

St. Matthew

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

COME FOLLOW ME - Mt 9:9.

Gathering Song: City of God

1. Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

Refrain: Let us build the city of God.
May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love,
has turned the night into day.

2. We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The One who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be
A light for His people to set their hearts free. (refrain)

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Responsorial Psalm:

“Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.” (repeat)

Preparation of the Gifts: I Have Loved You (G 588)

Refrain: I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you
and you are mine; I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have
called you, and you are mine.

1. Seek the face of the Lord and long for him; he will bring you his light and
his peace.

Text: Jeremiah 31:3, Psalm 24:3, Michael Joncas, b. 1951

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Communion Song: Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup

Refrain: Life-giving Bread, saving Cup, we offer in thanksgiving, O God.
Life-giving Bread, saving Cup, we offer as a sign of our love.

1. For bread that is broken, we give thanks,
For wine that is poured we give praise.
For life and for knowledge of the kingdom:
All praise to you until the end of time!
2. We thank you, O Father, for your name,
Which you give to dwell in our hearts.
You bring us together as one fam'ly:
All praise to you until the end of time!
3. Creator of all, we offer thanks;
You give us a share in your life.
You strengthen our body and our spirit:
All praise to you until the end of time!
4. Remember your church which sings your praise;
Perfect it in truth and in love.
And gather your people all together
To praise you until the end of time!

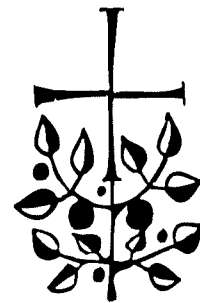
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Closing Song: God Sends Us Forth (G 759)

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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