



# St. Matthew

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

COME FOLLOW ME — MT 9:9

### **Gathering Song: Coming Together for Wine and for Bread (G 836)**

1. Coming together for wine and for bread,  
tasting the story and hearing it read,  
Knowing our hunger and sharing the meal,  
Opens our eyes to see Jesus is real.
2. Who will be hungry, if hearing the call,  
We offer seats at our banquet to all?  
Who is forgotten, whom will we ignore?  
Who is the outcast that knocks at our door?
3. Here at this table we're welcomed by name;  
All are invited, each seat is the same.  
Serving, receiving, and eating the feast,  
Humbles the haughty and honors the least.
4. Blessing this table the Spirit is here, Granting us vision, so suddenly clear:  
Sharing and serving, the body is fed,  
Nourished by Jesus, the Wine and the Bread (repeat line).

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### **Readings found at G 1104**

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

“The Lord is kind and merciful. The Lord is kind and merciful.”

### **Preparation of the Gifts: You Are Near (G 695)**

Refrain: O Lord, I know you are near, standing always at my side.  
You guard me from the foe,  
And you lead me in ways everlasting.

1. Lord, you have searched my heart,  
And you know when I sit and when I stand.  
Your hand is upon me, protecting me from death,  
Keeping me from harm.

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## Communion Song: Take and Eat (G 950)

Refrain: Take and eat; take and eat: this is my body given up for you.  
Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;  
I am the seed that died to be reborn.  
I am the bread that comes from heav'n above;  
I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
2. I am the way that leads the exile home;  
I am the truth that sets the captive free.  
I am the life that raises up the dead.  
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
3. I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;  
I am the gate that guards you night and day;  
You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice;  
You are my own: your ransom is my blood.

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## Closing Song: Amazing Grace (G 645)

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

3. The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

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