



**Thanksgiving Sunday**  
**November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021**  
***"Smells Like Thanksgiving"***

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Centering for Worship**

Psalm 100

**Invitation to Worship**

Thom Shuman

Give thanks to God!

***ALL: We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind.***

Give thanks to God at all times and for everything!

***ALL: We thank God, when we can and as we can, for struggles, for solitude, for fears.***

Give thanks to God at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

***ALL: We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain, our losses as well as our laughter, are in God's heart and hands.***

**Prayer**

Joanna Harader

***ALL: Holy, Creating, Creative God, we sing from the depths of our sorrow. We sing from the abundance of our joy. We sing in voices separate and unique. We sing with one voice as your body. May the words of our mouths, whether in speech or song, and the meditations of our hearts, whether in prose or poetry, be pleasing in your sight. Amen.***

**Invitation to Generous Gifts**

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

**Reminder of Generous Giving Opportunities**

**Doxology**

**Prayer Dedication**

Gracious God, You call us to let go of the things we cling to and step out in faith, trusting in Your love and provision.

***ALL: Give us courage to step out boldly, to plant our small seeds generously, and without fear. Use our gifts to accomplish more than we could possibly imagine, so that, through us, Your kingdom might come and Your will be done. Amen.***

**Joys and Concerns: Prayers of the People: Lord's Prayer**

**Song**

**Prayer for Scripture**

John Birch

**Luke 17:11-19**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

**Reading**

Maya Angelou

**Meditation**

**Affirming Our Mission**

***ALL: We the members and friends of Plainfield Congregational Church United Church of Christ seek to embody and celebrate God's love by being a community that lives Christ's compassion and promotes justice, healing and wholeness of life; a joyous family where all are welcome to join together to grow in faith and love.***

**Blessing**

Rev Gord

As our time our worship concludes, our time of service begins. We return to our living and working amidst a world of need. As you go from this place, carry with you the knowledge that you are recipients of God's gifts.

***ALL: As we go, we vow to share those gifts with the world around us. And may God walk with each of us as we travel life's road. Amen.***

**Chimes**