



An Example of One of Our Eucharistic Prayers

God dwells in you.

[R] *And also in you.*

Come to the table with thankful hearts.

[R] *We lift our hearts to God and to one another.*

Presider:

Ever gracious and ever loving God, we praise and thank You through Jesus for Your presence and action in the world.

Voice 1

In the midst of conflict and division, You turn our minds to thoughts of peace. Your Spirit changes our hearts: enemies begin to speak to one another, those who were estranged join hands in friendship, and nations seek the way of peace and justice.

Voice 2

Your Spirit is at work when understanding puts an end to strife, when hatred is quenched by mercy, and vengeance gives way to forgiveness. For this we should never cease to give You thanks, as we join with all creation to praise You forever:

Voice 2 (French)

Ton Esprit se manifeste quand l'entente met fin aux conflits, quand la haine est étanchée par la clémence et la vengeance succombe au pardon. Pour cela nous ne devons jamais cesser de Te remercier en nous joignant à toute la création pour Te louer pour toujours:

Sanctus

[Community extends a hand, palm up, toward the bread and wine.]

Presider

And so God of Love, we praise You through Jesus - the Word that brings healing and wholeness - the hand You stretch out to us in our weakness - the way that leads to Your peace. We recognize Your Spirit alive and at work in this bread and wine, and in us. We open ourselves to Your Spirit who sanctifies and transforms these gifts to become You in us, the body and blood of Christ, as we now fulfill your command of love. We remember that...

All:

...on the night before he died, Jesus took bread and gave You thanks and praise. The bread was broken, and given to those at table, and to us. "Take this, all of you and eat. This is my body. Do this in memory of me."

[Pause]

At the end of the meal the cup was lifted. Again You were praised for Your goodness, and the cup was shared. "Take this, all of you, and drink. This is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant, shed for you and for all. Do this in memory of me."

Presider Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

When we eat this bread, and drink this cup, we proclaim our faith in You and our hope in the face of hopelessness.

Voice 3

Nurturing and tender God, You have entrusted to us this pledge of Your love. Fill us with your Spirit. Through our sharing in this meal, take away all that divides us. May Your Spirit keep us always in communion with all who seek you with a sincere heart. Make your Church throughout the world a sign of unity, an instrument of Your peace.

Voice 3 (Spanish)

Dios tierno que nos cuidas y nos entregas la promesa de Tu amor, llénanos de Tu Espíritu. Haz que al compartir este alimento, se borren todas las divisiones entre nosotros. Haz que Tu Espíritu nos mantenga siempre en comunión con todos los que te buscan con un corazón sincero. Haz que tu Iglesia sea una señal de unidad en todo el mundo, un instrumento de Tu paz.

Voice 4

You have gathered us here around your table, in friendship with Mary and all the prophets and saints, living and dead. Strengthen and console all who are suffering in any way. Bless all those who have gone before us and bring them into the lasting joy and peace of Your presence.

Voice 4 (German)

Du hast uns hier um deinen Tisch versammelt, in Freundschaft mit Maria, allen Propheten und Heiligen – den lebenden und den verstorbenen. Stärke und tröste all jene, die in irgendeiner Weise leiden. Segne alle, die uns vorausgegangen sind und schenke ihnen immerwährende Freude und den Frieden deiner Anwesenheit.

Voice 5

In that new world where the fullness of Your peace will be revealed, we ask You to gather people of every race, every language, and every way of life to share in the one eternal banquet. Then in Your presence, we shall give You glory with all creation and with Jesus through whom Your goodness flows.

Great Amen

*Through Christ, with one another, and in You,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is Yours, forever and ever.*

Amen.