we learn that joy can exist side by side with grief. Gratitude is a tonic for our self-pity. Saying “thank you” actually opens us to receive more of life’s blessings, which sit there waiting for us to notice.

In a pleasant moment we can look around and say, “Aren’t we lucky!” That’s a kind of prayer, and it connects us with our Higher Power. No matter how painful or worrisome a day may be, we can be thankful for our growth. Gratitude is so simple we sometimes dismiss it while looking for a more complicated answer in our lives. We can say “thank you” for all the simple things, like trees, cool air, food to eat, and love between people. It is a risk to be so grateful. Who will be in control? Perhaps God.

God, thank you for all that comes to me without my efforts.

Quoted from the app Touchstones.

Find recovery resources at [www.hazeldenbettyford.org](http://www.hazeldenbettyford.org) .



**In Memoriam...**



Betty Ann Bagel



Bettye Jean Harden



"HIS EYE IS  
ON THE  
SPARROW"  
ISN'T THAT  
A SONG?



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YEAH --  
THAT LINE  
CAME FROM A  
WOMAN\* WHO WAS  
CHRONICALLY ILL.



IT SEEMS TO ME  
THAT WE'RE OFTEN  
MOST AWARE OF GOD'S  
CARE WHEN WE'RE  
MOST VULNERABLE.



\*MRS. DOOLITTLE VIA CIVILLA MARTIN



I WAS HOPING  
IT WOULDN'T  
COME TO THAT.



MATTHEW 6:24-34



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*"No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.*

*"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive*

*first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. “So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.*

*Holiday Concerts  
December 6th, 8th and 14th*



***A limited number of complimentary tickets are available from Pastor Dennis upon request for all three live performances at the following locations:***

***Fourth Presbyterian in Chicago,  
Sts. Peter and Paul, Riverside,  
and Pilgrim Congregational in Oak Park.***

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**Please note:**

For urgent pastoral care and *important* administrative matters,  
please contact Pastor Dennis at his mobile phone number.  
The landline at the parsonage is no longer in service.☒  
If you need this contact information, please reply to this message.

*Photos: Emil Galdun (bake sale), Daryle Lauritsen (the vale) and Eliot Pontius (autumn tree)*

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***For waters break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water...  
(Isaiah 35:6b-7a).***

**Join us every Sunday at 10:15 a.m.**



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liturgy  
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