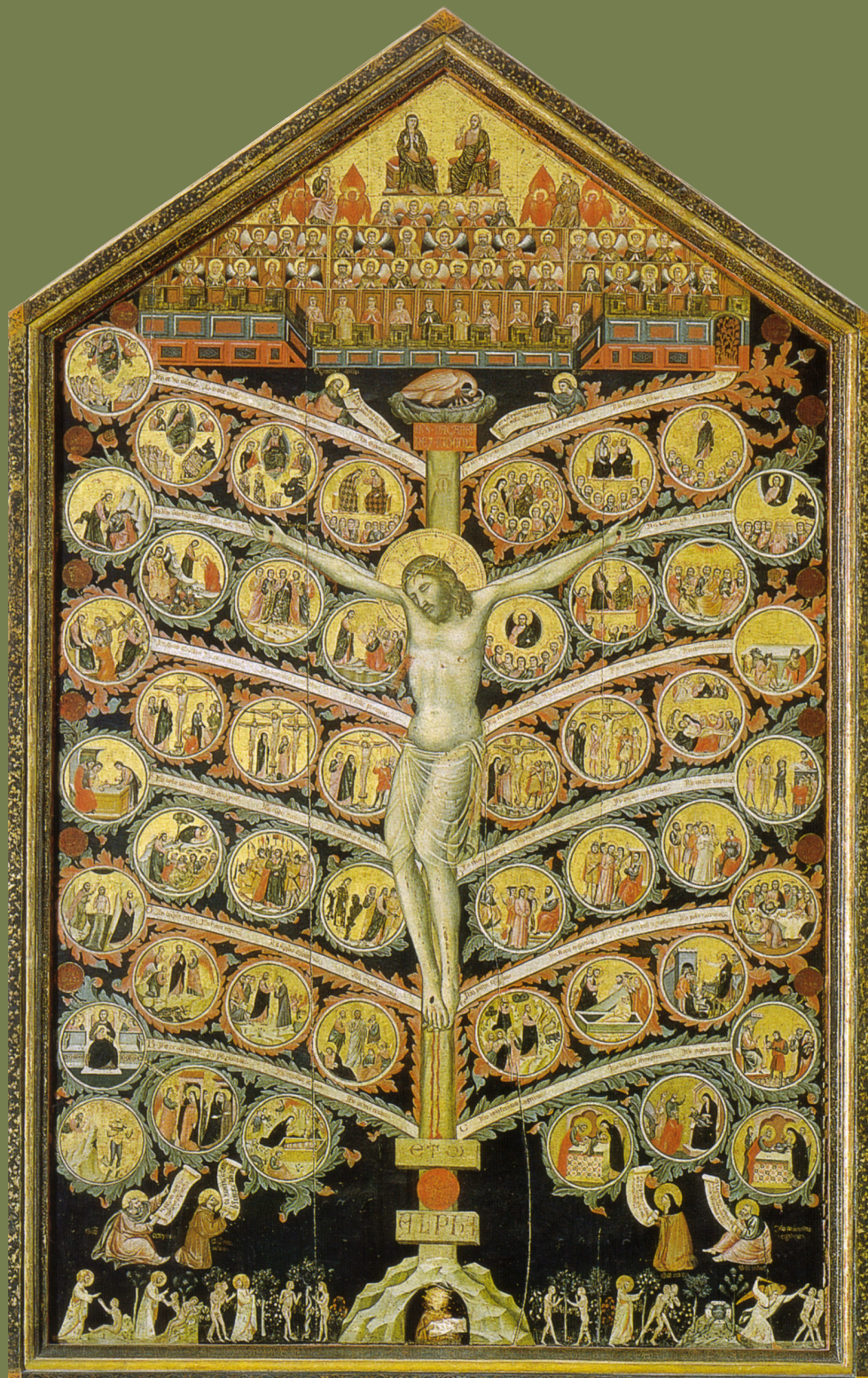


Saint Cecilia

P A R I S H



GOOD FRIDAY

COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

APRIL 18TH, 2025

18 April 2025

GOOD FRIDAY

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

PROCESSION

The priest enters in silence and prostrates himself before the altar.

