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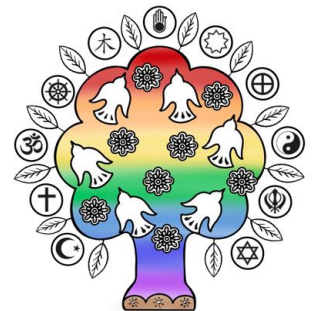


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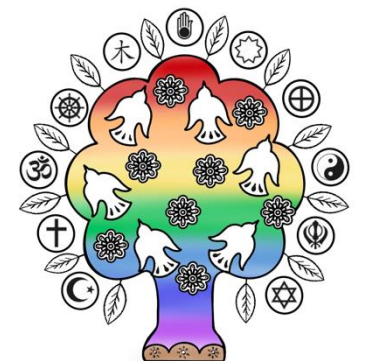
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

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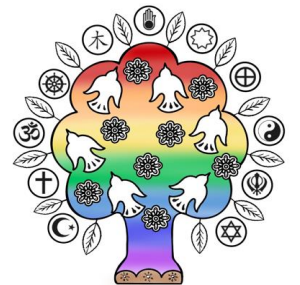
Grace Trinity Catholic Church grew out of a vision to provide spiritual services to people everywhere. Grace Trinity is committed to following the traditions of the early church, meeting in small groups and homes while embracing our modern technology. We are dedicated to carrying Jesus's message of love and justice. Grace Trinity is representative of a non-Vatican Catholic Movement as a sacramental and liturgical church.

Everyone is welcome and included here, regardless of religion, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. You are greeted and embraced here, whomever you are. And wherever you are on your spiritual journey.





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Communion

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All Are Welcome

Greeting

✝ Let us begin our service today in the name of our Creator,
Redeemer, and Paraclete.

R/ Amen.

Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad. The God who created the
world and fills it with life is with you all.

R: And also with you.

For whom and for what shall we offer this Mass?

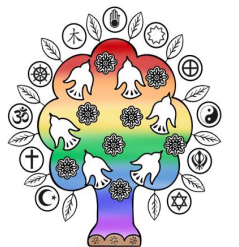
Let us remember these petitions as we pray our mass.



Introduction

A talent was an ancient coin of great value. In fact, a person who had even one talent possessed great buying power. There was nothing that could stop such a person from making a good profit with the single talent, except their own fear. Indeed, fear paralyzed the servant, and the servant failed to measure up to the householder's trust.

God has entrusted us with so much, and rightfully expects much from us in return. May our fear never get the better of us. Rather, may we bring forth much good through stewardship of God's many gifts.



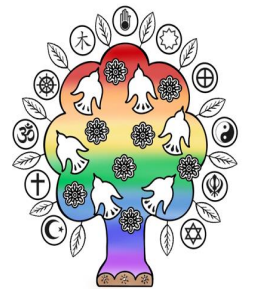
Our Call to be Aligned Toward God

Children of God, let us reflect on how we have recognized Jesus in those we encountered this week, and how we responded. (*pause for brief reflection*)

Lord Jesus, the voice that asks for our help is yours,
R: Lord, help us to hear it.

Christ Jesus, the troubled eyes that crave for our friendship are yours,
R: Christ, open our hearts.

Lord Jesus, the humble, silent need that cries out to us to see and hear it, is you,
R: Lord, help us notice and relieve it.



God's word calls us into existence and fixes us forever in God's love. Through the ministry of the church, aligned toward God — loving God and neighbor — we are reconciled in the name of the Father/Mother, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *All: Amen.*

All: Let peace come upon us and let us rejoice, God delights in us.

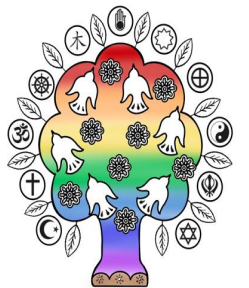


Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to all people on earth. Lord God, Heavenly One, Almighty God, our Creator, we worship You; we give You thanks; we praise You for your glory! Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of God, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Creator: receive our prayer! For You alone are the Holy One. You alone are the Lord.

