

**We pray in the name of Jesus, who lives  
and presides at this table, our host and our feast.**

Thanks be to him, who taught us to say . . .

*The Lord's Prayer*

*Sharing Bread and Cup*

(Christ is Risen/He is Risen indeed)

*Communion Thanksgiving*

Let us give thanks!

**Thank you, God, for life in the Spirit of Jesus,  
for gladness in this bread and cup,  
for love that cannot die,  
for peace the world cannot give,  
for joy in the company of friends,  
for the splendors of creation,  
and for the mission of justice you have made our  
own.**

**Give us the gifts of this holy communion—  
oneness of heart, love for neighbors,  
forgiveness of enemies, the will to serve you every  
day, and risen life that never ends.**

**In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

As we celebrate this Holy and Joyful meal together remember that this is the Lord's Table and ALL are welcome here. Please come forward to receive the bread and juice as you are served you will hear: "Christ is Risen" please respond '**He is Risen Indeed**'



**Easter Communion**

*Invitation*

Easter people, come now to the table with Christ!  
**For he is risen! He lives, and he presides at this  
feast!**

Come, eat together the bread of life!

**For he is risen, and nothing separates us from  
God's love!**

Come, drink together from the cup of gladness!

**For Christ is risen—risen as he said!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Praise to you, God of glory!

You created the universe and all living things.

You breathed life into our dust  
and gave us a paradise.

You sought us when we hid ourselves,  
ashamed of our sin.

You made a people for yourself,  
and saved them from oppression.

In the fullness of time,  
your love came also to us in your servant Jesus.

He ministered to us,  
healing, overcoming divisions, welcoming all.

He died on the cross of shame.

But you vindicated him,  
giving him a life that is forever new!

This is the life he shares with us:

a life of justice, mercy,  
and citizenship in your realm of peace.

All your creatures testify to your mighty deeds!

They declare your everlasting love!

We too proclaim it, as with the angels of heaven we  
sing:

***Sanctus***

***Choral***

### ***Remembering and Giving Thanks***

Now, O God, with grateful hearts we remember Jesus.

*Silence*

We remember that he was laid in a borrowed grave.

**A heavy stone sealed up the tomb.**

We remember that the women came,  
early in the morning, on the third day.

**They did not find him among the dead.**

We remember that his disciples met him on the road.

**He opened the Scriptures, explaining everything,  
and their hearts burned within them.**

They said to him, “Stay with us, for it is evening.”

So he went in with them.

And while they were at table,

he took bread, gave thanks,  
and broke it for them to share.

Then their eyes were opened,  
and they knew him in the breaking of the bread.

### ***Prayer to the Holy Spirit***

Come, Holy Spirit,

bless this bread that earth has given  
and human hands have made.

Bless also this fruit of the vine, created for our

gladness.

Make them the food and drink of everlasting life,  
body surrendered, blood poured out.

**As we rejoice in the resurrection,  
give us love for each other,  
and make us servants of peace,  
until your new realm is revealed  
and every creature beholds it.**