

Welcome to
Holy Martyrs Catholic Church
June 21-22, 2025
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Saint Luke's Gospel tells us of the multiplication of the bread and fish after Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom and the healing of the sick. In fact, with these three gestures, the Church wants to remind us of the mission to which we are always called: the proclamation of the kingdom through the word, of Christ as the healer of our wounds through the sacraments, and of his sacrifice on the cross in the Eucharist, where Christ remains as our nourishment. We need to feed others, once we experience Christ's feeding of us, with his word and the bread of life that we have shared. As we celebrate this great solemnity today, we give thanks to the Father for the gift of his only Son, who, through the power of the Holy Spirit, makes himself present in our lives. He opens up paths of new hope at difficult times in our life and continuously feeds us during our journey. How conscious are we of the threefold actions found in today's Gospel? It would be worth trying to discern each of them separately.

TABLE OF PLENTY

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta-
 - ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we
 need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

Verses

1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and
 2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; I come to
 3. My bread will ev - er sus-tain you through days of
 4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will

1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and
 2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your
 3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of
 4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and

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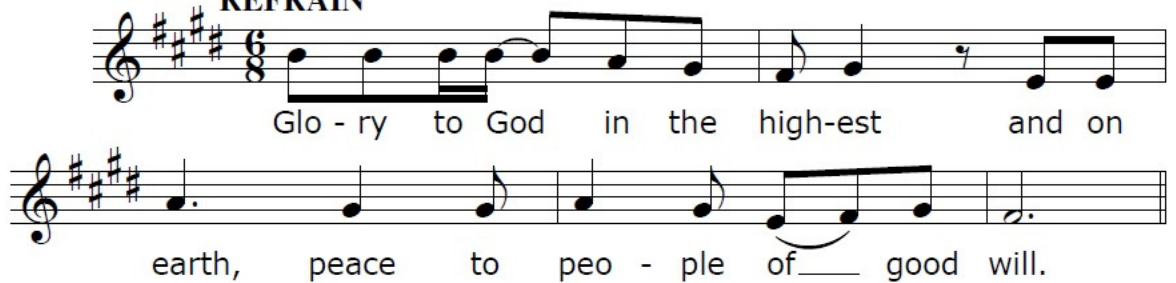
1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.
 2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.
 3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.
 4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

Lord have mercy –
 Christ have mercy –
 Lord have mercy.

