



### Communion Model 3

Main themes: God's presence, one-anothering, Holy Spirit filling for mission

Main passage: Luke 24: 13-34

**Introduction (leader):** *'We're going to have another opportunity to respond to God now by taking communion together. Communion is the meal of God's family where we remember what Jesus did for us, and how he brings new life to his church. It is a meal for all followers of Jesus but if you're not a Christian please feel free to join us at the front and observe. If you want to take it today for the first time, as a sign that you're choosing to follow him, please do.'*

### **Joe Blogs (Person A)**

We have come to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
You love us and made us beautiful  
We were broken and far from you

**But you did not reject us, (ALL)**

**You came to meet us in your Son Jesus.**

**You embrace us.**

Someone to read Read Luke 24: 13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles<sup>[a]</sup> from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him.

<sup>17</sup> He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

<sup>19</sup> "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

**'Joanna Blogs'** (person B): Just as those two disciples encountered Jesus on the road to Emmaus, so we come to the communion table together.

Just as they received resurrection hope in the midst of despair, so we receive hope from our Lord.

Just as their hearts burned within them, so he comes by his Spirit to open our eyes to his glory and majesty.

**Leader:** This is his body, broken for you, take and eat. [break and pass round]

This is his blood, poured out for you. [Pour and pass round].

**'Joanna Blogs'** (person B):

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit.

**Fill us Lord. Come Holy Spirit.(ALL)**

As you met again with those first disciples and sent them out on your mission, send us out Lord.

**Fill us Lord. Come Holy Spirit.**

*Pray in small groups to know receive the Holy Spirit for power as we go out to proclaim his victory this week.*

Person A from Congregation

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(leader ensure bread and wine is passed around)

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