

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS : Gift of bread and wine

1. Gifts of bread and wine,
gifts we've offered,
fruits of labour, fruits of love:
taken, offered, sanctified,
blessed and broken; words of one who died:

*'Take my body, take my saving blood.'
Gifts of bread and wine: Christ our Lord.*

2. Christ our Saviour, living presence here,
as he promised while on earth:
'I am with you for all time,
I am with you in this bread and wine.'

COMMUNION : Shepherd me, O God

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.*

1. God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows
of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways
of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your name,
3. Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,

your rod and your staff,
my comfort and my hope.

4. You have set me a banquet of love
in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love
beyond my power to hold.
5. Surely your kindness and mercy
follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell
in the house of my God forevermore.

COMMUNION II : Do not be afraid

*Do not be afraid,
For I have redeemed you.
I have called you by your name;
You are mine.*

1. When you walk through the waters
I'll be with you,
You will never have to sink
beneath the waves.
2. When the fire is burning all around you,
You will never be consumed by the flames.

3. When the fear of loneliness is looming,
Then remember I am at your side.
4. When you dwell in the exile of a stranger,
Remember you are precious in my eyes.
5. You are mine, O my child; I am your father,
And I love you with a perfect love.

RECESSIONAL : Walk with me, O my Lord

*Walk with me, oh my Lord,
Through the darkest night
and brightest day
Be at my side, oh Lord,
Hold my hand
and guide me on my way.*

1. Sometimes the road seems long,
My energy is spent.
Then, Lord, I think of you
And I am given strength
2. Stones often bar my path,
And there are times I fall,
But you are always there
To help me when I call.

3. Just as you calmed the wind
And walked upon the sea
Conquer, my living Lord
The storms that threaten me.
4. Help me to pierce the mists
That cloud my heart and mind,
So that I shall not fear
The steepest mountain-side.
5. As once you healed the lame
And gave sight to the blind
Help me when I'm downcast
To hold my head up high.