

Focus on God

Candle Lighting

Evening Prayer

**Gracious, Holy God, as I remember the events of this day, help me to see its encounters through the eyes of your love that I might know you more fully and receive this night in trust. Amen.**

Matthew 25

**<sup>31</sup>“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup>and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup>And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup>And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ <sup>40</sup>And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’**

The Word of God

**The Word of Life**

## Communion

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Gracious God,**

**pour out your Holy Spirit upon us**

**and upon these your gifts of bread and wine,**

**that the bread we break**

**and the cup we bless**

**may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.**

**By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ**

**and with all who are baptized in his name,**

**that we may be one in ministry in every place.**

**As this bread is Christ's body for us,**

**send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.**

**Amen**

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Closing Song

Blessing