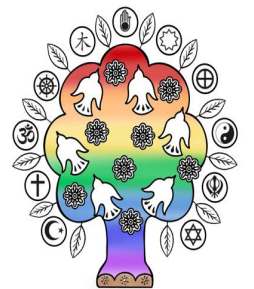
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, our Creator. Amen!



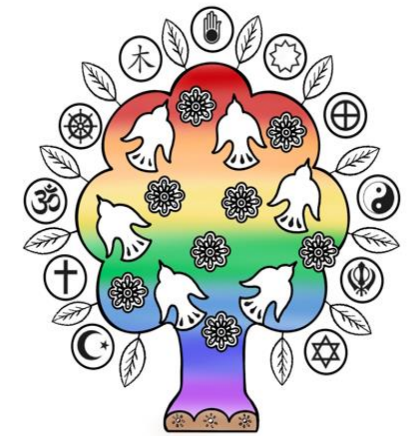
Opening Prayer

Let us pray that we may respond to God's trust in us.

Loving God, you no longer call us servants but friends. There is so much you have entrusted to us, even the future of your realm of justice and love. Give us the grace to spread love and peace in this world, to be united with all Christians and with all who seek you, and to bring reconciliation and joy to everyone. Let us go together the way to you, our living and loving God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *R: Amen*



Liturgy of the Word



First Reading

A reading from the book of Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20, 30-31

Who can find a partner of noble character? One who is far more precious than jewels. The heart of their spouse trusts in them and will have no lack of gain. They do the other good, not harm, all the days of their life. This partner seeks out wool and flax and works with willing hands. These hands open to the poor and reach out to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty is fleeting, but a person who respects the Most High is to be praised. Give such as one credit for what has been accomplished and praise in the city gates.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us, God's people.

R: Thanks be to God



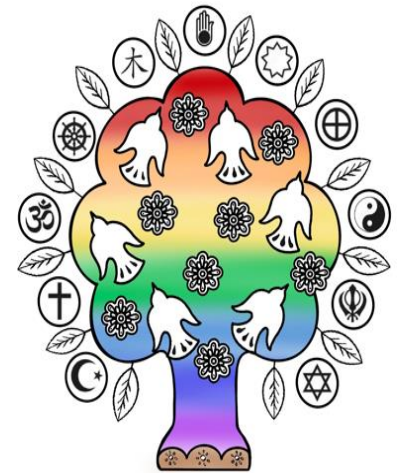
Responsorial Psalm 128: 1-5

Blessed are those who respect Yahweh.

R:/ Blessed are those who respect Yahweh.

Happy is everyone who respects the LORD, who walks in his ways. You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you.”

R:/ Blessed are those who respect Yahweh.



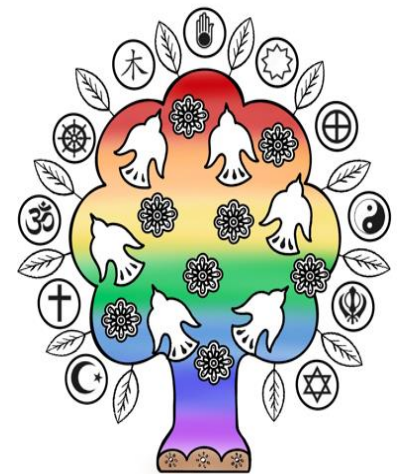
May God give you blessings all your days. May you see your landfilled. Until your children bring their children home to show God's love again.

R:/ Blessed are those who respect Yahweh.

The Lord bless you from Zion.

May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R:/ Blessed are those who respect Yahweh.



Second Reading: A reading from St. Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians: 5:1-6

Concerning times and seasons, beloved, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you, yourselves, know very well that the day of the Lord Jesus will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape. But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

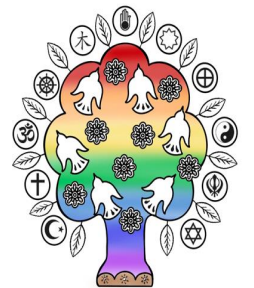
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Alleluia!

