A Thanksgiving Litany

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Speaker: O God of seed and harvest, the meal before us is a sight to behold and we are grateful.


Speaker: This turkey has given up life so that we might have life.

Response: WE ARE MINDFUL OF THE SACRIFICE - THE EXCHANGE OF DEATH FOR LIFE - ASSOCIATED WITH OUR BEING FED AND NOURISHED.

Speaker: From egg to chick to bird to food, countless human hands have brought this turkey to our table.

Response: WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE FARMERS, THE POULTRY PLANT WORKERS, THE SHIPPERS AND MARKETPLACE WORKERS, AND THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED PREPARE THIS MEAL.

Speaker: We are sorry and repent for any suffering, abuse or exploitation that workers feel as the result of their labor on our behalf.

Response: WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO EAT THIS MEAL IN PEACE, AND RISE FROM THIS TABLE TO WORK FOR JUSTICE AND HARMONY ON THE EARTH AND AMONG THE PEOPLE OF EARTH.

ALL: TASTE AND SEE HOW GOOD GOD IS!