

## **Holy Communion**

**\* Hymn:** “O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts” VU #472 vs.1&2

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,  
the fount of life, the light of all  
from every bliss that earth imparts  
we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.

Your truth unchanged has ever stood;  
you plead with all to call on you,  
to those who seek you, you are good,  
to those who find you, life is new.

### ***A Call to Give Thanks***

The spirit of Creator be with you.

**And also with you.**

Jesus is love, and love is for us all

**Let us all embrace one another with love.**

We open our hearts and reach out with gratitude to the  
Holy Spirit.

**The Holy Spirit lives within us, and for this, we give  
thanks.**

### ***Remembering Jesus at the Table***

#### ***Affirmation of Memory and Hope***

Creator, you are with us. You are with every child born  
into a family that rejects them for their love, expression,  
and being.

**You are with us.**

You are with everyone whose identity is erased by ignorance; you hear their voices and proclaim their goodness.

**You are with us.**

You are with every child as they walk amongst their peers seeking to fit in, to be loved.

**You are with us.**

You are with those who are taken from their home, stripped of their identity, and forced to undergo violence in many forms.

**You are with us.**

You hear us God, you are with us through our laments, our joys, our pains, our triumphs, our losses, and our new beginnings.

**You are with us.**

## ***Prayer of Transformation / Blessings of the Elements***

## ***Sharing of Holy Communion***

**\* Hymn:**      “O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts”    VU#472 vs 3&4

We taste your ever living bread,  
and long to feast upon you still;  
we drink of you, the fountainhead,  
our thirsting souls from you we fill.

O Jesus, ever with us stay;  
make all our moments calm and bright;  
chase the bleak night of sin away;  
shed o'er the world your holy light.

## ***Concluding Praise***

**Creator God,**

**it is through these gifts that we are renewed.**

**Let your Spirit of love flow through body, heart and mind.**

**May we act with love, let no fear, anger, or hatred prevent us from being your loving people. May we strive for a just world, where all are loved. May we bandage the wounds of the world and nurture those afflicted, with the healing power of your love.**

**Amen.**