

Thanksgiving and Communion



Epiphany Sunday

January 2, 2022

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give our thanks and praise to you.

We thank you, creating God for the great light of your love.

You promise to give light to all who are in despair, and to guide our feet
on the way of peace.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(All Sing)

**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. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, you sent Jesus to us, the light of the world. Blessed is your
Son Jesus Christ, whose birth in our hearts we prepare with hope and
anticipation, and for whose life, passion, death and resurrection we give
thanks beyond measure.

Before Jesus was betrayed, he gathered with his friends for a meal.

Taking the bread, he gave thanks to you O God.
He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Take, and eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in
remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to
his disciples, and said:

“This is the cup of the new covenant, poured out for the healing of the
world and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Drink from this, all of
you. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, as we remember Jesus, light of the world, we offer ourselves into
Christ’s service, that we too might radiate God’s light, as we proclaim the
mystery of faith.

(All Sing)

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread
and cup, that they may be for us the living presence of Jesus Christ, light
of the world, our hope for all creation.

By your spirit make us one with Christ, and one with each other. Through
your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor
and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

(All Sing)

Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

The Body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

Prayer after Receiving:

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.