

The Sacrament of Communion

The Invitation

May our Creator be present with you.

And also with you.

Let us lift up your hearts

We lift them up to our Creator.

Let us truly give thanks to our Creating God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Thanksgiving

God of life, you nurture and sustain your people.

You bless us with abundance;

you gift us with your graciousness;

you know our every need.

In the birthing forth of creation you call us into being.

You gift us with health and wholeness;

you sustain our every endeavour.

You feed your hungry people.

You call us to work for justice, to share our table

with all creation, to feed the needy at our door, to

see nobody left in need.

Creator, we give you thanks...

for all that you are and all that you bring to us

within your creation.

In Jesus, you placed the Gospel in the Center

of the Sacred Circle through which all creation is related.

You show us the way to live a generous and

compassionate life.

**Give us your strength to live together with respect
and commitment as we grow in your spirit.**

Song of Creation

**Christ has died
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!**

O Great and Holy Spirit, God of every people, we come to
you as your many children,

to ask for your forgiveness and guidance.

Forgive us for the colonialism that stains our past,
**that allowed us to think we could claim another's
home solely for our own.**

Heal us of this history.

**Remind us that none of us were discovered
since none of us were lost, but that we are all
gathered within the sacred circle of your
community.**

Guide us through your wisdom to restore the truth of our
heritage.

**Help us to confront the racism that divides us
as we confess the pain it has caused to the human
family.**

Call us to kinship.

**Mend the hoop of our hearts
and let us live in justice and peace,
through Jesus Christ, the One who came
that all people might live in dignity.
Amen.**

* **Hymn:** “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” VU #468

Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

**Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!
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Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express. **R**

Jesus calls us in, sends us out,
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) everywhere! **R**

Telling the Story...

Let us remember together...

He took a loaf of bread, and after giving thanks,
he broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

“Take, eat. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks,
he passed it among them, saying:

“Drink this. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Through this loaf and cup, Jesus lives within us.

In word and deed, Jesus lives among us.

Prayer for Transformation

Sharing the Bread and Wine

Prayer Following Communion

**Loving God, we give you thanks
for creating all people in your image,
and for calling us together this day in humble hope
that our offerings, witness, prayers, songs, and
stories may serve to heal, transform and bind us
together in your compassionate wisdom and love.
As we leave this Sacred Circle, may we carry away
the memory of this time together so that we may
continue in the risen life of Christ,
the one who comes that all people might live
with dignity and in peace.
Amen.**