

We Offer God Our Gifts

P: Good and gracious God, you are the giver of all good gifts.

C: We praise you and give you thanks!

P: You created our world, the earth and sea and sky, and all that is in them.

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P: You created us, and you give us life. You provide food and shelter, work and leisure, family and friends, the community of faith. Out of your abundance, you have given each of us time, talents, and treasure to use.

C: We praise you and give you thanks!

P: Your grace and love for us through Jesus is deep and wide and steadfast. We have not earned it. We cannot repay it.

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P: Generous God, we give back to you with thanksgiving the first fruits of what you have given us. We recognize that the world and its resources are not ours, but yours, that you have entrusted to us. Help us to be good stewards, good managers, of these gifts.

C: We offer these gifts for your work in our world.

P: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.

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P: God of love and grace, you invite us to let you use what's in our hands for your purposes. May these gifts of time, skills and abilities, and financial pledges be extensions of our lives lived to serve you in this community and world, through ministry in our daily lives and the ministry of Peace Lutheran Church. Shine your light through our lives to bring light to the world. Keep us committed to work for your kingdom—for justice, peace, healing, and wholeness for all your creation, in the name of the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: We offer these gifts for your work in our world. Amen.