

# O GOD, WHO SHAPED CREATION



1. O God who shaped cre - a - tion at  
 2. O God, with pain and an - guish a  
 3. Al - though your heart is bro - ken when  
 4. O God, when trin - kets tar - nish and  
 5. In mer - cy and com - pas - sion your



earth's cha - o - tic dawn, your word of pow'r was  
 moth - er sees her child em - bark on dead - end  
 peo - ple scorn your ways, you nev - er cease your  
 plea - sures lose their charm, when, wea - ried by our  
 good - ness is re - vealed; with ten - der - ness you



spo - ken, and lo! the dark was gone! You  
 path - ways, al - lur - ing, but de - filed; so  
 search - ing through e - vil's dark - some maze; and  
 wan - d'ring, we seek your o - pened arm, with  
 touch us, and bro - ken hearts are healed. You



framed us in your im - age, you  
 too your heart is bro - ken when  
 when we cease our run - ning, your  
 moth - er - like com - pas - sion you  
 claim us as your chil - dren, you



brought us in - to birth, you blessed our in - fant  
 hate and lust in - crease, when worlds you birthed and  
 joys, O God, a - bound like joy of search - ing  
 share your warm em - brace; you set for us a  
 strip our pride - ful shame; with free - dom born of



foot - steps and shared your splen - dored earth.  
 nur - tured spurn ways that lead to peace.  
 wom - an when trea - sured coin is found.  
 ban - quet and heal us with your grace.  
 mer - cy we bless your ho - ly name!

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# PRAISE WITH JOY THE WORLD'S CREATOR



1. Praise with joy the world's cre - a - tor, God of jus - tice,  
 2. Praise to Christ who feeds the hun - gry, frees the cap - tive,  
 3. Praise the Spir - it sent a - mong us, lib - er - a - ting  
 4. Praise the Mak - er, Christ, and Spir - it, one God in com -



love, and peace, source and end of hu - man knowledge,  
 finds the lost, heals the sick, up - sets re - li - gion,  
 truth from pride, forg - ing bonds where race or gen - der,  
 mu - ni - ty, call ing Chris - tians to em - bod - y



God whose grace shall nev - er cease. Cel - e - brate the  
 fear - less both of fate and cost. Cel - e - brate Christ's  
 age or na - tion dare di - vide. Cel - e - brate the  
 one - ness in di - ver - si - ty. This the world shall



Mak - er's glo - ry, power to res - cue and re - lease.  
 con - stant pres - ence: Friend and stran - ger, guest and host.  
 Spir - it's trea - sure: Fool - ish - ness none dare de - ride.  
 see re - flect - ed: God is One and One - in - Three.



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# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them 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 our great delight to praise you, O God.

In the beginning of time,

your wisdom danced through creation,  
calling forth light and life.

Through wisdom,

you formed us in your image,  
calling us to love and serve you.

Foolishly we turned from you

and abandoned your ways of justice and mercy.

Yet you did not reject us,

but continued to call us and claim us as your own.

We were slaves in Egypt, and you freed us.

We were hungry and thirsty in the wilderness,

and you nourished us with manna  
and water from the rock.

We had no home,

and you led us into the land of your promise.

We worshiped idols of our own making,

and you called to us through the prophets  
to turn back to you.

At last you emptied yourself of power

and came to us as the child of Mary,  
holy God in frail and human flesh.

Therefore we praise you,

joining our voices with choirs of angels

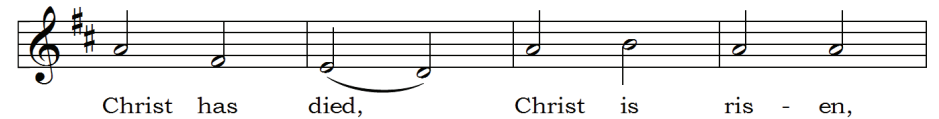
and with all the faithful of every time and place,

who forever sing to the glory of your name:



*Please be seated. The pastor continues leading the prayer, recalling the acts of Christ.*

...Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ,  
we proclaim together the mystery of faith:



*Pastor continues leading the prayer, asking God to pour out God's Holy Spirit on us and this meal.*

Come, then, life-giving Spirit,

brood over these bodily things

and make us into one body with Christ,

that we, who are baptized into his death,

may walk in newness of life;

that what is sown in dishonor may be raised in glory

and what is sown in weakness may be raised in power.

We praise you, O God,

blessed and holy Trinity,

now and forever.



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