

ACCLAMATION

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we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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THE GREAT AMEN

Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions
of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty God and Father, now and forever. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray with our Saviour as he has taught us:
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

FRACTION

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.
The cup we take is a sharing in the blood of Christ.
The gifts of God for the people of God.

LAMB OF GOD

Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.

Offering/Offertory Prayer

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

God of surprises, Saviour and Friend, we bless you for this world
which is like a banquet of good things.

For the abundance of nature:
the minerals and trees, the vineyards and orchards, the cornfields
and market gardens. For the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and the animals of plains, hills, rainforest and desert.
**We pray that we may look after this abundance more carefully, and
share earth's prosperity more fairly among the communities of this
world.**

We thank you for the abundance of people:
Asian and South American, Indian and British, Chinese and Australian
Aborigine, Arab and Scandinavian, African and Polynesian, European
and Latin American, Greek and Melanesian.
**We pray that we may be set free from all prejudice, fear,
exploitation or hatred of one another. That each may be respected,
treasured, given equal opportunities and cared for in their hour of
need.**

We thank you for the unique abundance of the grace of Jesus:
for his compassion and mental toughness, his vision and teachings,
his healing and his forgiving, his laughter and his tears, his dying and
his rising.
**We pray for all who love Christ, all who preach him, teach him,
write about him, celebrate him, and all who this day are suffering in
his cause.**

We thank you for the abundance of the church; active in many lands
and set in many cultures; with varying customs and rituals;
serving in different ways, but cleaving to the one Lord and Saviour.
**We pray for the many arms of your church,
in its strength and weakness, its glory and its shame:
let us follow the Christ who called us and gave us the Good News.**

God of surprises, we pray that our thanksgiving may lead us into a better stewardship of all these - your gifts to humanity.

Please enlarge our faith, toughen our courage, enlighten our ambitions, forgive our errors, enliven our worship and every day deepen our love for your world.

Through Christ Jesus our Saviour. Amen

HYMN 436: *Lord, keep us steadfast in your word*

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

(The people exchange a sign of peace)

COMMUNION

INVITATION

Christ invites to his table all who confess him as Lord, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING

It is right to give you thanks and praise, for you alone are the true and living God. In the beginning your Spirit swept across the face of the waters, bringing order and beauty out of chaos.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

Through the waters of the Red Sea you delivered us from suffering and oppression; at the foot of your sacred mountain you called us to truth and holiness; in the words of your holy prophets you called us to justice and compassion; through the lives of your blessed saints and martyrs you taught us wisdom and faithfulness.

Though we turned away from you, your love remained steadfast.

In the fullness of time you sent your only Son Jesus Christ to be the Saviour of the world. By water and the Spirit you open the kingdom to all who believe, and welcome us to your table:

for by grace we are saved, through faith.

And so we praise you with the faithful of every time and place, joining with choirs of angels and the whole creation in the eternal hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS (*sung: TIS 756*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and 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.

ANAMNESIS

We thank and praise you for keeping your promise to the people of old and sending your Son Jesus Christ, whose life, death, and resurrection for our salvation we remember as he comes to us in this holy meal.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

EPICLESIS

By your word and Spirit, bless and sanctify these gifts that by receiving them we participate in the body and blood of Christ and that he may ever live in us and we in him.

Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION [*Holy God, we praise you that*]

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said: Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way he took the cup, after the supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

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