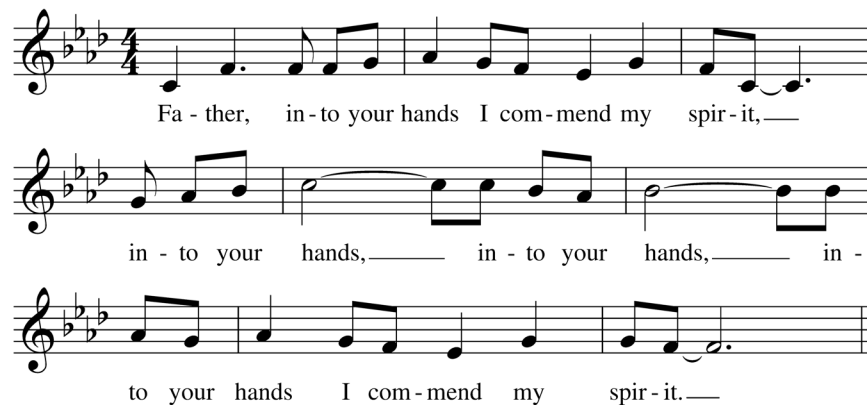
We invite you to kneel and pray silently.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING | Isaiah 52: 13- 53: 12

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 31: Into Your Hands

Tony E. Alonso




1. In you, O Lord, I take refuge. Let me never be put to shame. In your justice, set me free. Into your hands I commend my spirit. You will redeem me, O Lord, O faithful God.
2. Because of all my foes I have become a reproach, an object of scorn to my neighbors and of fear to my friends. Those who see me in the street flee from me. I am forgotten, like someone dead and have become a broken vessel.
3. But as for me, I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God. My lot is in your hands, deliver me from the hands of my enemies and those who pursue me."
4. "Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love."
Be strong, let your heart take courage, all who hope in the Lord.


SECOND READING | Hebrews 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Mass of Christ, Light of the Nations

Tony E. Alonso



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Lent: Glo-ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Glo-ry to you, Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST | John 18: 1-19:42

HOMILY

SOLEMN INTERCESSIONS

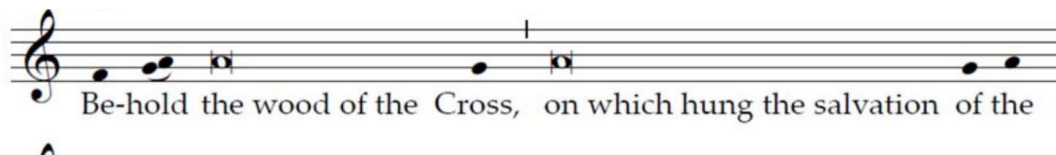
Response:




Let us pray to the Lord, *All: Lord hear our prayer.*

THE ADORATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

THE SHOWING OF THE HOLY CROSS



Be-hold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the



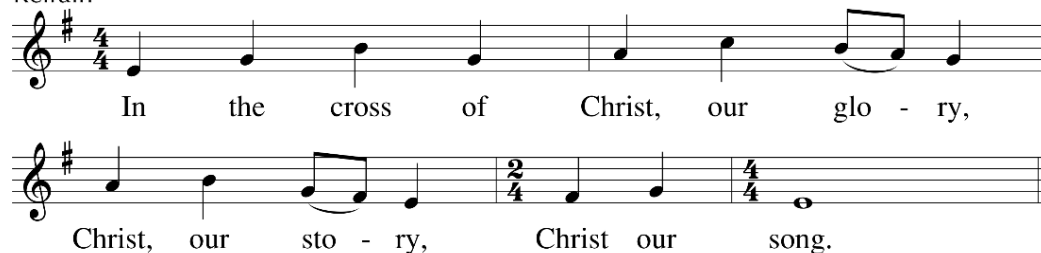
world. **R.** Come, let us a-dore.

