

**St. Andrew's River Heights United Church
Saturday, December 24, 2011
Celebration of Holy Communion – 10:30pm**

Please join in the responses in **bold print**.

Litany of Remembrance and Consecration:

God of light, in whom there is no shadow, your gifts to us are from the very beginning of time.

They began with creation, when your Spirit gave form to the chaos of energy and matter, and when your word brought forth light on the face of the earth.

They continued with our ancient ancestors, like Noah, whom you blessed with the colourful promise of the rainbow.

And like Sarah and Abraham, whom you blessed with a child whose descendants, as many as the stars of the sky, were to be a light to the nations.

In the desert, you gave the gifts of manna and of living water to the weary pilgrims whom you led by a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night.

At last you sent your light into the world in the form of a tiny child, fragile and vulnerable, who grew to be the very Light of Light, full of grace and truth, revealing your glory on earth.

All: We thank you, O God, that you have sent Jesus Christ to bring life and immortality to light. Help us to receive your gifts with joy and humility: as we receive this bread and juice, may we open our hearts to receive your love and grace in Jesus

Christ, and receive the love and support of one another. Be born among us, that we may give Christ's love to the world, through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

Eat This Bread

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The musical score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef staff with chords G, C, Am, D, Bm, Em, Dsus4, and D above it. The lyrics are: "Eat this bread, drink this cup; come to me and nev-er be hun - gry." The second system has a treble clef staff with chords G, D, Em, Bm, C, Dsus4, D, and G above it. The lyrics are: "Eat this bread, drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst." Both systems include a bass clef staff with a corresponding bass line.

Prayer of Thanksgiving