



WORSHIP RESOURCES

LITANY OF THANKSGIVING FOR CAMPUS MINISTRY

(adapted from Chris Heavner)

One: Ground and Source of all goodness, we give you thanks for the life of the church on campuses, especially this day in Mankato and Winona.

(a brief moment of silence)

One: You bring children into our lives and you bless us with their laughter. In thankfulness for their presence, we offer our prayers to you.

All: We thank you, O Lord.

One: God of knowledge and God of wisdom, you invite us to explore your world and to discover your secrets. For minds and hearts and hands with which to discover and learn, we offer our prayers to you.

All: We thank you, O Lord.

One: On this Campus Ministry Sunday, we offer our prayers to you for the members of this community who are enrolled at institutions of higher education. We send them forth into the world with our love and the assurance of our continued prayers.

All: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

One: It is our prayer that these students will flourish in their studies, grow in their self-confidence and be strengthened in their faith journey. We pray that they mature into the persons you would have them to be.

All: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

One: We pray for those who are left behind—for families and friends, for teachers and mentors. In gratitude for all they have given, we offer our prayers.

All: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

One: Trusting in your mercy and dependent upon your grace, we offer these prayers to You, the One who welcomes all and whose love never fails. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray,

God of grace and glory, you have created all people in your image and call us to love one another. We praise your name for your servants in Crossroads Campus Ministry and the Lutheran Campus Center, who make known the good news of Christ Jesus on the campuses in Mankato and Winona. Sustain them with your grace so that they might continue to share your love in all they say and do. In your holy and precious name we pray, **Amen.**

SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament:

*Genesis 12: 1-9

*Deuteronomy 6: 1-9

*Jeremiah 18: 1-6

New Testament:

*2 Timothy 1: 1-7, 14

*Philippians 1: 3-11

Gospels:

*Mark 1: 16-20

*Luke 13: 10-17

SUGGESTED HYMNS

Gathering

ELW 526 "God Is Here!"

ELW 641 "All Are Welcome"

Hymn of the Day

ELW 808 "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

ELW 583 "Take My Life, That I May Be"

ELW 798 "Will You Come and Follow Me" (also known as "The Summons")

ELW 768 "Lead Me, Guide Me"

Offering

ELW 793 "Be Thou My Vision"

ELW 807 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

ELW 809 "Send Me, Lord"

Communion

ELW 496 "One Bread, One Body"

ELW 770 "Give Me Jesus"

Sending

ELW 536 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

ELW 731 "Earth and All Stars"

ELW 763 "My Life Flows On in Endless Song"