We invite those present in the church to come forward and venerate the cross with a simple genuflection (one knee), bow or by making the sign of the cross before it. For those not able to worship with us in person, we invite you to use this time to venerate a cross in your home.

In the Cross of Christ

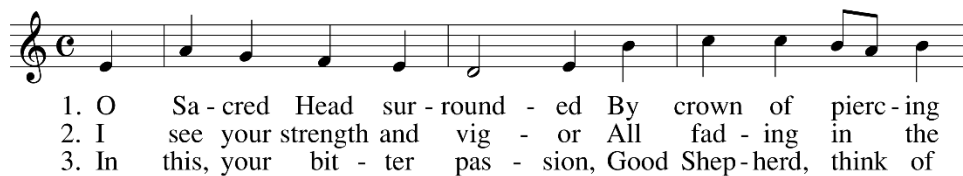
Marty Haugen

Refrain

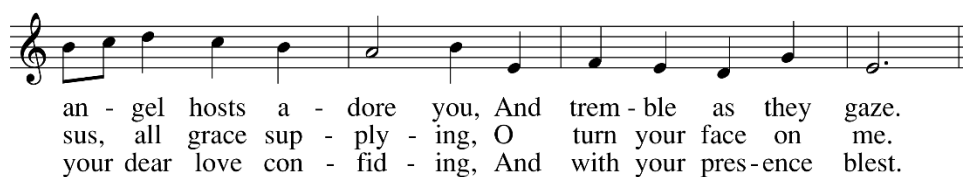
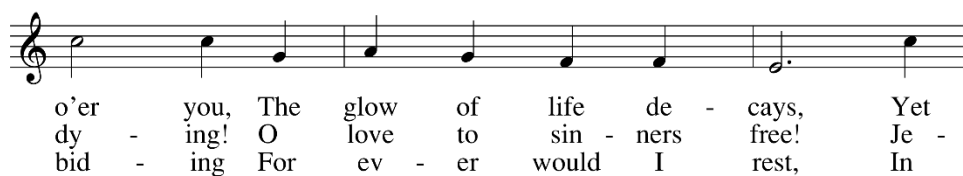
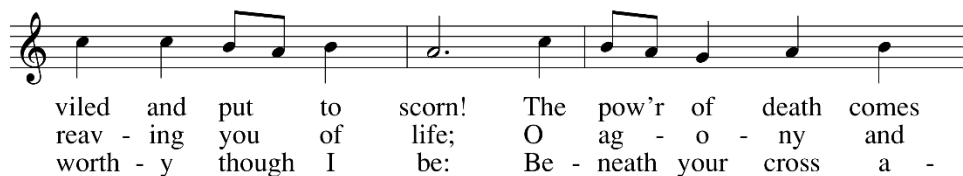
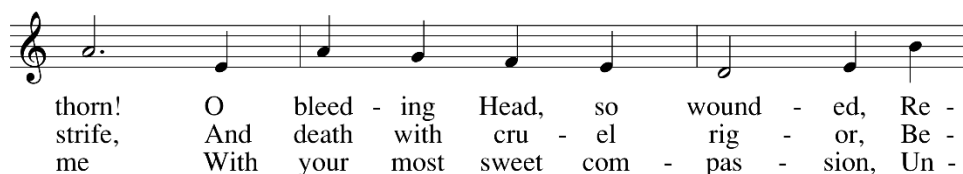


O Sacred Head Surrounded

PASSION CHORALE



2. I see your strength and vig - or All fad - ing in the
3. In this, your bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep - herd, think of



What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE



1. What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?
2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;



What won - drous love is this, O my soul?
 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;



What won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
 To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be,



