

Short Hymns for Meditation After Communion

The Blessing Cup of Christ Though We Are Many Two Fish and Just Five Loaves

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Score for Unison Voices and Guitar



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The Blessing Cup of Christ

The blessing cup of Christ we bless and share the blood he shed. We take his body for our own and so by Christ are fed.

This feast prepared of finest wheat, this cup that overflows.
We eat and drink at his command:
He comes who died and rose.

May we be worthy of his feast, the covenant made new. May we remember what we eat and to his cup be true.

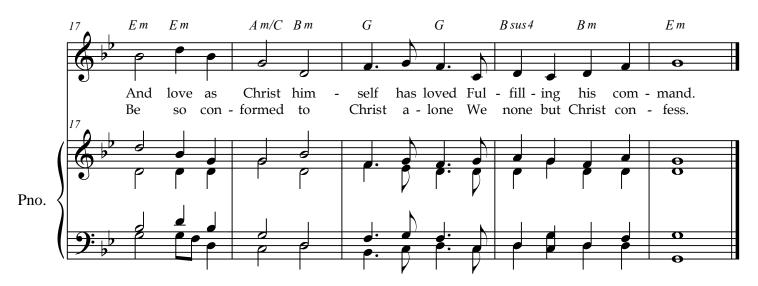
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The Blessing Cup of Christ



Though We Are Many





Though We are Many

Though we are many, Christ is one:
The center and the sum.
He draws the many to himself,
And we to Christ must come.
As we are gathered into Christ
So shall our hearts expand
And love as Christ himself has loved,
Fulfilling his command.

When broken for the Church to share, No one shall Christ divide. He gives himself entire and whole: The Bridegroom of the Bride. May we who dare to eat and drink This food of righteousness, Be so conformed to Christ alone We none but Christ confess.

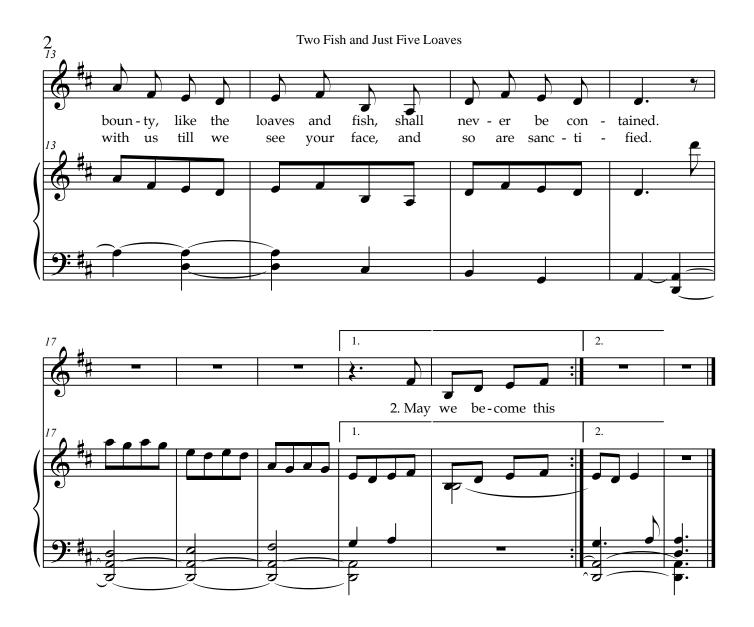
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Two Fish and Just Five Loaves





Two Fish and Just Five Loaves
Eucharist

Two fish and just five loaves of bread the multitude once fed.

Now has his body and his blood become our daily bread.

How gracious is his gift of self whereby we are sustained.

Its bounty, like the loaves and fish, shall never be contained.

May we become the bread he breaks to feed the multitude.

Like fish may we be caught with Christ and with him be their food.

Lord Jesus Christ and Son of God, our Savior glorified, stay with us till we see your face and so are sanctified.

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