The word of the Lord
lasts forever
What is the Word that is living?
It is brought to us
through God's Son
Jesus Christ.



Gospel

The Lord is with you

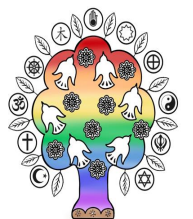
R. And also with you

May the Father/Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts so that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

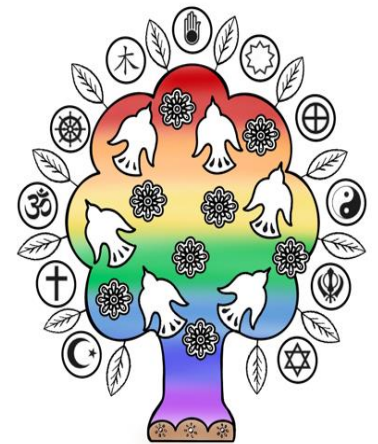
✝ A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:14-30

R/ Glory to you, Lord

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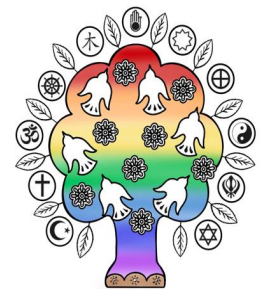


Jesus told his disciples this parable: "Householders going on a journey called in their servants and entrusted their possessions to them. To one they gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one- to each according to their ability. Then they went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the servant who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried the householder's money.



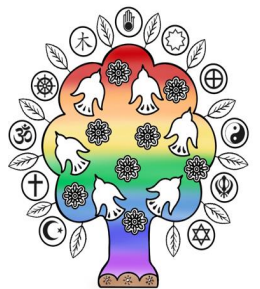
After a long time, the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'

And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'



Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return, I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him and give it to the one with the ten talents.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord
R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

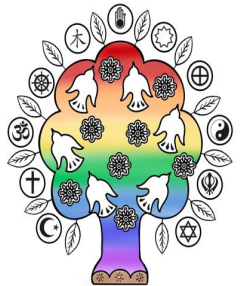


Affirmation of Faith

People of Yahweh we remember in a special way the faith we share, passed on to us at Baptism, and expressed in our life together. Let us affirm that faith now.

All: We believe in God, who created the world and reaches out to it with a love fierce and passionate, tender and kind.

We believe in Jesus the Christ – God revealed in a human life, who touched the untouchable and pardoned the unforgivable, who was crucified, died, and raised by God.



We believe in the Holy Spirit – God’s mysterious Presence with us – who gives life and renews us, whose wisdom surprises, prompts and questions, awakening courage and hope.

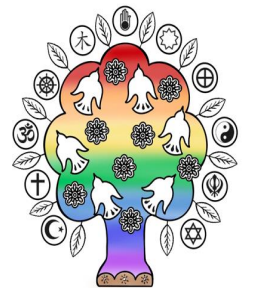
We believe we are created in the image of God – growing to wholeness in Christ, and through God’s overflowing love for us we have been forgiven, and that gathered by the Spirit, we are baptized into a common life.

We believe in God who is life.

This is our faith. This is the faith of the church.

We are proud to profess it, in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.



Prayers of the People

Beloved, placing our trust in God, let us confidently approach the Source of grace with our prayers for all people far and near, known and unknown.

In thanksgiving for the gifts and talents we have been blessed with by God, that we may use them in service to the Gospel . . . we pray,

All: Hear the prayers of your people, O God

For peace: for dialogue where there is discord; for nonviolent solutions where there is conflict; for an end to war, we pray . . .

All: Hear the prayers of your people, O God



For all churches: Ministers of worship, spiritual directors, and ministers to the poor. For faith and steadfastness and perseverance to preach a loving God to this needy world, we pray ...

All: Hear the prayers of your people, O God

For all that we need to become the holy children God created us to be, we pray . . .

