

# *Sacrament of Holy Communion*

## **Words of Instruction & Invitation**

### **Call to Give Thanks:**

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**

### **Song of Creation:**

With the risen Christ, who makes all things new by the power of his resurrection, we join in the song of a new day, to sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

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### **Remembering Jesus at Table:**

Let us remember together that vision of God's reign shown to us in Jesus at table:

**he shared food with followers and friends,**

with saints and sinners,

**with crowds of thousands on the hillside,**

and a few friends in an upper room.

**On the night before he died, he had supper with his companions.**

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 of Self-Giving:**

Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace, remembering Christ's life and death, celebrating this day in the light of his resurrection, waiting in hope for his coming again. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving, we may so offer ourselves to you that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith.

### **Affirmation of Memory and Hope:**

Christ has died.

**Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen.**

Christ will come again.

**Christ will come again.**

## **Prayer for Transformation & Lord's Prayer**

### **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 Music: The Strife is O'er**

VU 159

### **Prayer After Communion:**

**Life-giving God, we give you thanks for the gift of our Saviour's presence in the simplicity and splendour of this holy meal. Unite us with all who are fed by the life of Christ that we may faithfully proclaim the Good News of your love. Bathe the path before us in resurrection light as we follow in Christ's own way. Amen.**

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