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Eucharistic Prayer:

Giving thanks for the Gospel of Love and Friendship

Preface (giving praise and thanksgiving to God):

It is truly right and just, Lover of all, to give you thanks. You are the source of that universal and total equality which we wish to manifest together.

Blessed are you, when man and woman accept each other as equals; when we no longer crush each other; when people find a common language and use it to build a human community.

It is right and just to praise you, God, friend of all. You are the bond of the family which we wish to construct together, beyond all violence, sexism, classism and racism.

Blessed are you when our departures open up to us new lands, when there is no war where roads cross each other, and when, at the end of the journey, we find rest at the table of friends.

It is right and good to sing to you, God, salvation of all. You are the strength of that courageous freedom, still growing, which we wish to find together.

Blessed are you when prophets call for justice and right, when the mighty are cast down from their thrones, when the poor see the dawn of a new world rising for them.

That is why, united with all those who are ready to give their life to stop people's inhumanity to each other, we who are called to be holy because you are holy sing together this festive hymn. **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY...**

Truly the earth is filled with your presence through Jesus Christ. Jesus, your envoy sent up a tent among us, but we did not receive him.

Blessed be they who today welcome him in the stranger.

Jesus, your Beloved, devoted himself to the weak and to the helpless, and we did not understand him.

Blessed be those who today announce the Good News to the poor.

And so, Loving God, let your Spirit come upon these gifts of love and friendship. May they become the Body and Blood of Jesus, your Son, our Lord, Friend and Brother.

The Lord Jesus, on the day before he suffered, so that we might learn that, in God's Reign, the greatest are those who put themselves at the service of others, during the Passover meal, rose from the table, took a towel and girded himself, poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of his disciples and friends.

Then he who had loved everyone gave the final proof of his love. He took bread, gave thanks to you, Loving God, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends saying:

Take and eat. This is my Body, my life shared for you.

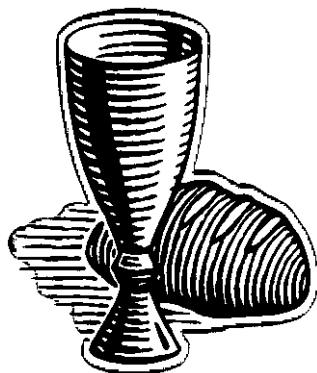
In the same way, at the end of the meal, Jesus took the cup of blessing and gave it to his friends saying:

Take and drink of it all of you. This is the Cup of the New and Eternal Covenant, my Blood shed for the life of the world. Do this in memory of me.

Memorial Acclamation:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Glory to you who died, glory to you who live, our Saviour, our Friend and our God. Come, Lord Jesus!



That is why, Loving God, we are gathered here. We are remembering the Death and Resurrection of the Saviour and awaiting his return in glory, and we offer you our lives as a sacrifice pleasing to you.

Grant to all those who share this bread of life and drink this cup of salvation to be gathered together by the Holy Spirit in to a single Body.

Grant that we too may prepare for the world a family table from which each will receive according to their need. Remember all those who have died especially those for whom we now pray (silence). Living God, receive them at your table in heaven.

Remember your Church, a stranger and a pilgrim on this earth. May it be for strangers, immigrants and exiles a community of welcome and mutual respect. Remember people of all faiths and none, here and throughout the world.

Remember all Church leaders - women and men who minister in your name.
May they all be signs and servants of your unity, love and friendship.

Remember humanity in search of justice. May Christians, whose faith means always a new beginning, whose hope is a new journey, recognise in everyone a sister, a brother and a friend, through Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Doxology and Great Amen:

Through whom, with whom, and in whom, O our God, in the communion of the Spirit, are due the Reign of peace, the power of love and the glory of truth, now and for all the ages. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer: (Our Father in reverse) The Active Love of God

**We are asking,
by the active love of God in us,
to be delivered from all evil.
For that to happen we must play our part:
by resisting temptation;
by forgiving the faults of others;
by sharing our bread.
These are the conditions to be fulfilled,
the tasks to be carried out in the world,
if the practice of God's will
be achieved on earth as it is in heaven.
Only then will God's Reign become a reality.
Only then will God's name be kept holy in the practice of our lives.
Only then will we be true sisters and brothers in our Creator.**

Prayer for Peace:

Let us pray for peace and reconciliation in the world, in our families and communities and in our hearts as we say together...

**Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
I leave you peace, my peace I give you.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
And grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom
Where you live for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Sign of Peace

All hold hands and sing '*Shalom my friends*'

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

Communion

After Communion: Closing words (JBT)

Final Blessing (all)

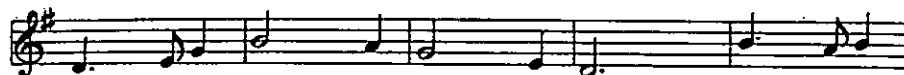
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Be with us now and forever.
Amen**





A TOUCHING PLACE

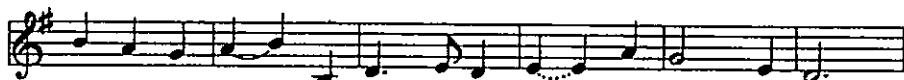
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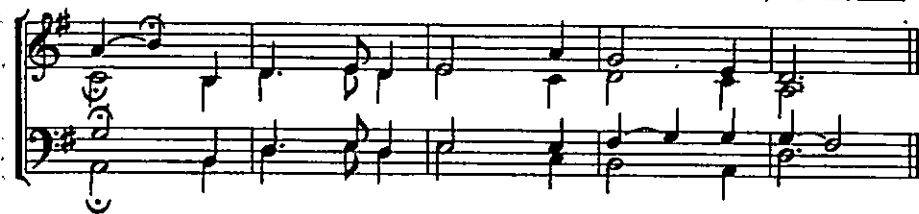
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Chorus: TO THE LOST CHRIST SHOWS HIS FACE;
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And feel for the weary who find no rest.
4. Feel for the lives by life confused,
Riddled with doubt, in loving abused;
Feel for the lonely heart, conscious of sin,
Which longs to be pure but fears to begin.