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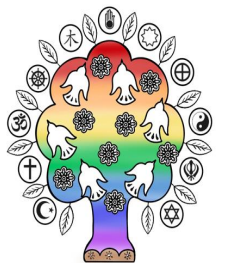
For our families, those we love, and the intentions we now bring before you in the silence of our hearts ... pause . . . we pray,

All: Hear the prayers of your people, O God

Loving and generous God, you give us all that we need to become the holy people you call us to be. Inspire in us the desire to live full and gracious lives faithful to your Gospel, trusting in your promises.

We pray in Jesus' name.

R: Amen.



Sign of Peace To The World

Jesus said in John 14: 27 “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”

All: May our faith in Jesus make us well and calm our fears, tensions, and anxieties.

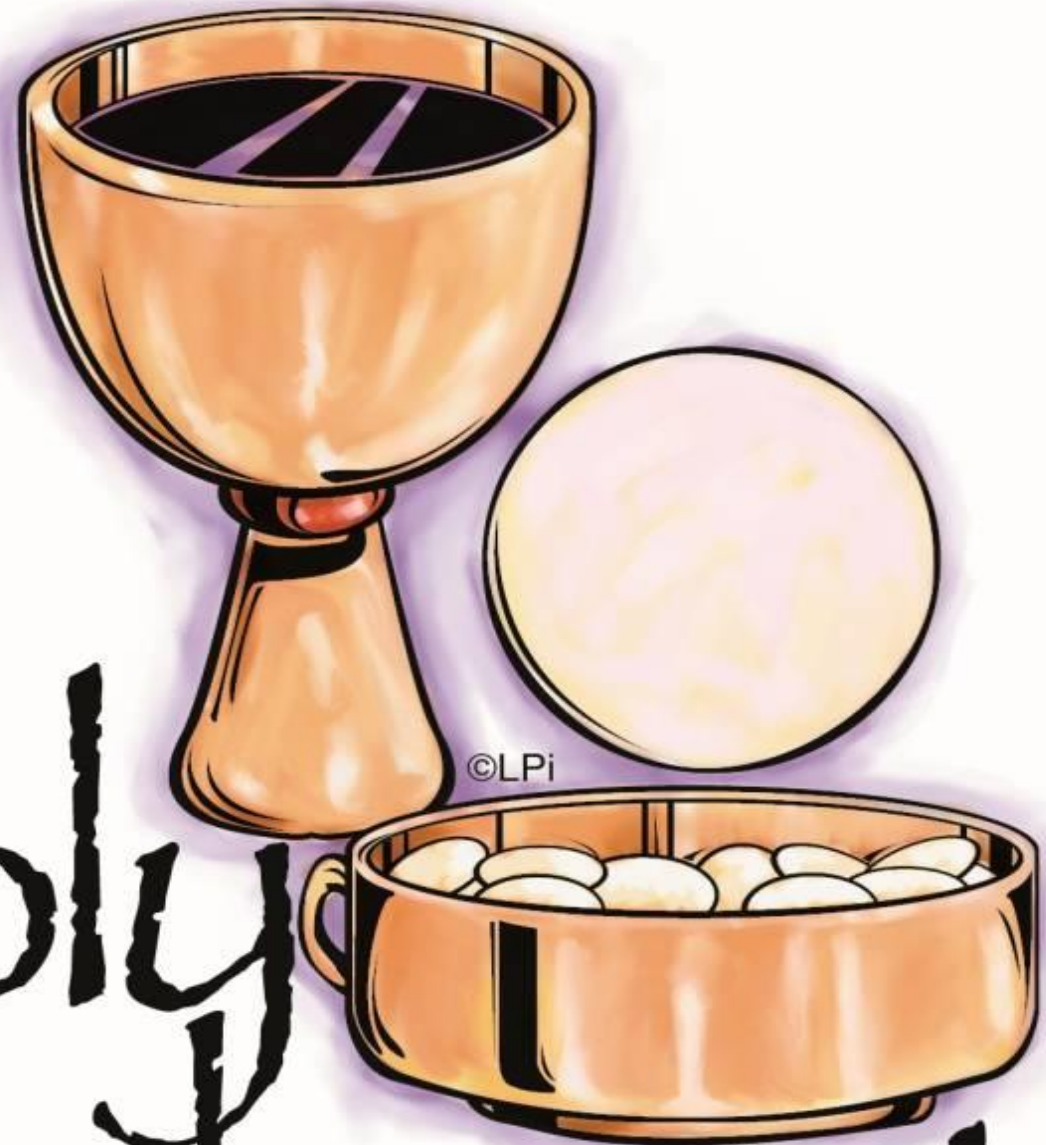
May the peace of Christ be with each of you!

