

## **Instructions for Stay at Home Celebration of the Lord's Supper:**

**We will read together in unison each part at the same time with a pause for silent prayer between each set.**

**Your cell phone time or any other automatically set device is set by the US Naval Observatory.**

**@7:PM (1900) on 9 April 2020, Maundy Thursday begin the service.**

### **The Lord's Supper (read in Unison)**

**7:00 PM: Friends: This is the joyful feast of the people of God! God's people will come from the east and the west, and from the north and the south, and sit at the table in the Kingdom of God. This is the Lord's Table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast, which he has prepared.**

**According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at the table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized him.**

**7:02 PM: Let us pray in thanksgiving**

**Everlasting God: we thank you for commanding light out of darkness, for dividing the waters into sea and dry land, for creating the whole world and calling it good. We thank you for making us in your image to live with each other in love; for the breath of life, the gift of speech, and the freedom to choose your way. You have told us your purpose in the commandments to Moses, and called for justice in the cry of the prophets. Through long generations you have been fair and kind to all your children. Great and wonderful are your works – Lord God Almighty. Your ways are just and true. With people of faith from all times and places, we lift our hearts in joyful praise.**

**Almighty God: We thank you for your son Jesus, who lived with us, sharing joy and sorrow. He told your story, healed the sick, and was a friend of sinners. Obeying you, he took up his cross and was murdered by those he loved. We praise you that Jesus is not dead, but is risen to rule the world; and that he is still the friend of sinners. We trust him to overcome every power to hurt or to separate us, so that, when you bring in your promised kingdom, we will celebrate victory with our savior.**

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**Remembering the Lord Jesus, we break bread and share one cup, announcing his death for the sins of the world, and telling of his resurrection to all your people.**

**Great God give the Holy Spirit in the breaking of this bread, so that we may be drawn together, joined to Christ our Lord, receive new life, and remain his glad and faithful people until we feast with him in glory.**

**O God, who called us from death to life: we give ourselves to you; and with the church through all the ages, we thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who taught us to pray saying:**

**Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

**7:05**

**The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest took bread, and after giving thanks to God, broke it and said: "this is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."**

**This is the bread of Life, not the manna in the desert that spoils in a day. Let us share the bread together.**

**O Lord, may this become the body of Christ to feed our faith in your promise of life eternal, in Jesus Holy Name. Amen**

**7:07**

**In the same way Jesus took the cup after supper, and said: "this is the new covenant sealed in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this, in remembrance of me."**

**This cup is filled with Christ's blood shed on the cross for the forgiveness of our sin. Let us share the cup together.**

**O Lord, may this cup become the living water to cleanse us of all wrong, through the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen**

**7:09**

**Every time you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the lord until he comes.**

**Jesus said: "I am the vine, you are the branches. Cut off from me you can do nothing."**

**The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen**