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FAMILY WORSHIP PACK

SESSIONS 1-13 (BASIC LEVEL)

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HOW TO USE THE FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY

Worship, fellowship, ministry, discipleship, and education all begin in the home. These liturgies are designed to be a tool for you to use in your home, around the dinner table, or whenever else you want to lead family worship.

One of the ways we suggest you start introducing family worship is by establishing a weekly 'sabbath dinner,' on a Saturday night or a Sunday afternoon. A sabbath dinner should be an occasion for the whole family to look forward to: an opportunity to feast together and to celebrate the goodness of God in your family life. Get the whole family involved: choosing the menu, preparing the food, setting the table, writing name cards, and so on. Select some music that fits the occasion, and when you're ready to begin, before you sit down to eat, that's when you use the **family worship liturgy**.

As the husband/father is the head of the household (1 Corinthians 11:3; Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 3:18; 1 Peter 3:1), it is recommended that he leads the family through the liturgy. If your household does not contain a father, then the mother should lead it. The head of the household should read the text in black and the family should respond with the text in red.

The hymn/song at the end is there so that, as the family has heard the truth of God's Word in the liturgy, the family responds in thankfulness to God with singing based on the theme of the catechism questions.

This is the basic liturgy, with simplified responses to the catechism questions, and short versions of the hymns. To help the children memorise the content, each liturgy should be used for a whole calendar month, taking 13 months to complete in all. You may want to cycle these basic liturgies a few times before moving on to the advanced liturgies, depending on the maturity of your children.

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY ONE

“Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made.” *“We will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Prayer

“What is the blessing for my wife?” *“May her house be a place where people become wise.”*
(Proverbs 9:4)

“What is the blessing for the children?” *“May they build their lives on the rock that is Jesus Christ all of their days.”* *(Matthew 7:24)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **What is our only hope in life and death?** *That we are not our own but belong to God.*
(Romans 14:7-8)
2. **What is God?** *God is the creator of everyone and everything. (John 1:3)*
3. **How many persons are there in God?** *There are three persons in one God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. (2 Corinthians 13:14)*
4. **How and why did God create us?** *God created us male and female in his own image to glorify him. (Gen 1:27)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: Holy. Holy. Holy

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name,
In earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY TWO

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always be honoured by her family" (Exodus 20:12)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they always have a childlike faith." (Matthew 18:2-5)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **What did God create?** *God created all things and all his creation was very good. (Genesis 1:31)*
2. **How can we glorify God?** *By loving him and by obeying his commands, and law. (1 John 5:3)*
3. **What does the law of God require?** *That we love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and love our neighbor as ourselves. (Matthew 22:37-40)*
4. **What is the law of God stated in the Ten Commandments?** *You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony. You shall not covet. (Exodus 20:1-17)*

Confessions (for all)

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3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
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5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: Trust & Obey

*When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way;
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.*

*Trust and obey,
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY THREE

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always be worthy of respect." (1 Timothy 3:11)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they be like arrows in their father's hand" (Psalm 127:3-5)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **What does God require in the first, second, and third commandments?** *First, that we know God as the only true God. Second, that we avoid all idolatry. Third, that we treat God's name with fear and reverence. (Deuteronomy 6:13-14)*
2. **What does God require in the fourth and fifth commandments?** *Fourth, that on the Sabbath day we spend time in worship of God, Fifth, that we love and honor our father and our mother. (Leviticus 19:3)*
3. **What does God require in the sixth, seventh, and eighth commandments?** *Sixth, that we do not hurt, or hate, our neighbor. Seventh, that we live purely and faithfully. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else. (Romans 13:9)*
4. **What does God require in the ninth and tenth commandments?** *Ninth, that we do not lie or deceive. Tenth, that we are content, not envying anyone. (James 2:8)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
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4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: I Have Decided

*I have decided to follow Jesus
No turning back, no turning back. (x2)*

*The cross before me, the world behind me
No turning back, no turning back.*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY FOUR

“Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made.” *“We will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Prayer

“What is the blessing for my wife?” *“May she be loved as Christ loves the Church.” (Ephesians 5:25)*