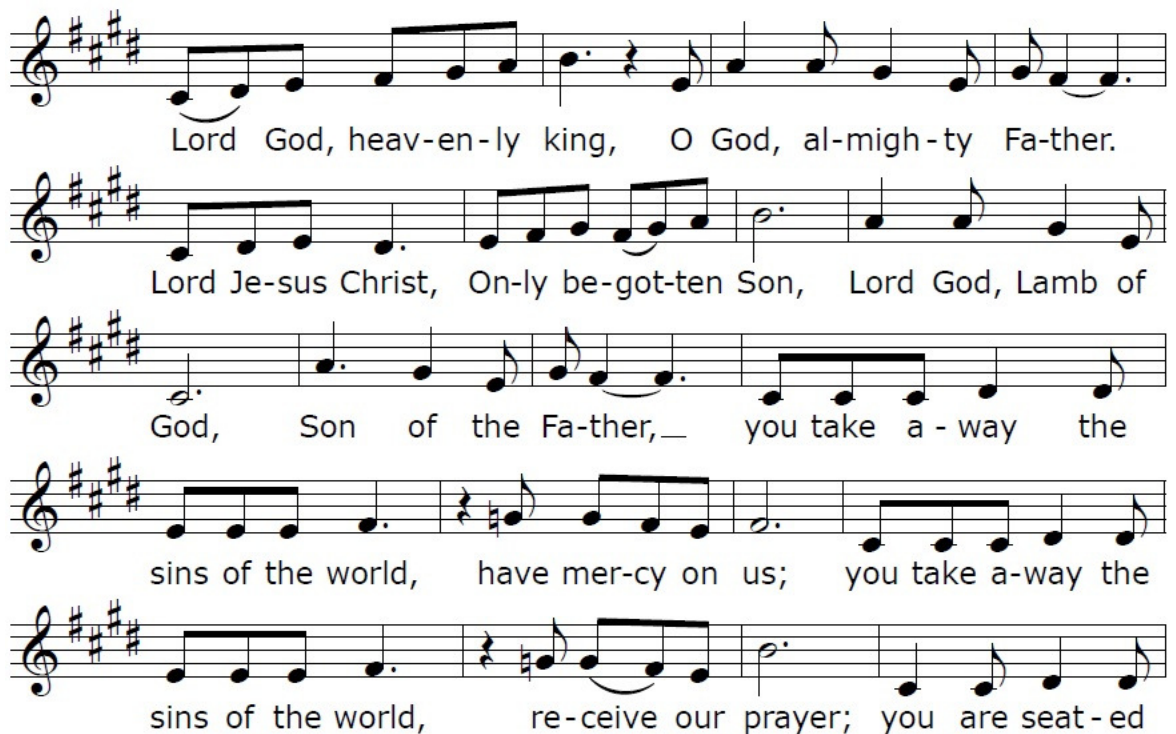
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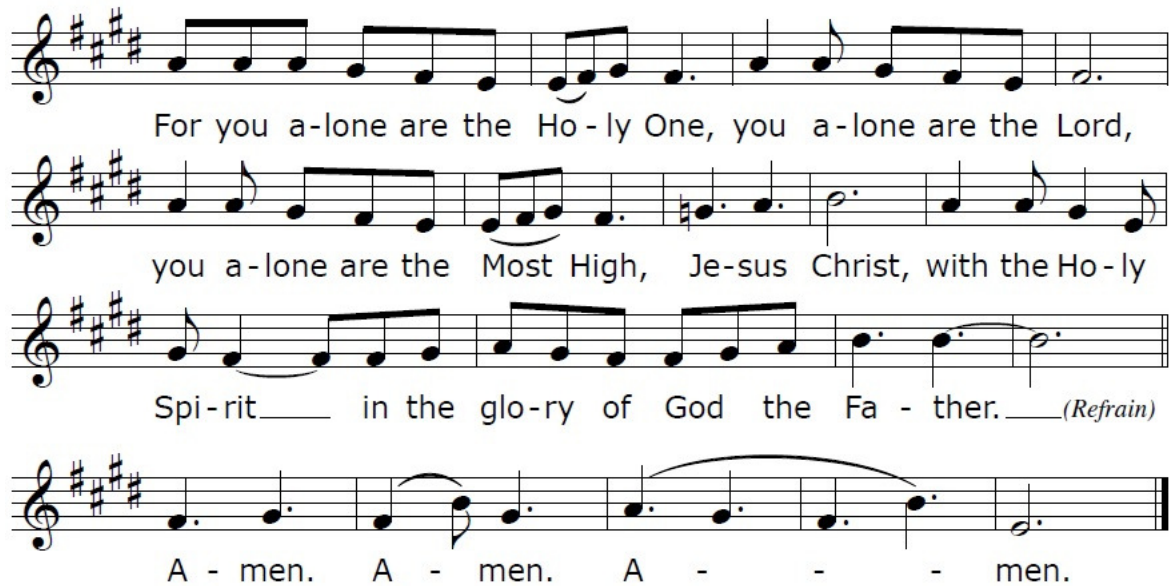


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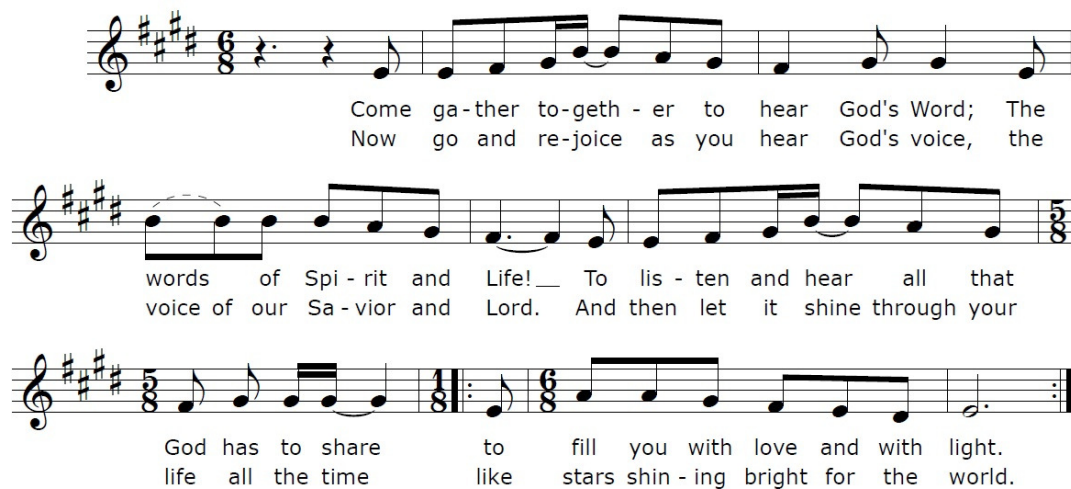


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Liturgy of the Word

(9:30am Children's Exit for the Word)



GENESIS

14:18-20

In those days, Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine, and being a priest of God Most High, he blessed Abram with these words:

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
the creator of heaven and earth;
and blessed be God Most High,
who delivered your foes into your hand."

Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

We
respond
with a
refrain
from

PSALM 110

Verses

1,2,3,4



You are a priest for-ev - er, in the line of Mel-chiz-e-dek.

*The LORD said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand
till I make your enemies your footstool."*

R.

*The scepter of your power the LORD will stretch forth from Zion:
"Rule in the midst of your enemies."*

R.

*"Yours is princely power in the day of your birth, in holy splendor;
before the daystar, like the dew, I have begotten you."*

R.

*The LORD has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."*

R.

1st CORINTHIANS

11: 23-26

Brothers and sisters:

I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Body And Blood Of Christ Sequence

*Many special days in the church are marked by the singing of a Sequence – a liturgical poem set to music to mark the occasion.
Let's join in the Sequence "Lauda Sion" – written by St. Thomas Aquinas around the year 1264.*

*Cantor: Full and clear ring out your chanting, **Congregation: Joy nor sweetest grace be wanting,***

Cantor: From your heart let praises burst:

*Cantor: For today the feast is holden **Congregation: When the institution olden***

Cantor: Of that supper was rehearsed.

*Cantor: What he did at supper seated, **Congregation: Christ ordained to be repeated,***

Cantor: His memorial ne'er to cease:

*Cantor: And his rule for guidance taking, **Congregation: Bread and wine we hallow, making***

Cantor: Thus our sacrifice of peace.

*Cantor: This the truth each Christian learns, **Congregation: Bread into his flesh he turns,***

Cantor: To his precious blood the wine:

*Cantor: Sight has failed, nor thought conceives, **Congregation: But a dauntless faith believes,***

Cantor: Resting on a power divine.

*Cantor: Here beneath these signs are hidden, **Congregation: Priceless things to sense forbidden***

Cantor: Signs, not things are all we see:

*Cantor: Blood is poured and flesh is broken, **Congregation: Yet in either wondrous token***

Cantor: Christ entire we know to be.

*Cantor: Very bread, good shepherd, tend us, **Congregation: Jesus, of your love befriend us***

*Cantor: You refresh us, you defend us, **Congregation: Your eternal goodness send us***

Cantor: In the land of life to see

*Cantor: Amen! Alleluia! **Congregation: Amen! Alleluia!***



**I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.**

LUKE
CH 9
Vs 11-17

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You , Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily * Prayers of the People

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1: to Verse 2
2: to Bridge



Bridge

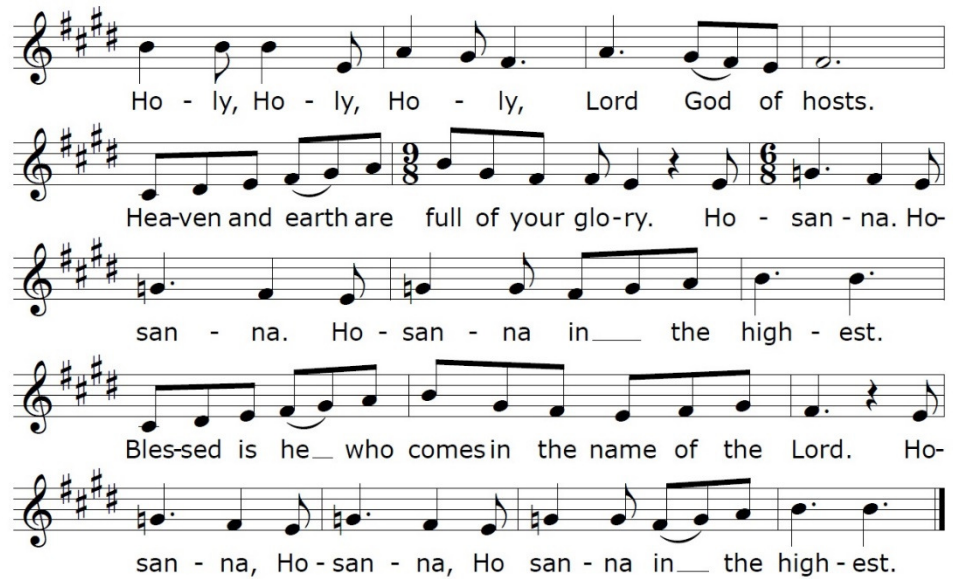
we are sent in love,
empowered by your Bread of Life. **(to Refrain)**

