

COME FOLLOW ME - M1 9:9

Gathering Song: The God of All Grace

Refrain: The God of all grace has blessed us this day,

All of creation join us in praise; lifting our voices, lifting our hearts

To the glory of God forever!

1. God of power and might, come into our presence this day. Strengthen us now with a spirit of faith: we gather in you name!

2. God of mercy and truth, bring us from night into day.

Nourish our lives with a spirit of hope and shield us from all fear!

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Responsorial Psalm:

"Happy are they who hope in God."

Preparation of the Gifts: As A Fire Is Meant for Burning (G 744)

- 1. As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame, So the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name. As we witness to the gospel, we would build a bridge of care, Joining hands across the nations, finding neighbors everywhere.
- 2. We are learners, we are teachers, we are pilgrims on the way. We are seekers, we are givers; we are vessels made of clay. By our gentle, loving actions, we would show that Christ is light. In a humble, list'ning Spirit, we would live to God's delight.

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Communion Song: Gather in Your Name (G 936)

Refrain: When two or more gather in your name, and see your presence in each face, we treasure the gift of this sacred meal, blessed and poured out for all in this place.

- 1. Bread, the gift of your body. Wine, your life blood out poured. Come, join the feast! Take and believe! Become what you receive!
- 2. Bread, our light and our life. Wine, our truth and our way. Come, join the feast! Take and believe! Become what you receive!
- 3. Bread, your manna from heaven. Wine, the fruit of your heart. Come, join the feast! Take and believe! Become what you receive!
- 4. Bread, your myst'ry before us. Wine, the hope of our dreams. Come, join the feast! Take and believe! Become what you receive!
- 5. Bread, the path for our journey. Wine, of wisdom and grace.

 Come, join the feast! Take and believe! Become what you receive!

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Closing Song: God Sends Us Forth (G 759)

- 1. God sends us forth to love and serve, Make known God's name and live God's word, Mirror God's love, reflect God's grace Till all have seen the Savior's face.
- 2. Nourished by Christ, our Word and Bread, Burning with love and Spirit led, Sent to embrace a world in need, To make God known in word and deed.
- 3. Called to the ones the world ignores –
 Hungry and thirsty, weak and poor –
 Let us bear Christ, who heals all pain
 And comforts those bowed down by shame.
- 4. So, with the cross to lead the way
 Let us go forth in peace today,
 And to the ends of earth make known
 The saving love our God has shown.



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