“What is the blessing for the children?” *May they always walk in the truth.” (3 John 1:4)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **Can anyone keep the law of God perfectly?** *Since the fall, no human has been able to keep the law of God perfectly. (Romans 3:10-12)*
2. **Did God create us unable to keep his law?** *No, but because of the disobedience of Adam and Eve, we are all born in sin and guilt, unable to keep God's law. (Romans 5:12)*
3. **Since no one can keep the law, what is its purpose?** *That we may know the holy nature of God, and the sinful nature of our hearts; and thus our need of a Savior. (Romans 3:20)*
4. **What is sin?** *Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, not being or doing what he requires in his law. (1 John 3:4)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
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What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: The Law of God is Good and Wise

*The law of God is good and wise
And sets His will before our eyes,
Shows us the way of righteousness
And dooms to death when we transgress.*

*It's light of holiness imparts
The knowledge of our sinful hearts,
That we may see our lost estate
And turn from sin before too late.*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY FIVE

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always build her house with wisdom." (Proverbs 14:1)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they always honour their father and mother." (Exodus 20:12)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **What is idolatry?** *Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator. (Romans 1:21, 25)*
2. **Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?** *No, God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them both in this life, and in the life to come. (Ephesians 5:5-6)*
3. **Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?** *Yes, God reconciles us to himself by a Redeemer. (Isaiah 53:10-11)*
4. **Who is the redeemer?** *The only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Timothy 2:5)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: Blessed Assurance

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of his Spirit, washed in His blood*

*This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY SIX

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always have noble character." (Proverbs 31:10)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they always enjoy the peace of God" (Isaiah 54:13)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **What sort of Redeemer is needed to bring us back to God?** *One who is truly human and also truly God. (Isaiah 9:6)*
2. **Why must the Redeemer be truly human?** *That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin. (Hebrews 2:17)*
3. **Why must the Redeemer be truly God?** *That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective. (Acts 2:24)*
4. **Why was it necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to die?** *Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin and bring us back to God. (Colossians 1:21-22)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: In Christ Alone

*In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY SEVEN

“Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made.” *“We will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Prayer

“What is the blessing for my wife?” *“May she be a fount of wisdom and instruction.” (Proverbs 31:26)*

“What is the blessing for the children?” *“May they see their discipline as the grace and love of the Lord” (Proverbs 13:24)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **Does Christ's death mean all our sins can be forgiven?** *Yes, because Christ's death on the cross fully paid the penalty for our sin, God will remember our sins no more. (2 Corinthians 5:21)*
2. **What else does Christ's death redeem?** *Every part of fallen creation. (Colossians 1:19-20)*
3. **Are all people, just as they were lost through Adam, saved through Christ?** *No, only those who are elected by God and united to Christ by faith. (Romans 5:17)*
4. **What happens after death to those not united to Christ by faith?** *They will be cast out from the presence of God, into hell, to be justly punished, forever. (John 3:16-18, 36)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: In Christ Alone

*No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY EIGHT

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always find her strength in God." (Psalm 46:5)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they continue in the faith all their days" (2 Timothy 3:14-15)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **How can we be saved?** *Only by faith in Jesus Christ and in his substitutionary atoning death on the cross. (Ephesians 2:8-9)*
2. **What is faith in Jesus Christ?** *receiving and resting on him alone for salvation as he is offered to us in the gospel. (Galatians 2:20)*
3. **What do we believe by true faith?** *Everything taught to us in the gospel. (Jude 3)*
4. **What do justification and sanctification mean?** *Justification means our declared righteousness before God. Sanctification means our gradual, growing righteousness. (1 Peter 1:1-2)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Recital: The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY NINE

“Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made.” *“We will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Prayer

“What is the blessing for my wife?” *“May she always fear the Lord.” (Proverbs 31:30)*

