

Love Through & Through



Prelude

GATHERING

We stand as able.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Blessed be the Spirit of Life.

Assembly: **Glory to the Beloved for ever and ever.**

OPENING COLLECT

Presider:

Assembly:

We sit.

TEACHING

We stand as able.

HEART OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Like a warrior, You being is a tireless force for peace in the world; may we know You as the strength of our hearts, granting us the courage to live together in justice and faith. Loving Spirit,
we are yours, body and soul.

Like an elder, You offer vision and wisdom to illumine the path of all who serve; may they know You as the Guide, grounding them in prayer, and giving them courage, wisdom, listening hearts, creativity, and a willingness to risk; may they know they have been chosen to serve. Loving Spirit,
we are yours, body and soul.

Like a mother, You enfold all children and young people; may they know You as their guide through life's challenges and opportunities. Loving Spirit,
we are yours, body and soul.

Like a father, You protect all those who are sick [especially _____]; may they know You as their deliverer, carrying them when their own hearts fail. Loving Spirit,
we are yours, body and soul.

Like a friend and lover, You bring hope to all those who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labor, for the sake of justice and truth; may they find comfort in your promise and rest in your presence. Loving Spirit,
we are yours, body and soul.

Like a breath of freedom, You choose prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all who have borne witness to the gospel of uncompromising love [especially_____]; may we know You as the Truth directing our own lives in the same spirit of service, sacrifice and celebration. Loving Spirit, **we are yours, body and soul.**

Presider: Holy Life of the universe,
in your Loving Spirit we are one
with the saints.
In our earthly pilgrimage
may we know ourselves
supported by this company of love and prayer,
and surrounded by the great cloud of witnesses.
Embolden us to trust in your boundless mercy
manifest in the life of Rabi Jesus.

All: **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly: **And also with you.**

HOSPITALITY

Welcoming of Visitors and Guests

Announcements

Recognition of Birthdays & Anniversaries

Fed with Thanksgiving

Presentation Anthem

We stand as able.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Presider: The Beloved is your life.

Assembly: **And also yours.**

Presider: Give unto the Beloved your hearts, your minds, your bodies.

Assembly: **With thanks and praise, we lay open our lives.**

Presider: How good and joyful it is
always and everywhere to give thanks to You,
Beloved Creator.
In Christ we live and in the Spirit we love,

united with all peoples in our thirst for what is true.
We are here to serve You as we care for creation,
living a gospel of gracious hospitality and healing justice.

And so with hearts overflowing with gratitude,
we praise You,
joining our voices with all those of earth and heaven,
who forever sing this hymn to proclaim your glory:

Sanctus

Presider: Holy and Gracious One,
we are yours, body and soul –
even in our blind complacency with evil and our fear of death.
You are Mercy itself,
embodied in the tenacious and tender life of Jesus become Christ –
sacrament of your eternal and undying Love.
Jesus is who we are each called to be: Love, through and through.

Jesus willingly stretches out his arms upon the cross,
refusing to compromise his compassion,
offering himself as the way of reconciling love for the whole world.
On the night the Romans arrest, torture, and kill him,
Jesus takes bread;
and when Jesus has given thanks to You,
the Beloved breaks it, and gives it to his disciples, and says,
take, eat: this is my body.
Become who you receive.

After supper Jesus takes the cup of wine;
and when Jesus has given thanks,
the Beloved gives it to them, and says,
drink this, all of you: this is the blood of the new life:
a life of hospitality – for none are turned away;
a life of forgiveness – for mercy has no end;
a life of friendship – for we love even our enemies.
Drink this cup, for the blood of new life flows through you.

Becoming Love, through and through,
we celebrate the gift of our eternal life as You, Beloved.
Living as Christ's resurrected body, our hearts ascend to You,

offering these precious and sacred gifts,
blessed by your Spirit
as the holy food and drink of new and unending life as Christ for the world.
As the blood of new life flows through our hearts and cleanses our souls,
may we serve You now, this moment, and each moment,
in unity, constancy, and peace;
for now is the reign of God –
now you are life, now you are love,
through and through.

All: AMEN.

Presider: In the Spirit of Christ we now pray,

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider: We break this bread
to share in the Body of Christ.

***Assembly:* We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

Presider: The Gifts of God.
All are invited to God's table.

THE COMMUNION

Communion Hymn

SENDING FORTH

We stand as able.

Presider: Let us pray

***All:* Abundant One,
In You,
we are fed with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
In You,
we are one with all creatures, great and small;
In You,
we are sent forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may receive with honor all we meet;
that we may share your love with all we receive;
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ. Amen.**

Presider: May the blessing of the Beloved,
forever Loving, Beautiful and Good,
draw us forth into lives of justice and peace,
this day and always.

Assembly: **Amen.**

Hymn

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve.

Assembly: **Thanks be to God.**

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