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Proclamation of the President of the United States,
Recommending a General Thanksgiving, on November 26th, 1863.**

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A NATIONAL HYMN,

IN RESPONSE TO THE PROCLAMATION

OF

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

RECOMMENDING A GENERAL THANKSGIVING,

ON NOVEMBER 26, 1863.

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Give Thanks, all ye People.

With spirit.

1. Give thanks, all ye peo - ple, give thanks to the LORD,

Al - le - lu - ias of free - dom, with joy - ful ac - cord;

Let the East and the West, North and South roll a - long,

Sea, moun - tain and prai - rie, One thanks - giv - ing Song.

CHORUS.

Give thanks, all ye peo - ple, give thanks to the LORD,

sf Al - le - lu - ias of free - dom, with joy - ful ac - cord.

Give Thanks, all ye People.

1. Give thanks, all ye people, give thanks to the Lord,
Alleluias of freedom, with joyful accord:
Let the East and the West, North and South roll along,
Sea, mountain and prairie, One thanksgiving song.

Chorus after each verse.

Give thanks, all ye people, give thanks to the Lord,
Alleluias of freedom, with joyful accord.

2. For the sunshine and rainfall, enriching again
Our acres in myriads, with treasures of grain;
For the Earth still unloading her manifold wealth,
For the Skies beaming vigor, the Winds breathing health:
Give thanks—
3. For the Nation's wide table, o'erflowingly spread,
Where the many have feasted, and all have been fed,
With no bondage, their God-given rights to enthral,
But Liberty guarded by Justice for all:
Give thanks—
4. In the realms of the Anvil, the Loom, and the Plow,
Whose the mines and the fields, to Him gratefully bow:
His the flocks and the herds, sing ye hill-sides and vales;
On His Ocean domains chant His Name with the gales.
Give thanks—
5. Of commerce and traffic, ye princes, behold
Your riches from Him Whose the silver and gold,
Happier children of Labor, true lords of the soil,
Bless the Great Master-Workman, who blesseth your toil.
Give thanks—
6. Brave men of our forces, Life-guard of our coasts,
To your Leader be loyal, Jehovah of Hosts:
Glow the Stripes and the Stars aye with victory bright,
Reflecting His glory,—He crowneth the Right.
Give thanks—
7. Nor shall ye through our borders, ye stricken of heart,
Only wailing your dead, in the joy have no part:
God's solace be yours, and for you there shall flow
All that honor and sympathy's gifts can bestow.
Give thanks—
8. The Domes of Messiah—there, ye worshipping throngs,
Solemn litanies mingle with jubilant songs;
The Ruler of Nations beseeching to spare,
And our Empire still keep the Elect of His care.
Give thanks—
9. Our guilt and transgressions remember no more;
Peace, Lord! Righteous Peace, of Thy gift we implore;
And the Banner of Union, restored by Thy Hand,
Be the Banner of Freedom o'er All in the Land.
And the Banner of Union, &c.
Give thanks—

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THE foregoing hymn and music are offered as a contribution to the observance of the approaching Thanksgiving Day. In cases where they prove serviceable, should any feel pleased to acknowledge them in charity, they can do so by mailing whatever they deem an equivalent, to ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL, New-York; where it will be used for the relief of discharged and disabled soldiers, and their sick wives and children, including those of men yet in the service. Nothing is solicited, but any thing will be gratefully accepted and faithfully applied to a class of sufferers eminently deserving of consideration on an occasion of National Gratitude.

Respectfully,

W. A. MUHLENBERG,

Pastor and Superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital.

NEW-YORK, *November 9th*, 1863.

N. B.—Those who may desire the words of the Hymn in quantities can either have them printed, or obtain them, together with the music, by addressing THOMAS WHITTAKER, care of Rev. Dr. DYER, No. 3 Bible-House, New-York.