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## **NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD**

**Hymn: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (TLH 134, LW 88)**

**Bible Text:** "Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD." (Psalm 150 NIV)

Thanksgiving is my greatest privilege!

With each breath of each new day I am thankful to my heavenly Father for all His blessings. He gives me restful sleep; and protection from all harm and danger. He forgives me my many sins. Thanksgiving brings joy to my Christian life.

God in His mercy has promised to be with me and guide me. He has loved me from all eternity.

In 1 Peter 5:7 He tells me, "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."

Each day is filled with many challenges and fears. God is there beside me. I am thankful for His love, His grace and His mercy. Often at times of great stress and sorrow we think there is little or nothing for which to be thankful. Yet even at such times God is there with me – without His love and presence these times would be unbearable. To be certain He is always with me as a calming influence for my life. To have His promise to be always with me also means that at the end of my life He will be there, to receive me into His heavenly home.

How I thank God for His abundant blessings !

**Let us pray:** My gracious heavenly Father, I thank and praise You for all the blessings You have allowed to come into my life; for making me Your child through Holy Baptism; and for Your guidance in my day-to-day living. I pray for Your continued blessing on all I do. Satan



tries hard to distract me from Your Word and from your path. Keep me ever close to you through Word and Sacrament. I pray for Your continued blessing on all I do. In Jesus' precious name, because You have asked me to pray and promised to hear me. Amen.

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| 1. The early morning sunrise<br>That greets my blinking eyes<br>Bears witness of Your mercy<br>Each day as I arise.        | 3. Last night You kept me safely,<br>By angel hosts surrounded.<br>You granted restful hours<br>And gracious sleep abounded. |
| 2. May I now use this day<br>To serve You with my life;<br>May words I say and deeds I do<br>Save others from some strife. | 4. And may I tell the message<br>How Jesus lived and died,<br>And show to other seekers<br>How love and peace abide.         |

**Hymn: Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices (LW 448, TLH 30)**

