

## INVITATION TO THE HOLY COMMUNION

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### THE COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: God is with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to God.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the One Most High.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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places...

.....We take courage from the abiding presence of your Holy Spirit in our  
midst. We offer you our praise for people of every age who stand as  
witnesses to your love and justice. With all the prophets, martyrs, saints,  
and all the company of heaven, we glorify you, and sing:

*(Response in song)*

**Holy, holy, holy, God Ruler All Loving: heaven and earth are full of your  
glory. Glory be to you, O God. Blessed is the one who comes, who comes  
in the name of God. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Pastor:** (continues) We remember that on the night of betrayal and  
desertions, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave  
it to his disciples, saying: "This is my body which is broken for you. Do this  
in remembrance of me." By eating this bread and drinking this cup,  
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### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor: The table of Jesus, our Lord, is open to all...  
The gifts of God for the people of God.  
Come, for all things are ready.

*The people may come forward to receive the bread and cup. Please hold the cup until all have been served so we might commune together when all have returned to their pews.*

*During the communion of the people, we sing together:*

During the communion, we sing together:

### TABLE OF PLENTY

Dan Schutt

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.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison)

Pastor & Congregation:

We give thanks to you, Jesus, Bread of life,  
we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love and serve the world.  
In your name we pray.  
-Amen.

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