

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sung by the celebrant to the tune of Hymn 593:

God be with you in all love.
Lift your hearts to God above.
It is right and good to give
our thanks and praise.
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power, God of love,
sing hosanna, Christ has come
in God's own name.

Refrain, sung by all:

Peo - ple need - ing, Spir - it lead - ing,
Je - sus feed - ing all who came to him.
Bread for tend - ing, cup for mend - ing,
Spir - it send - ing us to serve the world.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff contains the first two phrases, the second the next two, the third the next two, and the fourth the final phrase. The music uses a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some rests.

On the night his life was given,
Jesus took the bread of heaven.
Thanking God, he broke it all.
Remember me.
Then he took the common cup,
new forgiveness lifting up.
Thanking God, he gave to all.
Remember me.

Refrain

You may be seated.

We remember God in Christ,
holy, living sacrifice.
So like him, in thanks and praise,
our selves we give.
We embrace his mystery—
how he died and set us free.
As he rose; he'll come again.
In Christ we live.

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On these gifts of bread and wine
and your people in this place
pour your Spirit, gift divine,
giving us Christ.
By the Spirit, make us one,
one with Christ to serve the world,
that on earth your will be done
'till Christ shall come.

Refrain

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