All: And also with you.

Let us share the peace of Christ with each other.



Liturgy of the Eucharist

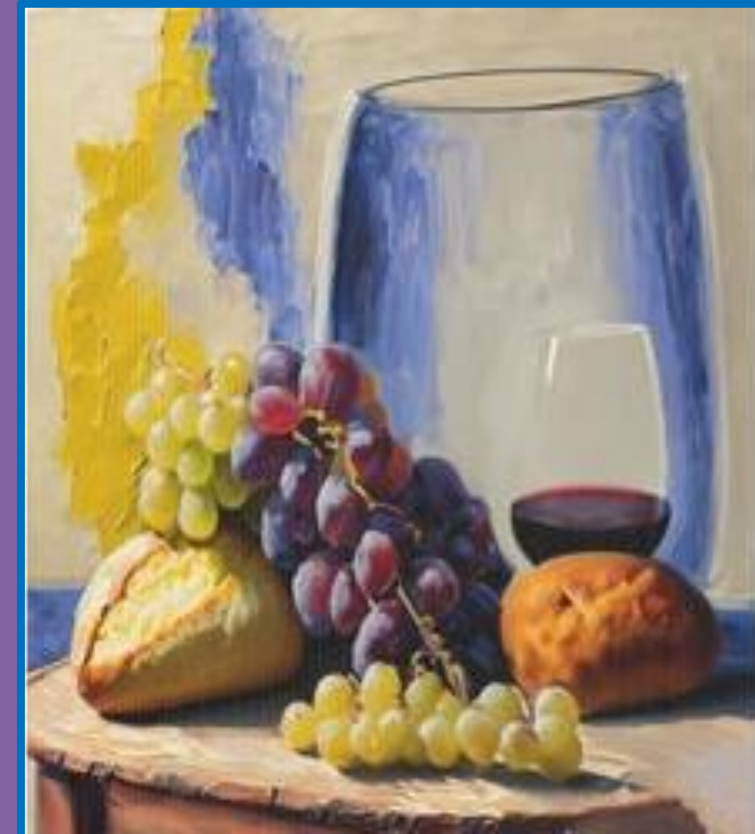


Holy
Eucharist

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Together let us offer these gifts:

All: Blessed are You, God of all creation. Through Your love we have this bread to share, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become the bread of life. Blessed be God forever.

By the mystery of this water and fruit of the vine,
may we come to share in the divinity of Christ,
Who shares in our humanity.

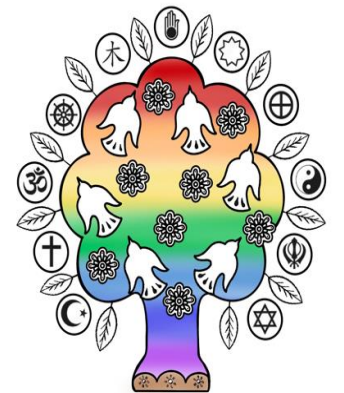


All: Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through Your love we have this wine to share, fruit of the vine and the work of human hands. It will become the blood of Christ. Blessed be God forever.

As we break this bread and share this cup, we remember those who share this journey with us. With those who drum the song of the earth and those who dance the wisdom of all people, with those who travel the way of the Hindus, those who follow the path of the Buddha, the children of Islam, the Jewish people from whom we come, with Christians everywhere and all who walk a spiritual path.



