

Holy Communion Liturgy

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.

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

ALL: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE GOD THANKS AND PRAISE.

One: It is right to give you thanks and praise, O God, for you are the creator of us all. You made us for relationship with you and with each other.

ALL: WE CELEBRATE YOUR CREATION.

One: You created Adam and Eve and gave them a garden; You showed Noah a rainbow; You gave strength to Moses to free his people, and taught Miriam to sing; You gave courage to Esther and loyalty to Ruth; You helped David become a ruler and gave him a harp to sing with.

ALL: WE PRAISE YOU GOD.

One: And yet they turned from you and fled your outstretched arms, as we do too. But you did not turn away. You sent your child Jesus to live among us, sharing our fear and helplessness, and waiting with us amidst the uncertainty.

ALL: WE THANK YOU GOD.

One: As one of us he came, first a tender infant, dependent on his parents' care. He learned the ways of his ancestors and became an adult. He rejoiced with those who rejoiced and wept with those who wept. To the despairing, he spoke a word of hope. To the sick, he gave healing. To the rejected, he was a friend. And yet, he was betrayed and nailed to a cross. And he died. But God, you raised him to life again and changed the world forever. Therefore, we join all creation in praising you forever, saying:

**ALL: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD, GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT,
HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.**

**HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES
IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.**

HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

One: On the night before Jesus died, he had a supper with his disciples. He took bread, thanked you, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, saying:

"Take, eat; this is my body, given for you. Each time you do this, remember me."

After supper, he took the cup, thanked you for it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

"Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Each time you do this, remember me."

We do remember Christ Jesus, our Savior, and we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

ALL: CHRIST HAS DIED.

CHRIST IS RISEN.

CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN.

One: God of love, send your Holy Spirit upon us and what we do here that we, and these gifts, touched by your Spirit, may be signs of life and love to each other, and to all the world.

**ALL: THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, AND IN CHRIST, IN THE
UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, ALL GLORY IS YOURS, GOD MOST
HOLY, NOW AND FOREVER.**

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

BREAKING OF THE BREAD / LIFTING UP OF THE CUP

Invitation: Everyone who believes in Jesus the Christ and accepts the forgiveness of sins in his name, is welcome at this table.

Prayer after Communion (in unison):

Eternal God, we thank you that you have called your people from east and west,

and north and south, to feast at the table of Jesus Christ.

Keep us faithful to your will.

Go with us to the streets, to our homes, and to our places of labor and leisure —

that whether we are gathered or scattered, we may be the beloved children of God, through our Brother and Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.