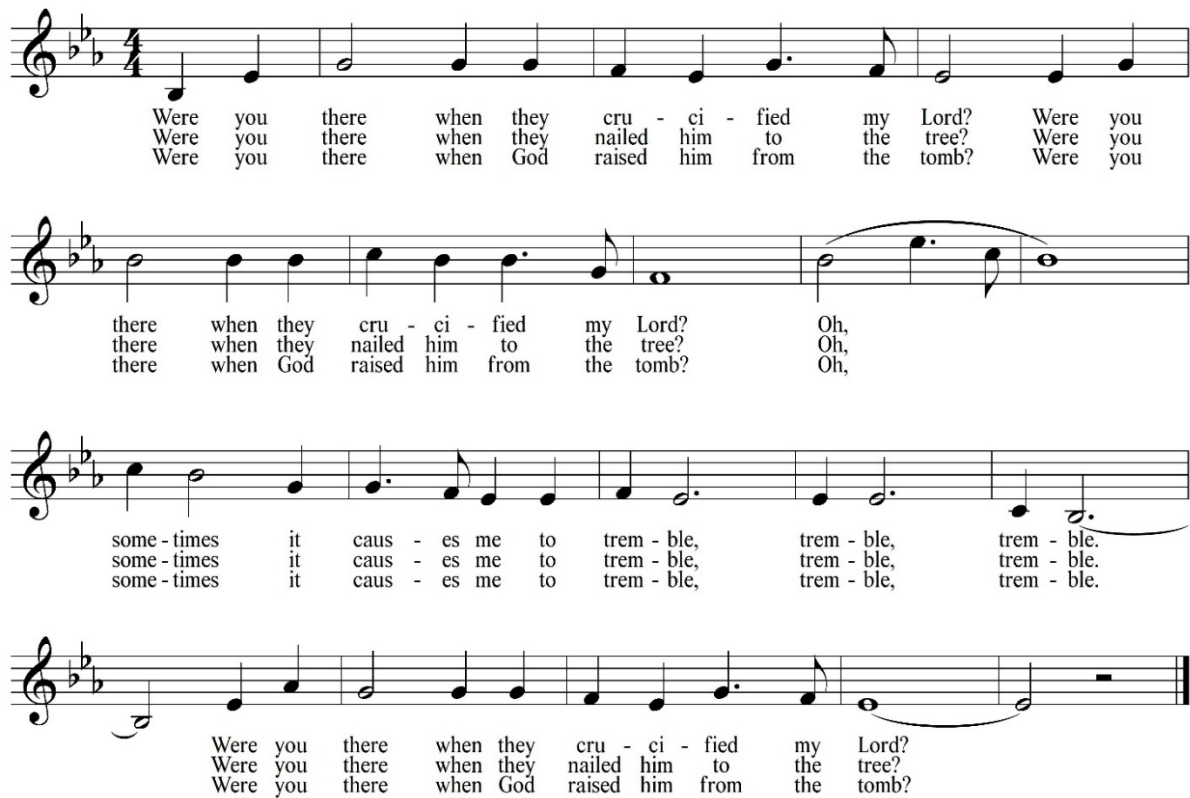
To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my soul;
 While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
 And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on!



To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul?
 While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
 And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Were You There?

