FOR YOUR GENEROUS PROVIDING

1. For your generous providing,
2. Round your table, through your giving,

which sustains us all our days, for your Spirit
show us how to live and pray till your kingdom's

here residing, we proclaim our
way of living is the bread we

heart-felt praise. Through the depths of joy and sorrow,
share each day: bread for us and for our neighbor,

though the road be smooth or rough,
bread for body, mind, and soul,

fearless, we can face tomorrow,
bread of heav'n and human labor—

for your grace will be enough.
broken bread that makes us whole.

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Music: HOLY MANNA - William Moore
Blessing of Retirees

Jan Ashmos, retiring from The Succession Institute
Curt Ashmos, retiring from Locke, Lord LLP
Kevin Brashe, retiring from Intel Corporation
Mary Kathryn Kane, retiring from Drive a Senior
Randy Teich, retiring from Foundation for the Homeless

Today we celebrate the work of these who are part of our church family, and we welcome their deserved rest from the daily demands of work.

Retirement is a time of setting aside activities that have provided definition to much of your lives.

We are grateful for all that you have accomplished and the ways you have employed your gifts for these years.

In baptism,

we find our identity as a child of God, with gifts given by the Holy Spirit.

Those gifts do not diminish with retirement from employment.

We now look to the future as you offer yourself in new ways of serving God and your community.

Let us pray:

Gracious God,

we thank you for the work and witness of these servants, who have enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family.

Now bless and preserve them at this time of transition.

Day by day,

guide them and give them what is needed: friends to cheer the way and a clear vision of that to which you are now calling them.

By your Holy Spirit be present in their journey, that they may travel with the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessed be the God of Israel

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Music: FOREST GREEN - english folk tune; arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams