

The Great Thanksgiving

Look, here is bread!

Look, here is wine!

Let us celebrate the feast of God!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

To you—Creator God, who spoke the universe into being through your Word, who formed us in your own image, who called us by name, to you we lift our hearts, **and give our thanks and praise.**

To you—Redeeming God, who was born as one of us in Jesus, who told stories, restored the lost and broken, and broke barriers, who died and rose again, and lives and reigns forever, to you we lift our hearts, **and give our thanks and praise.**

To you—Sustaining God, who is present with us through the Holy Spirit, who calls us, leads us, inspires us and upholds us, who brings us into a kinship beyond earthly ties, to you we lift our hearts, **and give our thanks and praise.**

And now we join our voices with those of your people of every time and place as we praise you, singing:

*O holy, holy, holy God, O God of time and space,
All earth and sea and sky above bear witness to your grace. Hosanna in the highest
heav'n, creation sings your praise. And blessed is the One who comes and bears your
name always.*

(Kingsfold MV 203)

Before he parted from his friends, Jesus prepared a last supper to share with them. He took some bread, and gave thanks for it. Then he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take and eat; this is my body' he said. When supper was all but over, he took a cup of wine, gave thanks for it, and gave it to them to drink. 'This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed with my blood. Take and drink from it. It is for all.'

Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again! Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again!
(Kingsfold MV 204)

Pentecost Christ, in the breaking of bread
and the pouring of wine, **come to us.**

As we do now what you once did on earth,
be present with us.
Breathe your Spirit upon this bread and wine.
May they become our spiritual food and drink.

Breathe your Spirit upon us.
**May we be your body, revealing your presence
in the world.**

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer...

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion elements are offered in two ways today— either separately or by pre-filled bread/juice cups. Please make your way to one of the serving stations at the front of the sanctuary, by way of the centre aisle. Take the elements—stay as long as you wish and then return to your seat by an outside aisle.