FOR YOUR GENEROUS PROVIDING

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Music: HOLY MANNA - William Moore

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.

Blessed be your name throughout the earth, Lord God,
for you have created wonders
and, from the beginning,
have drawn every living thing
into communion with you.

In the bounty of your creation
you fashioned land and sea,
sun and stars,
plants and animals,
that we might know the constancy of your love for us.

In covenant life
you drew a people to yourself
to give and receive love in your name.

In the fullness of time
you drew near to us in your Son,
to bind us to you in the promise of everlasting life.

In every time and place
you offer us brothers and sisters
with whom to live your ways
of forgiveness and grace.

In every age
you surround us with a great company of saints
that we might be bound to one another
in this world that you so love.

And so with the company of earth and heaven
we praise your name and join the unending hymn:
Please be seated. The pastor continues leading the prayer, recalling the acts of Christ.

...And so,
in remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, is risen, and Christ will come in victory. All glory be to you, O Christ. You are holy, Lord!

The pastor continues leading the prayer, asking God to pour out God’s Holy Spirit on us and this meal.

...Hasten the day when we who share Christ’s body will join with him in perfect and holy communion, in the everlasting embrace of the Holy Spirit, as you draw all things to yourself, now and forever.

A-men, a-men, a-men to Father, Son, and Spirit. Our hearts know how to say to You, You are holy, Lord!