

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Let's think about God.

We are thinking about God.

Let's pray and thank God for everything God does for us.

Thanking God is a joyful thing to do!

God,

we thank you for everything you do for us.

You created us.

You created the beautiful world we live in.

You love us so much

that you help us know what is good and what is bad.

You love us so much

that you always want us to love you and love other people.

And so we sing together:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of pow'r and
might. Heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - - - - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Blest is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Please be seated. Pastor continues leading the prayer, recalling the acts of Christ.

You are holy and your Son Jesus is holy.
He was born as a baby, just like us.
He lived with his mom and dad, Mary and Joseph,
and he grew up like us.
He studied and learned, like us.

When he grew up he showed us your love.
He taught people how to love each other,
and he helped people have healthy bodies
and healthy spirits.

He gathered many people into your Church
and told us to keep doing his work.

To help us remember him,
he invited us to his special meal, this holy meal.

Jesus took bread, and blessed it,
and broke it, and gave it to his people.

He said,
“This bread will remind you
that I am giving myself for you.”

He took a cup of grape juice and said,
“Drink this to remember me,
and remember that I live in you.”

And so,
we remember all the wonderful things
you did through Jesus Christ.

We want to be part of your family,
doing what Jesus did,
so we sing:

Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a -
gain. Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

God, send your Holy Spirit to us here today.
Send your Holy Spirit on this bread and this juice,
so that when we eat them
we will know that Jesus lives in us
and we live in Jesus.

Send your Holy Spirit to connect us with Jesus
and with one another in your Church.

Send your Holy Spirit to give us power
to help other people the way Jesus told us to.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
we give you honor and glory, God,
now and forever.

A - men. A - men. A - - - - men.
— Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

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