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People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church

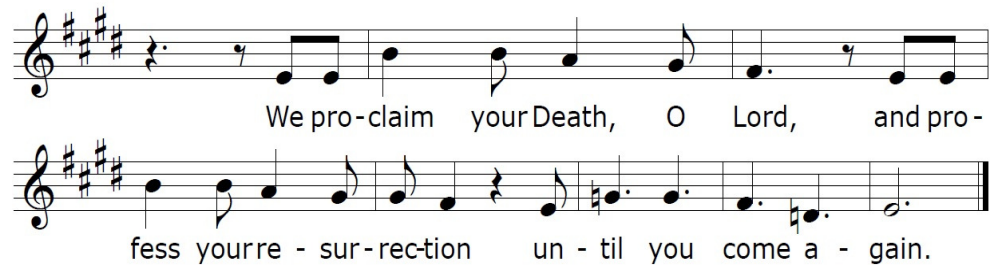
The Lord be with you – **And with your spirit.**
Lift up your hearts - **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God – **It is right and just.**

The Priest, in the name of the whole of the holy people, glorifies God the Father in a prayer and gives thanks to God for the whole work of salvation.



As part of the Eucharistic prayer, we acclaim our faith together.

The mystery of faith



We respond to the entire Eucharistic prayer

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God Almighty Father, in unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.



The Lord's Prayer

**Agnus Dei qui
tollis peccata
mundi**

**Miserere
nobis**

**Dona Nobis
Pacem**



Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**A prayer for all
unable to
physically be
here today.**

Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

**This music plays
in the
background as
Eucharistic
Ministers receive
communion**

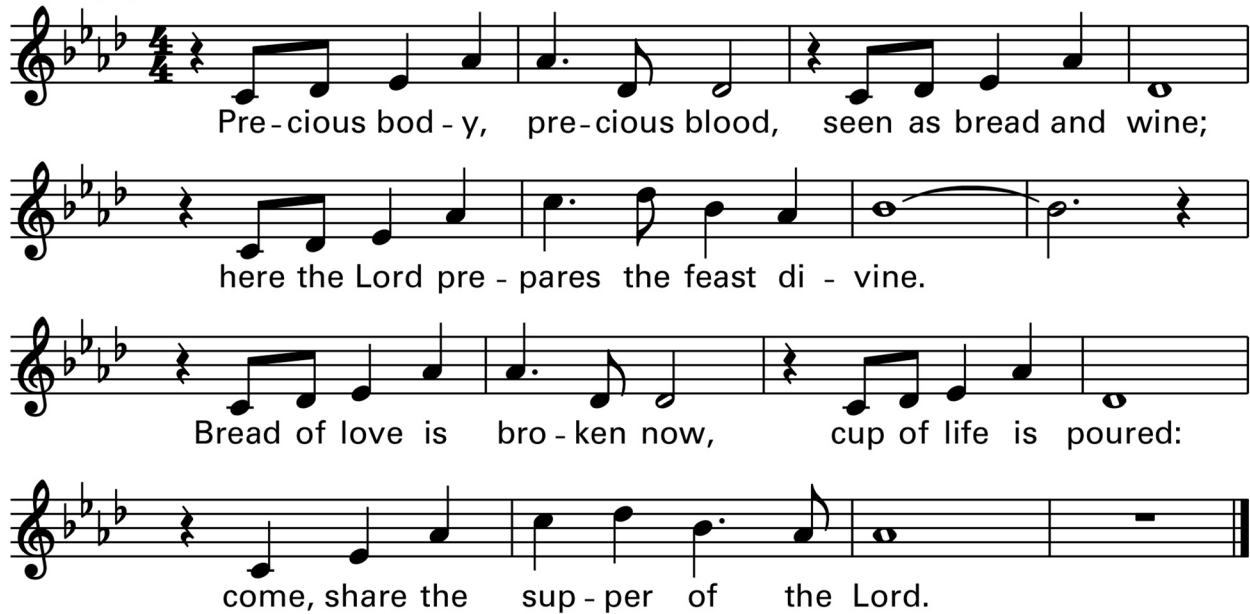
Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui:
Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui:
Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Humbly let us voice our homage for so great a sacrament.
Let all former rites surrender to the Lord's New Testament.
What our senses fail to fathom, let us grasp through faith's consent

THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

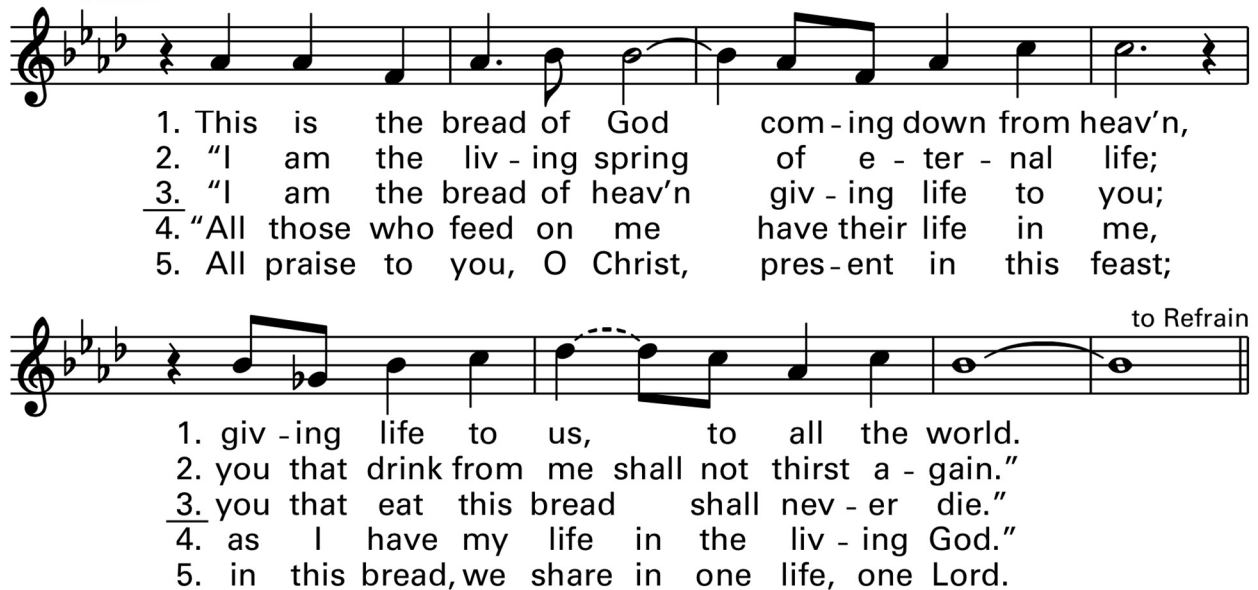
Laurence Rosania

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Pre-cious bod - y, pre-cious blood, seen as bread and wine;
 here the Lord pre - pares the feast di - vine.
 Bread of love is bro - ken now, cup of life is poured:
 come, share the sup - per of the Lord.

Verses



1. This is the bread of God com - ing down from heav'n,
 2. "I am the liv - ing spring of e - ter - nal life;
 3. "I am the bread of heav'n giv - ing life to you;
 4. "All those who feed on me have their life in me,
 5. All praise to you, O Christ, pres - ent in this feast;

to Refrain

1. giv - ing life to us, to all the world.
 2. you that drink from me shall not thirst a - gain."
 3. you that eat this bread shall nev - er die."
 4. as I have my life in the liv - ing God."
 5. in this bread, we share in one life, one Lord.

Text: Verses 1-4 based on John 4, 6.

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1. Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing,
 2. With praise and thanks-giv - ing To God who is liv - ing,

1. The peo - ple of God from this dwell-ing take leave.
 2. The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we em - brace.

1. God's sac - ri - fice end - ed, O now be ex - tend - ed
 2. Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,

1. The fruits of this Mass in all hearts who be - lieve.
 2. We claim as our fam - 'ly all those of each race.

1. The seed of Christ's teach-ing, Our in - ner souls reach-ing,
 2. One bread that has fed us, One light that has led us

1. Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 2. U - nite us as one in the life that we share.

1. God's grace shall in - cite us, In love shall u - nite us
 2. Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks-giv - ing

1. To fur - ther God's king - dom and an - swer the call.
 2. Give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997
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Traditional Welsh folk melody