

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 thanks to you,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or you had formed the earth,  
from everlasting to everlasting,  
you alone are God.

You created light out of darkness  
and brought forth life on the earth.

You formed us in your image  
and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed,  
your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity,  
made covenant to be our sovereign God,  
and spoke to us through your prophets.

And so, with your people on earth

and all the company of heaven

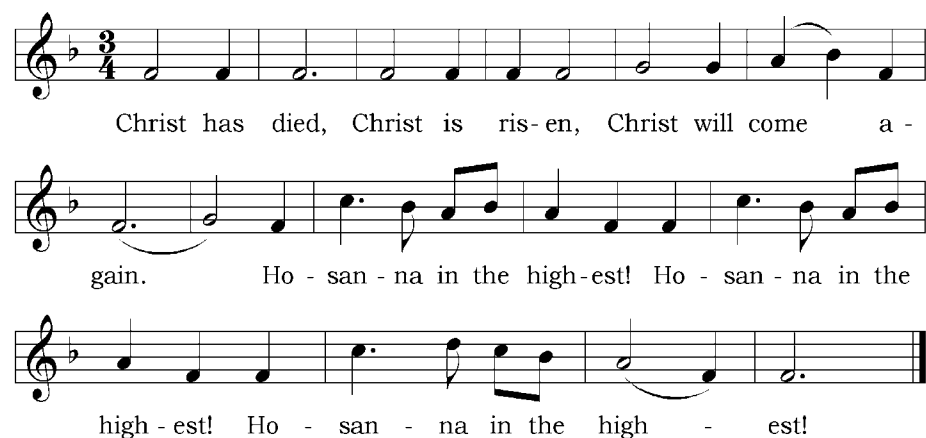
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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!

Holy are you,  
 and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,  
 in whom you have revealed yourself,  
 our light and our salvation.  
 You sent a star to guide wise men  
 to where the Christ was born;  
 and in your signs and witnesses,  
 in every age and through all the world,  
 you have led your people from far places to his light.  
 By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
 you gave birth to your Church  
 delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
 and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,  
 he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,  
 gave it to his disciples, and said:  
 "Take, 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:  
 "Drink from this, all of you;  
 this is my blood of the new covenant,  
 poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
 Do this, as often as you drink it,  
 in remembrance of me."

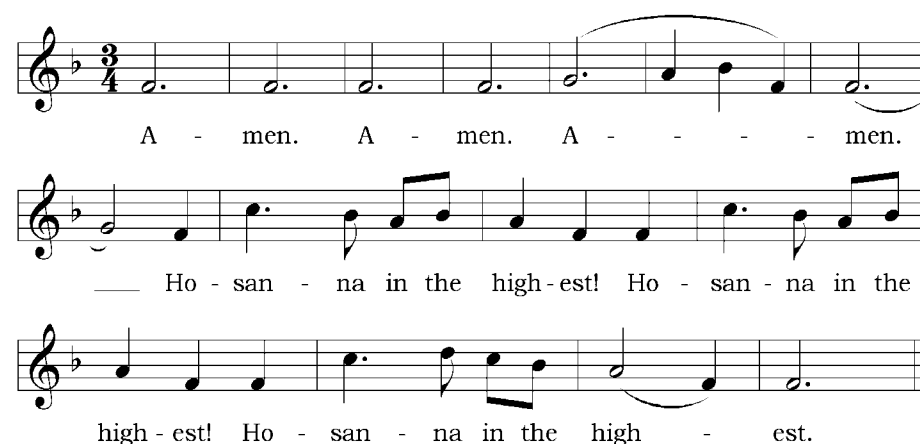
And so,  
 in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
 we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
 as a holy and living sacrifice,  
 in union with Christ's offering for us,  
 as we proclaim the mystery of faith.



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!

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
 and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
 Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
 that we may be for the world the body of Christ,  
 redeemed by his blood.  
 By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
 one with each other,  
 and one in ministry to all the world,  
 until Christ comes in final victory,  
 and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
 with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
 all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God,  
 now and for ever.



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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