



# Unwrapping the

# *Gifts*

## Thanksgiving Day Litany and Grace

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food at the proper time;

**You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

For the gift of this day and the opportunity to give You praise:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

For the love and warmth of family and friends, both those gathered here and those gathered elsewhere, and most of all for those gathered to the Eternal Home:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

For the good gift of children and grandchildren to nurture in Your love and fear; for the blessing of hearth and home:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

For the joyful noise of infants cooing and children at play and for the honor of serving them, knowing they are beloved by You:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

For the food You so graciously provide us and for the joy of feasting and playing together:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

For the sufferings You are pleased to send us, for they purify us from selfishness and remind us of the one thing needful, Your eternal kingdom:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

And finally for those things for which we are most thankful: the sweet comfort of Your Gospel, the forgiveness of all our sins by the blood of our Lord Jesus, the promise of our resurrection to eternal life; for the joyful companionship afforded by the Church; for Your Word that is a lamp to our feet and light to our path; for the gifts of Baptism and the Eucharist; for our pastors and everyone who faithfully serve to us Your best and highest gifts:

**Glory to You, O Lord!**

*All sing together:*

**Now thank we all our God  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done,  
In whom His world rejoices.  
Who from our mother's arms  
Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love  
And still is ours today.**