



A Service for Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

L: Our Lord Jesus' invitation to his Table of grace is extended to all — *without condition*. Open your hands to receive his gift of love given for you. Open your hearts to experience his gift of life shed for you.

Silence

L: We come to this table in need.

C: **We are weak and need your strength.**

We are broken and need your healing.

We are weary and need your rest.

We are hungry and need your food that will nourish.

L: Lord Jesus, we give you thanks for your compassion.

We rejoice at your invitation to share in this meal with you and our brothers and sisters to receive again your abundant grace.

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Words of Institution

L: This meal is *a living proclamation* to the entire world of God's justice —

Where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor
Where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them

Where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect

Where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love

And we will keep celebrating this meal as *a living proclamation* until Jesus returns again — and makes it so. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

L: Now let us pray the prayer our Lord Jesus Christ has taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

As you share the bread and wine/grape juice with one another, you may say:

L: The body of Christ, given for you.

L: The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Post-Communion Blessing

P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**