

Minister: (Holding the Cup)  
Take and drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed, that you might know life, and be thankful.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving



### The Administration:

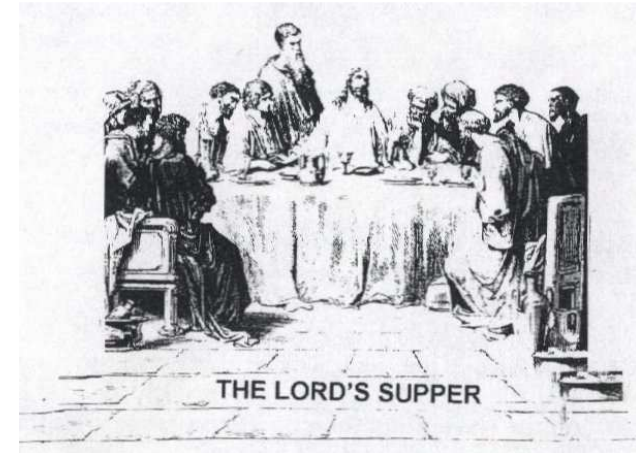
Minister: Now let us hear the words of Jesus, and take them to heart along with those of the Apostle Paul,

**All: In a very little while the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me, because I am really alive and you will be alive too.**

**I will ask the Father and He will give you another Helper to stay with you forever.  
You will find trouble in the world but never lose heart. I have conquered the world.  
He was given over to die because of our sins and was raised to life to put us right with God. There is no condemnation for those who live in union with Christ Jesus. If God is for us, who can be against us?  
No in all these things we win an overwhelming victory through Him who has proved His love for us.**

Minister: In Christian Fellowship we have met and broken bread,

**All: We part now to meet again until He comes. AMEN.**



Minister: This Holy Custom, the Lord's Supper was instituted by Jesus Christ. It speaks of a happening in the past that cannot be confined to the relics of time. The Passover meal of the Old Testament represented God's deliverance of His people. He brought them out of the slavery of Egypt into freedom. People were still oppressed though with moral and spiritual blindness. Their lives were bound like captives to human sin, darkness and death.

God prepared a way to freedom and life, Jesus was called the One who had come to save His people from their sins. Jesus said Himself. "I am the Good Shepherd; the Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep."

**All: A death and resurrection has taken place for us, therefore we celebrate nothing less than the truth of our own death and resurrection. A present living experience we enjoy in Christ.**

Minister: On the night of His betrayal and arrest, the night before His crucifixion, Jesus met with His disciples that He might break bread with them.

**All: We need to hear the words of Jesus**

Minister: I have looked forward to this with deep longing, anxious to eat this Passover meal with you before my suffering begins. For I tell you now that I will not eat with you again until what I represents has occurred in the Kingdom of God.

**All: Then He took a loaf and after thanking God He broke it and gave it to them with these words:**

Minister: "This is my body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of me."

**All: So too, He gave them the cup after supper with the words:**

Minister: This is God's New Agreement made in my own blood which is shed for you."

We have faith now in the fact of His death complete and past. We have faith now in the promise that we share His life and victory forever.

Depending upon these truths until Jesus comes we remember the following:

**All: If I eat this bread and drink of this cup I confront the boundless love of God. He did not spare His own Son. Having loved me, He gave Himself for me.**

Minister: Those who are his, love Him because He loved them first.

**All: If I eat this bread and drink of this cup I claim that Christ's work is complete. The full cost of my sin has been met. I do not need to be bound by guilt or fear. My conscience is free to sense and to be guided by the Holy Spirit.**

Minister: Those who are His have peace with God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

**All If I eat of this bread and drink of this cup I declare the truth of Christ's Lordship over life and the powers of darkness. Now He has a claim to my life and death has no victory over me. I am expectant of His coming again.**

Minister: Those who are His. Live with His words. "I am coming again to welcome you into my own home, so that you may be where I am."

### **How do we approach this Table?**

We need to know true sorrow and a desire to change our ways, a trust in Jesus Christ as our only Saviour, a willingness to accept Him as Lord of the details of our lives.

If we desire to share in all that this Table means, then making the prayer that follows our very own, we say together.

**All: Prayer:  
O God I do not dare to come to this Table trusting in my own goodness.  
I come not because I am strong, but because in my frailty bearing the stains of sin. You have invited me to trust in Jesus Christ.  
With empty hands, I now receive this bread and wine as living symbols of the way I receive God's forgiveness and the new life of Christ.**

Minister: (Holding the Bread)  
Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ's body was broken for you, that you might be whole, and be thankful