

HOLY COMMUNION

The GREAT THANKSGIVING

We proclaim with those in every age and tongue:

There is one God.

And we affirm our faith in the one mediator between God and humanity.

Jesus Christ, God made human.

Jesus gave himself and all he was on our behalf.

Halleluia! Thanks be to God!

Thanks be to the Lord Jesus, our friend, who came to us, to be one of us, to show us the way, and to reveal all truth.

Thank you, Jesus, that your heart and your desire is for everyone to be saved, rescued, released, and come to the truth.

Out of love for us, you sent Jesus to walk with us. He is your Word, your living presence in the world. He taught us to love one another and to extend this love to all creation.

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

Creation and heaven are filled with your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is Jesus, who comes in your name.

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And so, Jesus gathered for a last meal with his friends and promised them his eternal presence. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD

Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.