We pray that God may accept this sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's people.

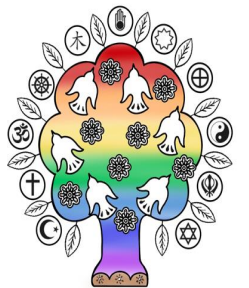


Prayer over the Gifts

Loving God, all we see before us is a piece of bread and a cup with wine. Yet we believe that soon these will be your Son living among us. Let Him come alive in us and guide us by the Holy Spirit, that with Him we may hear your call. As we join Him in His sacrifice, we present to you ourselves — our words and actions of compassion to others. May this be the sacrifice we offer you through Jesus the Christ.

We pray this through Jesus, our guide and example.

All: Amen.



Preface

God is with you.

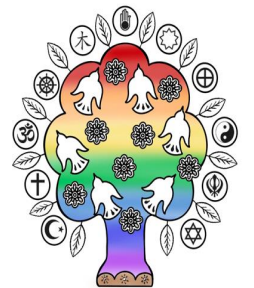
R: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

R: We lift them up to the Creator.

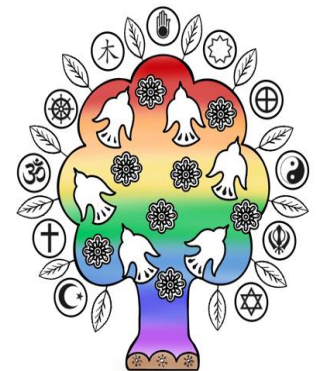
Let us give thanks to our loving Creator.

R: It is right to give God thanks and praise.



Blessed are you, God of Life, by whose Word the heavens were formed and the earth brought forth from the waters.

R: Your glory is reflected in all creation and from You flow springs of living water from which every creature draws life.



Blessed are you and blessed is your Son, Jesus, who went down into the deep waters of death, and who was born again from the depths with the divine word thundering in His ears, declaring Him to be the one in whom earth and heaven are reconciled.

R: We bless you for Christ whose love, like an ever flowing stream, floods over every boundary and border that separates us from one another; who draws us forth as new creatures, declaring us to be pleasing to you and anointed with the Spirit to proclaim your Name through all the earth.



Now we are gathered here at your table, and with all creation, we offer praise for your unending love, as we say:

R: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are they who come in the name of Yahweh. Hosanna in the highest.



The Consecration of the Eucharist

If You Wish, Bring Your Bread and Wine to the Table

Source of all being, send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts.
Let them become ✝ the Body and Blood of your Son,
Jesus the Christ.

Blessed are you, O God, who has called us and gathered us
here around this table.

*R: We thank you for Jesus, whose life, prayer and ministry
opened our eyes to the glory of life and fueled our hunger for
your long-anticipated realm of justice and peace.*



We thank you for Christ's passionate solidarity with the suffering of all the earth; for as he bore in his own body the wounds of creation, he embraced us in our brokenness and gathered us into his wholeness so that we might know ourselves beloved and serve with him as priests forever in an all-embracing Eucharist.

Blessed is our brother Jesus, who, on the night before He died, took bread, gave thanks to You, broke it, and said:

R: Take this all of you and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

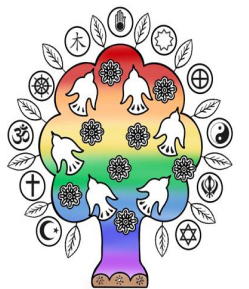


Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise. Send Your Spirit upon us and grant that we who eat this bread and drink from this cup may be filled with Your life and goodness. Through the abiding presence of Christ, empower us to live the gospel of peace and bring reconciliation to the world in Jesus' name. All this we ask through Your Son, Jesus the Christ.

Therefore, here in this place, we celebrate the life that death could not hold, the life that Jesus has shared among the communities through the centuries and shares with us now.

Bread and wine are held up as we say . . .

