We give You thanks, 
O Mighty and Gracious Lord, 
for all of our gifts and blessings 
seen and unseen.

LET US LIFT UP OUR HEARTS TO THE LORD 
Whatever you do in word or deed, 
do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, 
giving thanks to God the Father through Him. 
Colossians 3:17

Psalm 110

1. I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart 
in the assembly of the upright and the holy.

2. Great are the works of the Lord. 
His works are splendor and majesty, 
and His goodness lasts for ever.

1. The Lord is kind and compassionate. 
He gives food to those who fear Him. 
Steadfastness and justice are His works.

2. He has sent deliverance to His people. 
Holy is His name, and much to be loved.

All: Blessing, honor and glory be Yours, 
here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.

Scripture: 
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. 
Thank God in everything 
no matter what the circumstances may be, 
be grateful and give thanks, 
for this is the will of God for you 
who are in Christ Jesus.
Blessing
May the eyes of our hearts be open to all the blessings which surround us; may this awareness produce a harvest of generosity in our spirit.

Response: Blessed be God forever.

May thankfulness rise up within us, not just during this short season, but day after day, from the early morning watch until we retire for the night.

Response: Blessed be God forever.

May our prayers reflect gratitude, while also acknowledging the needs of others whose situations are so drastically different.

Response: Blessed be God forever.

May thoughts of Jesus fill our minds, and hunger for God drive our souls, and love for the Lord guide our speech and our actions. Response: Blessed be God forever.

And may the grace, peace, and love of the Triune God, protect, defend, and empower us to run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Response: Amen.

Prayer
Our Father in Heaven,
we give thanks for the pleasure of gathering together for this occasion.
We give thanks for the food prepared by loving hands.
We give thanks for life, the freedom to enjoy it all and all other gifts and blessings.
As we partake of this food, we pray for health and strength to carry on and try to live as You would have us.
We remember too, our dear departed family members and those who cannot join us today.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Who first showed us how to live, love and give thanks. Amen.

O Lord Who lends me life, lend me a heart replete with thankfulness!
William Shakespeare

Live Jesus in our hearts. Forever!