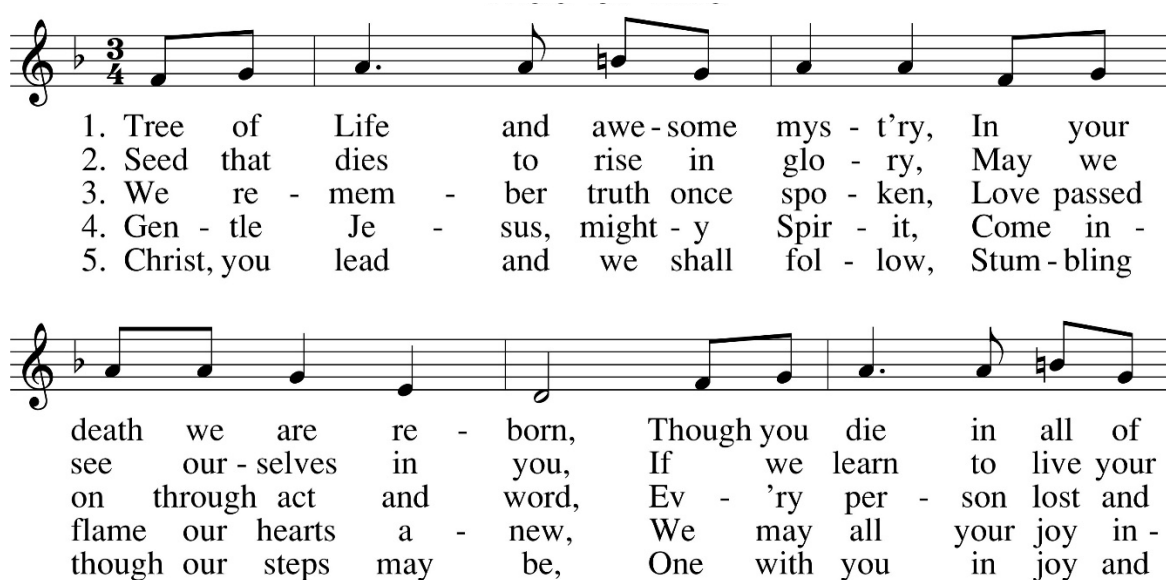
Traditional African American Spiritual



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied to my Lord? Were you
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
 there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh, Oh, Oh,
 some - times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.
 some - times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.
 some - times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble.
 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied to my Lord?
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Tree of Life

Marty Haugen



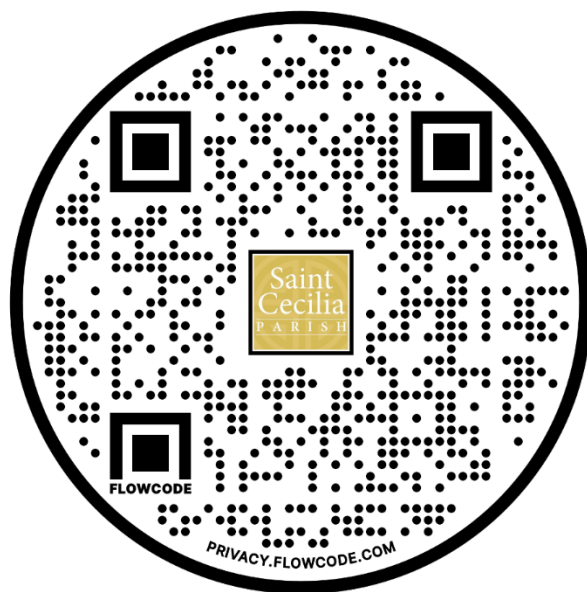
1. Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, In your
 2. Seed that dies to rise in glo - ry, May we
 3. We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, Love passed
 4. Gen - tle Je - sus, might - y Spir - it, Come in -
 5. Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, Stum - bling
 death we are re - born, Though you die in all of
 see our - selves in you, If we learn to live your
 on through act and word, Ev - 'ry per - son lost and
 flame our hearts a - new, We may all your joy in -
 though our steps may be, One with you in joy and

his - t'ry, Still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, Still you
sto - ry We may die to rise a - new, We may
bro - ken Wears the bod - y of our Lord, Wears the
her - it If we bear the cross with you, If we
sor - row, We the riv - er, you the sea, We the

rise with ev - 'ry morn.
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riv - er, you the sea.

OFFERTORY

Today's collection is designated for the support of the Holy Land. The church has asked all parishes to contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection which helps fund the upkeep and maintenance of Holy Land shrines and supports pastoral, charitable, and educational works for Christians in the Middle East. To contribute, please cut and paste this link in your browser: <https://www.osvhub.com/stceciliaboston/giving/funds/good-friday-2025-holy-land> or use the Flowcode below. Thank you for your generosity.



