A Sung Eucharist—"Promise" (VU 703)

Words of Instruction

Gathering

May the Lord our God be with you.

May God also be with you.

Let us lift our hearts and voices.

Yes! We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give our thanks and praise to God almighty, Lord of Love.

Only by the Word that calls us is our deepest hunger stilled.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you Creator, maker of the heavens and earth. You have formed us in your image, breathed in to us holy breath. With your people on the earth and all the company of heaven. Now we lift your holy name and join in their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy God of power, Heav'n and earth are full of thee Bless-ed is the one you sent, hosanna in the highest praise! Holy are you, and most blessed is your Son, Lord Jesus Christ. Through your Spirit you anointed Him to be our saving grace.

By baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection life You gave birth to Christ's new body, Spirit born and water blessed.

> You delivered us from evil, from our slavery to sin, and have made of us new creatures now the church with faith professed.

Spoken Prayer of Consecration

On the same night that he was betrayed, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying: "Drink this; for this is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you shall drink it. in remembrance of me."

In remembrance of these acts, we give ourselves in thanks and praise. Holy living sacrifices, we proclaim faith's mysteries: "Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again one day." Pour your Holy Spirit on us, gathered in this place today.

Breathe your Spirit on these gifts of breaking bread and pouring cup, make them be for us the body and the blood of Jesus Christ.
By your Spirit, we become Christ's body given for the world, til he comes in final victory and we feast forevermore.

Through your Son, our Saviour Jesus, with the Holy Spirit's power, may the Church that you created honour you in every hour.
Yours the glory, yours the kingdom, all who live in love are thine, teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Communion (Spoken)

These are the gifts of God for the people of God *Thanks be to God.*

Come now for all has been made ready.

Anthem

Prayer after Communion (The Lord's Prayer)

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