

It was at a table like this that Jesus shared His last meal  
with His followers.

We lift the bread as He did.

We break it as He did.

And we share it remembering His words:

"My body is broken for you. Eat and remember me."

We also lift the cup as He did.

And we share it remembering His words:

"My blood flows for you. Drink and remember me".

*Here and now we are one in this memory and this meal.  
One loaf, one cup, one Lord laying down His life for us.*

*Those leading the celebration receive the bread and wine.*

*A moment of silence may be allowed for worshippers to remember their own  
experiences of God's Presence, care or work in their lives.*

*They are then invited forward to receive.*

#### **Let Us Not Forget Our Mission**

It is not for us alone that this sacrifice was made . . .

***God's love for the world is so strong that He gave His only Son.***

***Whoever believes may enter His life.***

***This meal reminds of the world He loves.***

And so, at His word, we share life with all people,

so that all people may share in His life.

***Teach us, Lord,***

***to be a people of open arms***

***large hearts***

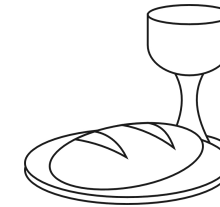
***and faithful companionship.***

***We remember Your mission to save us,***

***Your call to work through us,***

***And your promise to draw all creation back to You in Jesus.***

***Amen and Amen.***



## A Liturgy for the Lord's Supper

#### **Let Us Not Forget Why We Gather**

Timeless Designer of time and place,

In this tiny fragment of earth, this small fraction of history,

You have gathered us.

You have chosen this sacred moment to fill our minds

and to touch our Spirits with God.

to remind us of You and Your awesomely weak

human life among us

We are here because we forget

***Speak to us again, O God***

When life breaks over us, we forget Your strength

***Still the waves again, O God***

When pain is a constant, unwelcome companion,

we forget Your compassion

***Touch and heal again, O God***

When fear and uncertainty undermine us, we forget Your Presence

***Stand among us again, O God***

When grief hollows out our hearts, we forget Your comfort

***Weep with us again, O God***

We need the gentle whisperings of Your Spirit

to inspire faith in us again.

We need to know once more that we are truly not alone;

that we are loved with life-forfeiting love;

that we are forgiven by debt-cancelling grace;

that we are restored to vulnerable relationship with You

***We thank You for this brief retreat into remembering and re-creation.***

*Let us not forget  
For Jesus' sake. Amen.*

**Let Us Not Forget Our God**

Even now, as we are re-awakened to Your Spirit,

We remember, O God, Who You are  
And remembering, we offer You our praise  
Even here, as life rises within us,

We remember what You have done  
***And remembering we offer You our praise***  
Even now, as worship makes us a little more whole  
We remember what You have given  
***And remembering we offer You our praise***

*Silent Praise*

**Let Us Not Forget Our Faith**

Let us tell again the ancient story of our faith:

***That all things live because God said it should be so  
That as Jesus, God became one of God's creatures,  
and shared life with us  
That Jesus journeyed through death and hell to rescue and rebirth us  
That Jesus opened the grip of death and reclaimed His life  
so as to reclaim ours  
That Jesus orders the universe and will return  
to make Himself fully known  
That God's Spirit now flows over all creation,  
moulding her children into Church,  
transforming scarlet sinners into snow-coloured saints,  
rolling tomb stones away  
and leading the dance of eternity.  
Amen.***

**Let Us Not Forget Those In Need**

Here, in the arms of God Who loves with the intensity of a mother,  
Let us remember our world:  
Its places of power, in need of God's wisdom and humility  
Its peoples, longing for His lessons of understanding and trust

*Silent prayers are offered*

Here, in the arms of God Who hears every cry,  
every desire and every hope,  
Let us remember the country which gives us a home:  
Its poor and hopeless ones, in need of compassion and care  
Its broken and destructive ones, searching for healing and peace  
Its children, longing for love and guidance

*Silent prayers are offered*

Here, in the arms of God Who has engraved our names  
on the palms of His hands  
Let us remember ourselves and those we love:  
Our tears, seeking consolation  
Our pain, hoping to be soothed  
Our fears, reaching for faith  
Our lives, hungry and thirsty for God

*Silent prayers are offered*

***Compassionate God,  
Our dependence on You is complete. Our need of You is constant.  
In our prayers we remember this  
and know that You remember us  
We trust You and thank You. Amen.***

**Let Us Not Forget Our Life Together**

Let us remember as we greet each other, that God has placed us  
in His loving community  
May God's peace fill you at all times, and in all places.

*The peace may be shared among the worshipers*

**Let Us Not Forget Jesus**

We come together around this table of memories  
***It is not that we deserve to be here. This is not a right to be earned. This is  
not a reward to be achieved. This is a gift which can only be accepted from  
our forgiving and generous God.***