

Fellowship Meal **Preparation**

We gather as God's people, in our different places and homes, knowing that you are with us. We bring bread, knowing our need to be fed, and aware that many are hungry. We bring our drink, knowing our need to be renewed in you, knowing that many are thirsty. We praise you that in Christ we have new life. Unite us at this time of fellowship that as we eat and drink in our homes, may our faith be renewed in Christian love towards one another. We bring ourselves, trusting that you will take and share Our time, our talents, and our treasures, and make them enough.

And so, with these fragile things, this bread and this cup

we celebrate in fellowship the strangeness of the cross and resurrection. We hold together the mystery of dying and living, of sacrifice and empowerment, of communion and community.

Send your Spirit on us now that we may feed by grace on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who gather around your table offer ourselves to live for you, anticipating with joy and gladness the feast at your table in heaven which will have no end, when we will see you face to face and know your embrace overcoming all our distancing.

Amen.