R: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ. In the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are Yours, almighty God, forever and ever. Amen.



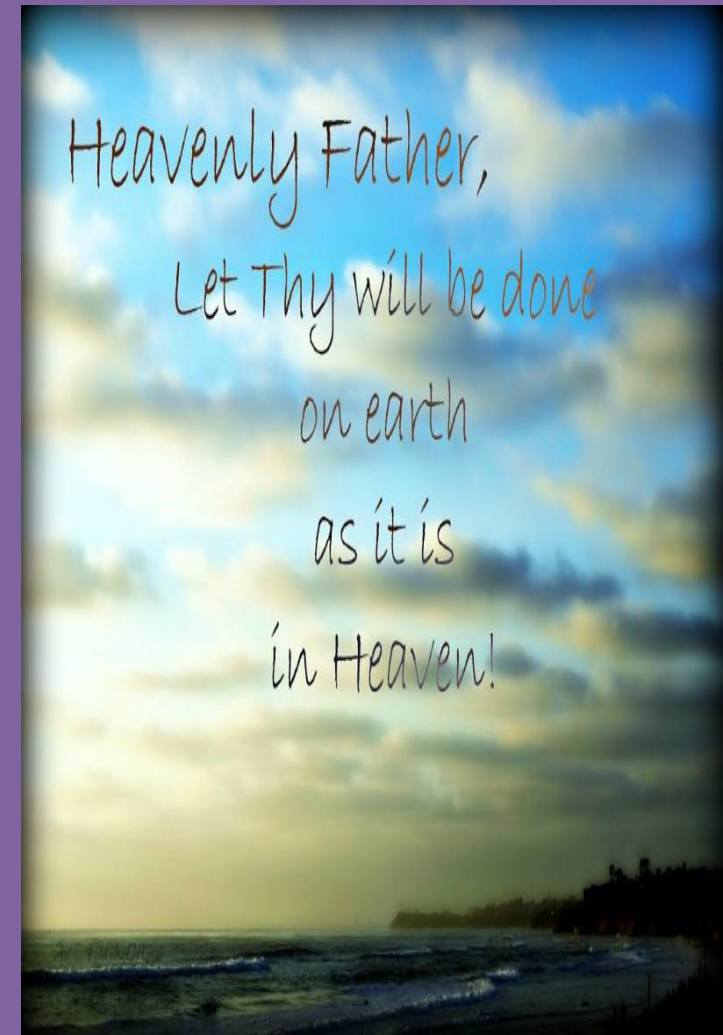
Gathered together as Children of God, we pray as Jesus taught us:

All: Our Father/Mother in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your 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. Do not let us fall into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



Deliver us, O God, from every evil and grant us peace in our days, that with the help of Your grace we may be always free in Your love and protected from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ, now and forever.