HOLY COMMUNION

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

The altar is covered with a cloth and prepared. Please stand when the Blessed Sacrament, which has been reserved from the Holy Thursday liturgy, is brought to the altar in silence.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

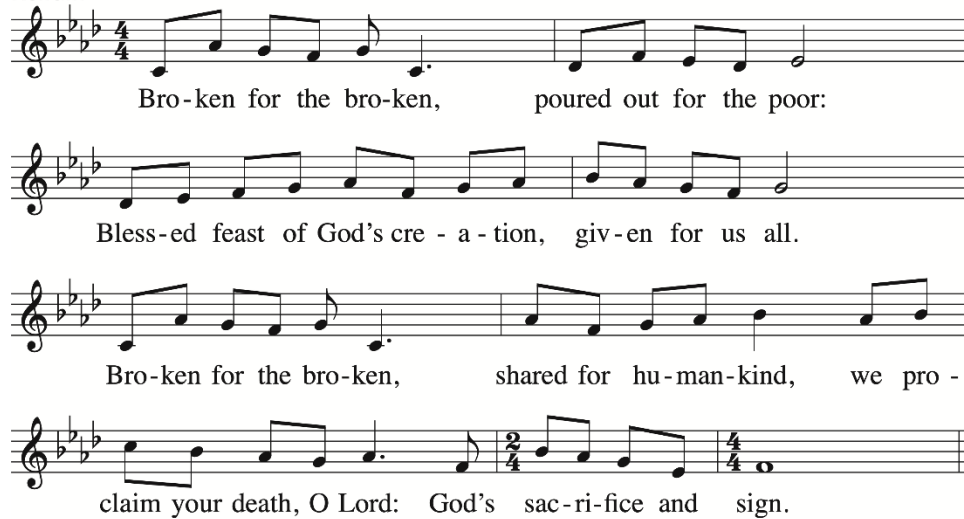
SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

It is a long-held Catholic belief that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an "Act of Spiritual Communion." When we are unable to be physically present at the celebration of the Eucharist, the church invites Catholics to say this prayer as a source of grace. We can be assured that when we express our desire to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, God will be with us spiritually in a special way. Here is an Act of Spiritual Communion that we encourage you to pray as you participate in our live-streamed liturgies:

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Loving Jesus,
I believe that you
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Refrain




Bro-ken for the bro-ken, poured out for the poor:

Bless-ed feast of God's cre - a - tion, giv-en for us all.

Bro-ken for the bro-ken, shared for hu-man-kind, we pro -

claim your death, O Lord: God's sac-ri-fice and sign.

Verses



1. For the hun - gry ones,	for the thirst - y ones,
2. For the ones a - bused,	for the ones con-fused,
3. For the voice-less ones,	for the help-less ones,
4. For the wound-ed ones,	for the shat-tered ones,
5. For the ones in chains,	for the ones in fear,
6. For the ail - ing ones,	for the hurt - ing ones,
7. As we break this bread,	as we take this cup,
8. As we trust your word,	as we live your way,
9. Change our hearts, O Lord,	give us will - ing hearts,

for the lone - ly ones, you call us to serve, to be
for the ones re-fused, you call us to love, to be
for the home-less ones, you call us to speak, to be
for the ti - red ones, you call us to help, to be
for the ones in debt, you call us to give, to be
for the dy - ing ones, you call us to care, to be
as we share this meal, you call us to change, to be
as we walk by faith, you call us to share, to be
hearts that rec - og - nize the cour - age to serve and share

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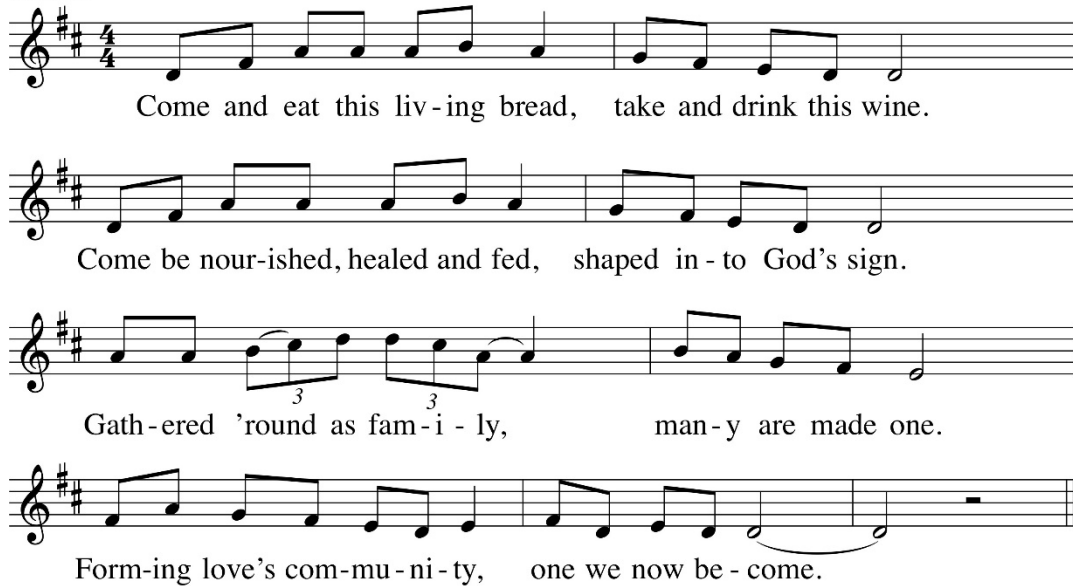
1.-8. Christ for each oth - er, bro - ken for the world.

9. Christ with each oth - er, bro - ken for the world.

Come and Eat This Living Bread

ADORO TE DEVOTE

Refrain



The musical notation for the Refrain is written on a single staff in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics underneath. The first line has two measures, the second and third lines have two measures each, and the fourth line has two measures. The melody is simple and melodic, with some triplets indicated by a '3' over the notes.

Come and eat this liv - ing bread, take and drink this wine.

Come be nour - ished, healed and fed, shaped in - to God's sign.

Gath - ered 'round as fam - i - ly, man - y are made one.

Form - ing love's com - mu - ni - ty, one we now be - come.

Verses

1. Saint and sinner welcome in to this meal of harmony.
Lonely people, next of kin journey toward the glory tree.
Gathered strangers, scattered sheep, at this table all are fed.
Blood and body bonds run deep as your kingdom feast is spread.
2. May we see the Christ revealed in the breaking of the bread.
Living stories, holy meals, we become what we are fed.
Broken shattered, fragile life, now received by you and me.
Eating, drinking, joy and strife, Gospel living sets us free.
3. See the Christ in saddened sighs, blood poured out in every land.
Wounded people, wailing cries lie upon our outstretched hands.
Jesus is the way through death; truth beyond the present rage.
Life unfolding, healing breath now enfleshed in youth and age.
4. Bless us, Lord, and these your gifts, fruit of vine and human hands.
With our hearts and minds we lift all the goodness of these lands.
Praise and thanks we shout and sing, from your bounty we are blessed.
Joyfully all gifts we bring to receive our Lord and guest.
5. Death and life in water meet, drenching us in floods of light.
Marking us with oil so sweet, clothing us in glorious white.
Priest and prophet, spirit led, we are God's new living sign.
Feeding on this holy bread, drinking of this holy wine.
6. Witnessing to love and peace, hands of blessing we remain.
Helping fear and hate to cease, we bring forth God's wondrous reign.
Strength and power here we find, given in this kingdom feast.
We go forth to heal and sign everyone, both great and least.

COMMUNION MEDITATION | Nearer My God to Thee

Dan Forrest
(b. 1978)

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee,
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me.
Still all my song shall be nearer, my God, to Thee.

Oh, let the way appear, leading to heaven,
All that Thou sendest me, in mercy given.
Thy Spirit beckons me, nearer, my Go to Thee.

There is my Father's home, safe and at rest,
There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest.
Age after age to be nearer, my God to Thee!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

*We invite you to keep a few moments of silence following this evening's liturgy.
After genuflecting to the Cross, all depart in silence.*

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