

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The invitation to Holy Communion comes from God in Christ, and all who wish to receive the grace offered at this table fellowship are welcome. We use gluten-free bread and grape juice, which the deacons will distribute.

INVITATION

THE GREAT PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Pastor will offer a prayer of thanksgiving, culminating with the words:

“With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy you holy name”:

Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power, love, and majesty,

The whole universe speaks of your glory, God Most High!

PASTORAL PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Therefore, Holy Spirit, we pray: Consecrate these common gifts of bread and juice for the higher purpose of reminding us of you, and your life, which nourishes and strengthens our own. And bless us in receiving these gifts, as we offer you our faith and praise: may we be united with Christ and with one another, and continue faithful in all things.

In the strength Christ gives us, we offer ourselves to you, eternal God, and give thanks that you have called us to serve you. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER (unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

COMMUNION IS SHARED

UNISON PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all Christ’s gifts. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth your praise in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.