All: Amen



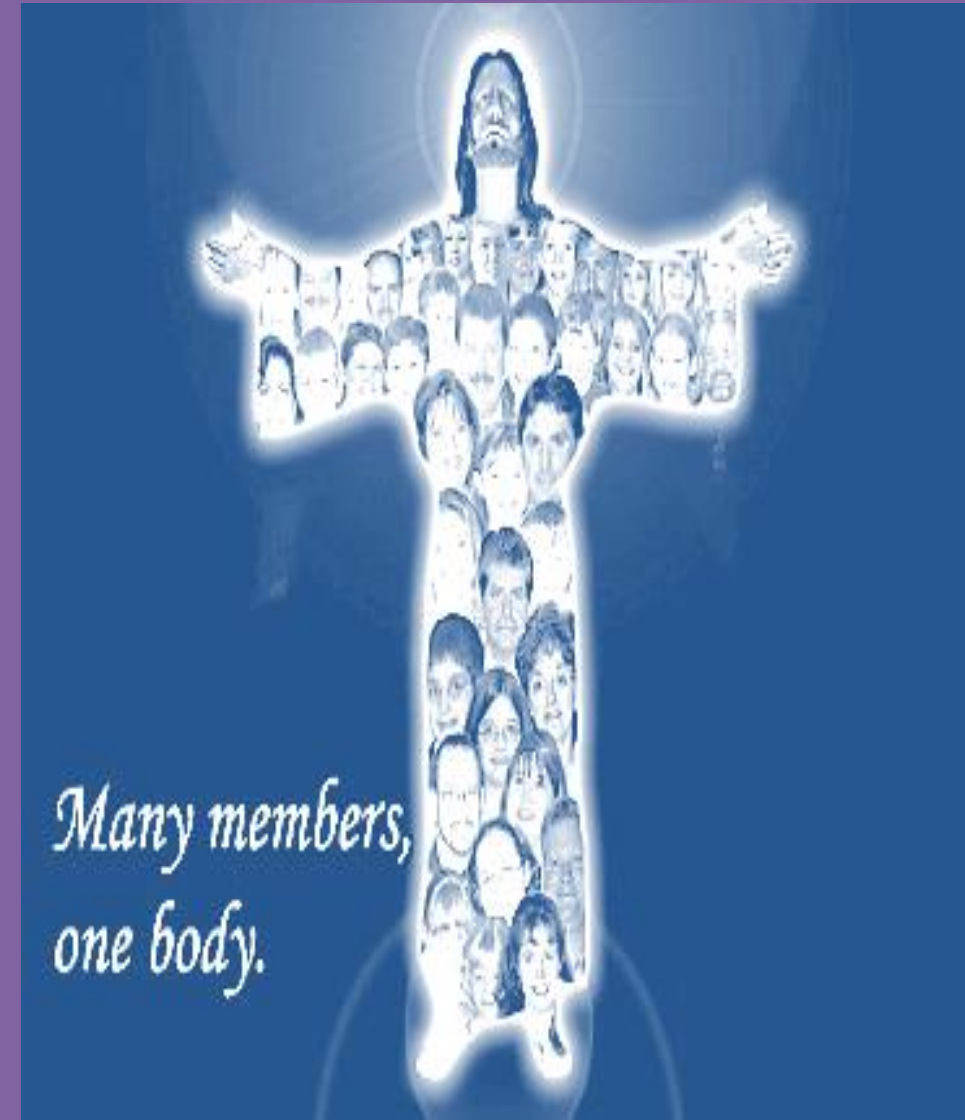
Breaking of the Bread

May this mingling of the body and blood of Jesus the Christ bring eternal life to us who this Gift.

R: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread and in the one cup.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Happy are we to be called to this meal.

R: Through Your Grace, we are worthy to receive you. may we receive this gift in the purity of heart. may it bring us healing and strength now and forever.





Communion is shared



**Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need,
Here at the table of plenty.**

Prayer after Communion

Beloved, let us pray.

Lover of us all, in this Eucharistic celebration you have given us the word and body of your Son to make us a community of love and service. May we all be and remain the one body of Christ, in unity, love, and peace. *R: Amen*



Announcements

Final Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord is with you

R: And also with you

May God enlighten us to be good stewards of creation; *Amen!*

May Christ Jesus lead us in our mission to spread his message of peace; *Amen!*

May the Holy Spirit fill us with light and love and purpose. *Amen!*

And may the blessing of our loving God: ✚ Father/Mother, Son,
and Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you for ever.

R: Amen



This Little
Light of Mine

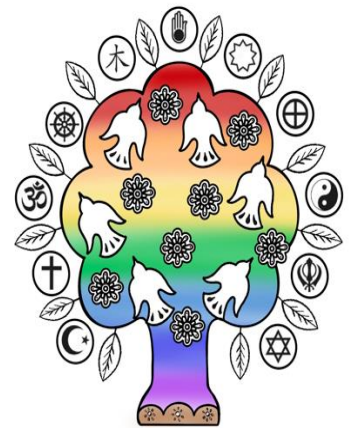


Sending Forth

The Mass is ended.

Let us go now, rejoicing in God and delighting in all God does.
And nourished with the Eucharist, let us share it with the world.

R: Thanks be to God.



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