The night Christ was betrayed to us this meal he gave. First he took and broke the bread. Life! Life! At God's table they were fed. Then he shared the loving cup. Forgiving us, he raised us up. **"Feast, and think of me. Feast, and think of me."** 

Remembering these mighty acts, to You, O God, we offer back Holy, living sacrifice: Thanks! Thanks! Full of joy, commit our lives. We proclaim the mystery: Christ died, but rose in victory. Christ will come again! Christ will come again!

On bread and cup outpour Your Holy Spirit, Lord. Make these gifts become for us Christ! Christ! We, his body, him, our life. By this meal we are redeemed and by this grace we are set free. Jesus makes us one! Jesus makes us one!

Prayer after Communion:

The dark to light gives way, Bright Dawn of all our days! Journey with us as we leave, Star! Star! People of the Star are we! Now we travel other roads to shine Your light where'er we go Overwhelmed with joy! Overwhelmed with joy!

## <u>Psalm 29</u>

.<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. <sup>2</sup>Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor. <sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thunders, the LORD, upon many waters. <sup>4</sup> The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty. <sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars: the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon. <sup>6</sup> The Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf and Sirion like a young wild ox. <sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire. <sup>8</sup> The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness: the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. <sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl and strips the forest bare, and in his temple all cry, "Glory!" <sup>10</sup> The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as Ruler forever. <sup>11</sup> May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

## Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup> Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So, the evening and the morning were the first day.

## St Mark 1:4-11

<sup>4</sup> John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. <sup>5</sup> Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to him and were all baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup> Now John was clothed with camel's hair and with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup> And he preached, saying, "There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose. <sup>8</sup> I indeed baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." <sup>9</sup> It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> Then a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

## A Sung Communion Liturgy for Epiphany

(tune: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice")

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice! Lift your hearts unto the Lord. Praise! Praise! Praise our God forevermore! Radiant star that shines so bright: Jesus Christ, the world's light! Praise God evermore! Praise God evermore!

We're in Your image made; to us this world You gave. Yet, we turned our hearts from You. Woe! Woe! Set against the good we knew. Still Your love remained steadfast. You beckoned us to walk your path. Jesus lights the way! Jesus lights the way!

To table we've been called: Come one, come now, come all! Here we share the feast of grace! Love! Love! Here, for everyone a place! He breaks the power of cancelled sin and darkness quenched, the light pours in. God-with-us revealed! God-with-us revealed!

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Holy, Holy, Holy Lord! Joy! Joy! Prince of Peace, Living Word! Blessed be the child who comes in God's name, the Promised One! Praise God's holy name! Praise God's holy name!