

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: *The Lord be with you.*

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give God thanks and
praise*

It is right to give thanks to you, God of all time and our time. We are grateful for the ways you have been revealed to us in the past: through the memories of life that have shaped us into who we are today: for retreats and camps and quiet walks in the woods of Camp Beckwith; through the love of community: for learning, laughing and living in God's front yard; through your creation and the beauty each season brings; for the water of Weeks Bay, giant oak trees, and starry nights above the dock; and through a shared hope for the consolation and redemption of the world through our Lord Jesus Christ. Confident of your love, we bring our whole selves into your presence: our achievements and our failures, our proud moments and our hidden shame, our undying dreams and our steadfast resolve. At this table of grace and goodness, we meet you through a sacred communion with all of creation. And so, we join together with the angels, archangels and all the company of heaven to sing: