



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

*An open invitation to communion is practiced within
Presbyterian Church (USA) congregations.*

*We invite all visitors and friends who trust in Jesus Christ
to join us today in being nourished at the Lord's Table.*

INVITATION #505 *The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing* THE FEAST IS READY

Sisters, brothers, all of us kin in Christ:

This is God's table, spread with a feast that is for you.

Christ has broken down every barrier that stands between you and this table.

You are whole enough.

You are healed enough,

You are faithful enough to come to this table,

to break the bread and drink the cup.

You need not be wise,

You need not be perfect,

You need not be decent or orderly to join the feast, to be fed, to be welcomed.

For we have been made new,

We have been reconciled,

We have been called and entrusted,

And all this comes from Christ, our host,

Who invites us to share in the feast.

THANKS & PRAISE

Holy, holy, holy Lord—we praise you for your love:
bringing order out of chaos, breathing life into dust,
leading captives into freedom, calling wandering children home,
giving bread to the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty,
raising the dead to life.

#592 Sanctus VASILE *Holy, holy, holy, God of power and God of might!
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!*

*Blessed, blessed, blessed is one who comes in the name of God.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!*

REMEMBERING & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Thank you, Lord—we thank you for Jesus:
Word made flesh, light of the world, living water,
shepherd and gate, way and truth, bread of heaven,
cup of salvation, resurrection and life.

Take this bread and cup, O God—a feast of grace;
take our hearts and lives—an offering of praise.

Together we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Dying you destroy our death; rising you restore our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

CALLING UPON THE HOLY SPIRIT

Spirit, come—come and live in us:
in this bread, in this cup,
in your people, one in the body, one in the blood;
one with Christ, one in ministry, in this place, in every place;
in this world, in the world to come.

By your Spirit, make us one. By your Spirit, make us whole.
By your Spirit, make this bread and cup your body and blood, that we may
know communion with you and with each other.

**Take our hearts, our lives, our hands;
mold us, change us, and send us out,
that we may be your body in the world you so love,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.**

SHARING IN THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT CONTEMPORARY ECUMENICAL VERSION

Please use these words or the ones of your tradition.

**Abba in heaven, Holy 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 kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen**

SHARING THE BREAD & CUP

*We invite all to receive God's love for the world through
communion or a blessing. For those wishing to have an
anointing for peace and for their journey of the week, A Deacon
or our Pastor will be at the baptismal font.*

***You are God's beloved. You are beautiful to behold.
You have something to share.***

***In every place you go, in all you do,
Christ goes with you and gives you the ability
by the power of the Holy Spirit to grant
forgiveness and peace as you work for justice and mercy
in the world that God so loves.***



*Behind the words the actions,
behind the actions the mystery.*

The Eucharist is a prism through which we can view the painful and joyful realities of life. It enables us to go beyond focusing on the historic events to evaluating all the events being enacted in our world and in our lives today.

The same symbols can empower us for liberation or legitimize our captivity, for liberation and captivity reside in the mind and not in the symbol.

Eucharist is a Way of looking at life in which we see
all water as wine,
all air as the breath of God,
all sunlight as the fire of the Spirit,
all earth as womb.

It is a way of visioning beyond the realm of logic to the shadowy world of the mystery of the human mind where the play of symbols creates a world of vitality, humor, reverence and delight.

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**Loving God, we share at this table
by Your Grace and Mercy
as we await Christ's coming.**