This song has been effectively used as written and as an aid to intercessory prayer. In the latter case, one verse may be sung with chorus and in the ensuing silence people may offer names of those whom the words bring to mind.

Christ, Be Our Light

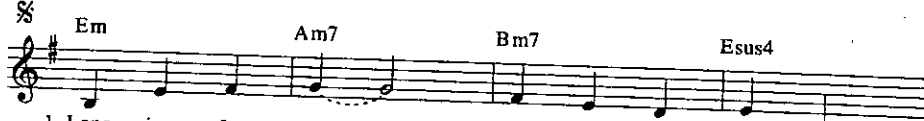
(Guitar/Vocal)

Bernadette Farrell

INTRO: (♩ = ca. 132)



VERSES:



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.
2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.
3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.
4. Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less.
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple,



1. Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.
2. Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.
3. Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.
4. Long - ing for warmth, man - y are cold.
5. man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



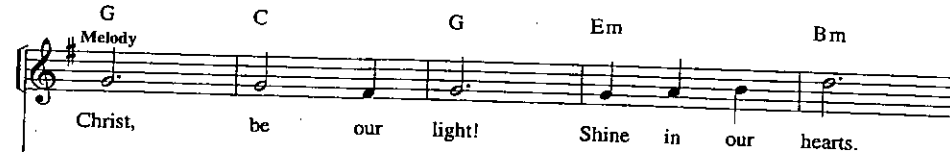
1. Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
2. Your word a - lone, has pow'r to save us.
3. Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,
4. Make us your build - ing, shel - ter - ing oth - ers,
5. Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er,



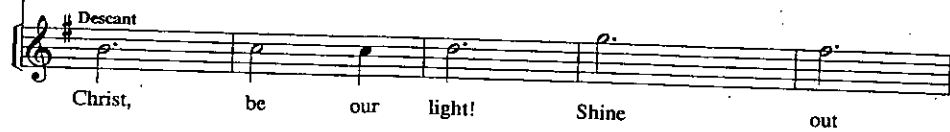
1. light for the world to see.
2. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. shared un - til all are fed.
4. walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. mak - ing your king - dom come.

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, cont. (2)

REFRAIN:



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.



Christ, be our light! Shine out



Shine through the dark - ness. Christ,



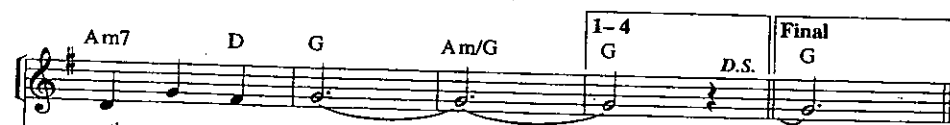
through the dark, shine! Christ,



be our light! Shine in your church



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gath - ered to - day.



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VERSES: Majestically



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my
 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my
 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the

1. peo - ple cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my
 2. peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them. They
 3. poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My

1. hand will save. I who make the stars of night,
 2. turn a - way. I will break their hearts of stone,
 3. hand will save. Fin-est bread I will pro - vide

1. I will make their dark-ness bright. Who will bear my
 2. give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my
 3. till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my

1. light to them? Whom shall I send? _____
 2. word to them. Whom shall I send? _____
 3. life to them. Whom shall I send? _____

REFRAIN: a tempo

Here I am, Lord. _____ Is it I, Lord? _____

I have heard you call - ing in the night. _____

I will go, Lord, _____ if you lead me. _____

I will hold your peo - ple in my heart. _____

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Blest are you Lord, God of all creation,
 Thanks to your goodness this bread we offer:
 Fruit of the earth, work of our hands,
 It will become the bread of life.

Refrain: blessed be God, blessed be God for ever amen (x3)

Blest are you, Lord God of all creation,
 Thanks to you goodness this wine we offer:
 Fruit of the earth, work of our hands,
 It will become the cup of life

Ocean Hymn (June B.T.)

Swelling, sparkling ocean,
 Pulled by nature's longing,
 Mighty ebb and flow.
 Mould us with your surging,
 Thrust us into freedom,
 Strengthen us with pow'r
 Depths of creativity
 Echo with abundant living,
 Paradigm of loving.

Diamond studded blueness,
 Lace in foaming patterns
 Change, yet stay the same,
 Calm and sheltered harbours,
 Billowing, rolling breakers
 All form part of you.
 Deep within your sacred heart,
 Seething with love unending,
 Nature's joy delights us.

God within such beauty,
 Pull us with your loving
 Into joyful deeps.
 Such majestic closeness,
 Changing yet unchanging,
 Draws us to your heart.
 Gently sheltering harbour calm,
 Storms that wreck life's fragile fabric,
 All take place within you.

Keep us ever constant,
 Like your love that holds us
 Free, yet ever joined,
 Ride the rolling breakers,
 Find in calmer waters
 Contrasts borne with joy
 See within life's ebb and flow
 Patterns of Your own creating
 Rest within our changes.

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O Creator of the Cosmos, help us to guard the resources of planet earth and to care for the non-human part of creation
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Pause for reflection

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and the power of the Spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful
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