# The Sacrament Of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

### Words of Instruction

#### Gathering:

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Blessed are you Creator of light, Giver of all life, Source of love. With your breath, (...) and with angels and archangels, to proclaim the glory of your name:

#### **Sanctus Benedictus**

MV 203

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!

## Remembering the Meal:

As we gather at this table, we remember that on the night before he died, just a few nights ago, (...) Grant that in praise and thanksgiving, we may so offer ourselves to you that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

## **Memorial Acclamation**

MV 204

Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again! Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again

# Blessing of the Bread and the Cup

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts. Make us one with Christ in his self-giving, that through us, he may: bind up the broken-hearted, comfort the mourners, open the eyes of the blind, and proclaim liberty to the captives—until justice rolls down like waters, and righteousness like an overflowing stream. In this hope, all the people sang:

# The Great Amen

MV 205

Amen, amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen! Amen, amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!

And now with voices raised together the with prayers of thanksgiving and concern that we bring before God, let us sing together the words that Christ taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

VU 959

## Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup Sharing of the Bread and the Cup:

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.** Come now for all has been made ready.

# sharing the meal

**Communion Hymn:** This Joyful Eastertide VU 177

## Prayer after Communion (Unison):

Holy God, in this place, at this table, we have touched, we have tasted, and we have heard the signs of your love for us. Grant that we may go away from this house filled with our love for you and overflowing with your love for those who are around us and who share our lives. We offer this and all our prayers in the strong name of Jesus Christ. AMEN

#### **Blessing:**

As we have shared this bread,

Let us be strengthened for the road ahead. As we have shared this cup.

May we be empowered by the Holy Spirit. And on this day of miracles, all the people cry, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! AMEN!