

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION LITURGY

March 2, 2025

(The congregation please respond with the **bold** type)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator, and ruler of the universe.

You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, You bless us and transform our hearts into Your likeness.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the celestial choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

(Sung by congregation)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power; God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.

In Christ Jesus, you drew near to us for our salvation, teaching us to live by the light of Your truth into fullness of life in Your Kingdom.

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising as we await the day of his coming. With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:

(Sung by congregation)

Christ has died, Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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PRAYER

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, so that the bread we break and the cup we bless may truly be for us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Strengthen us in holiness, faithfulness, joy, and love, so that we may be ready at the coming of the Lord.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The blessing of the Bread and Cup with the words of Jesus.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Partake together with the church.

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, keep us devoted and alert for the hour of Christ's coming. Empower us to live honorably as Your children in truth and light. Strengthen our faith until we eat and drink with You in the Kingdom You are preparing for Your people.