“What is the blessing for the children?” *“May they always bring their mother joy” (John 16:21)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **Should those who have faith in Christ seek their salvation through their own works, or anywhere else?** *No, everything necessary to salvation is found in Christ. (Galatians 2:16)*
2. **Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through Christ alone, must we still do good works and obey God's Word?** *Yes, so that our lives may show love and gratitude to God; and so that by our godly behavior others may be won to Christ. (1 Peter 2:9-12)*
3. **Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?** *From the Holy Spirit. (Titus 3:4-6)*
4. **What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?** *That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son. (John 14:16-17)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: Spirit of The Living God

*Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY TEN

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May the work of her hands always bear great fruit." (Proverbs 31:16-17)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they diligently learn the ways of The Lord" (Deuteronomy 6:6-7)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **How does the Holy Spirit help us?** *The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sin, and he enables us to pray and to understand God's Word. (Ephesians 6:17-18)*
2. **What is prayer?** *Prayer is pouring out our hearts to God. (Psalm 62:8)*
3. **With what attitude should we pray?** *With love, perseverance, and gratefulness. (Philippians 4:6)*
4. **What should we pray?** *The whole Word of God directs us in what we should pray. (Ephesians 3:14-21)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: What A Friend We Have In Jesus

*What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry,
Everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY ELEVEN

“Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made.” *“We will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Prayer

“What is the blessing for my wife?” *“May her house always be braced against the storm.”*
(Proverbs 31:20-21)

“What is the blessing for the children?” *“May they always remember their parents' teaching”*
(Proverbs 1:8-9)

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **What is the Lord's Prayer?** *It is the way Jesus taught us to pray. (Matthew 6:9)*
2. **How is the Word of God to be read and heard?** *With diligence, preparation, and prayer; so that we may accept it with faith, and practice it in our lives. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)*
3. **What are the sacraments or ordinances?** *Baptism and the Lord's Supper. (Romans 6:4)*
4. **What is baptism?** *Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19)*

Confessions (for all)

1. **Do you love God?** *Yes!*
2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
3. **Do you trust in Jesus for salvation?** *Yes!*
4. **Does the Holy Spirit live in your heart?** *Yes!*
5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY TWELVE

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always be adorned with an inward beauty." (1 Peter 3:3-4)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they never depart from the truth" (Proverbs 22:15)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **Is baptism with water the washing away of sin itself?** *No, only the blood of Christ can cleanse us from sin. (Luke 3:16)*
2. **What is the Lord's Supper?** *Christ commanded all Christians to eat bread and to drink from the cup in thankful remembrance of him. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)*
3. **Does the Lord's Supper add anything to Christ's atoning work?** *No, Christ died once for all. (1 Peter 3:18)*
4. **What is the church?** *A community elected for eternal life and united by faith, who love, follow, learn from, and worship God together. (2 Thessalonians 2:13)*

Confessions (for all)

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What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: Amazing Grace

*Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see*

Amen, let's eat!

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FAMILY WORSHIP LITURGY THIRTEEN

"Welcome to our table. Please raise your glass for a sabbath toast. This is the day the Lord has made." *"We will rejoice and be glad in it!"*

Prayer

"What is the blessing for my wife?" *"May she always have faith in God promises" (Luke 1:45)*

"What is the blessing for the children?" *"May they always have confidence to approach their Heavenly Father (Matthew 19:14)*

Catechism Questions (for individuals or to be done together)

1. **Where is Christ now?** *Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after his death and is seated at the right hand of the Father. (Ephesians 1:20-21)*
2. **What does Christ's resurrection mean for us?** *Christ triumphed over sin and death so that all who trust in him are raised to new life in this world and to everlasting life in the world to come. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14)*
3. **Of what advantage to us is Christ's ascension?** *Christ is now advocating for us in the presence of his Father, and also sends us his Spirit. (Romans 8:34)*
4. **What hope does everlasting life hold for us?** *That we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be forever freed from all sin in a renewed, restored creation. (Revelation 21:1-4)*

Confessions (for all)

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2. **Do you repent of sin?** *Yes!*
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5. **Will you follow the Bible in all things?** *Yes!*

What did Jesus do for us? *Killed the dragon and saved us from sin!*

Hymn: Amazing Grace

*When we've been here ten thousand years
Bright, shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun*

Amen, let's eat!