GRACE UNITED CHURCH
Thanksgiving Sunday
October 11, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Terry Hidichuk
Presider: Nancy Moon
Music Director: Don Salfarlie

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude: Come Ye Thankful People Come

Welcome, Announcements & Traditional Land Acknowledgment — **Nancy Moon**

Call to Worship — **Nancy Moon**

Welcome, Family of God!
God has visited the earth and watered it.
God has provided the people with grain and crowned the year with overflowing bounty.
The earth has yielded its increase, God; our God has blessed us!
Let us give thanks and praise to God!
(Anne Mathewson, St. David's Trinity U.C., Saskatoon, Sask.)

Lighting the Christ Candle — **Nancy Moon**

One: We seek God's presence in our lives today.
All: We seek God's spirit moment by moment in worship.
One: As we journey in faith, we strive to move forward in faith.
All: We will never turn back, except to give thanks.
One: And so, we welcome the guiding light of Christ.
(Elaine Bidgood Sveet, Zion Lutheran Church, Minot, N.D.)

Opening Prayer — **Nancy Moon**

One: O God, we come before you
All: To give thanks
One: For the wonders of your Creation:
All: To give thanks
One: For the reassuring touch of loved ones;
All: To give thanks
One: For the tantalizing aroma of home cooking;
All: To give thanks
One: For the joyous sound of children laughing;
All: To give thanks
One: For your presence in the shadowed times;
All: We who are so blessed come in gratitude to offer our communal prayer for the limitlessness of your love that fills us with the very breath of life.
One: Gracious God, we give our thanks. Amen
(Barbara Jones, Queenswood U.C., Orleans, Ont.)

Praise and Worship 1: Led by the Choir
Now Thank We All Our God — **Voices United #236**

Children's Moment: Stone Soup — **Catherine Marlin**
Song: Know That God is Good — **MV #104 (2x)**
Led by Kay Bingham

Children leave for Sunday School

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading: Luke 17: 11-17 NIV — **Job Amankwah-Nkansah**
One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
All: Thanks be to God!

Choir Anthem: God and God Alone — **Phil McHugh**

Sermon: And Jesus Saved Him — **Rev. Dr. Terry Hidichuk**

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Offering Invitation: — **Presider**
Come gather up our gifts. With joy, let us offer to our Creator a thanksgiving portion for all we have received.

Offertory/Special Music Solo: Maria Stevens
Pie Jesu — **Jay Althouse & Marcy Pyrtle**

Offering Response: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow — **VU #541**

Offertory Prayer — **Nancy Moon**
As we give from our hearts, let these offerings be blessed.
Praise and thanks be to God. *Jani Francis, St. Andrew's U.C., Indian Head, Sask.)*

Prayers of the People — **Kay Bingham**

Praise and Worship 2: Led by the Choir
We Praise You O God — **Voices United #218**

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning and Benediction — **Rev. Dr. Terry Hidichuk**

Choral Blessing: Go Now in Peace — **D. Besig & N. Price**

Postlude: He's Everything to Me — **Ralph Carmichael**