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1. Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from this dwelling take leave.
God's sacrifice ended, O now be extended
The fruits of this Mass in all hearts who believe.
The seed of Christ's teaching, Our inner souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
God's grace shall incite us, In love shall unite us
To further God's kingdom and answer the call.
2. With praise and thanksgiving To God who is living,
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we embrace.
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,
We claim as our fam'ly all those of each race.
One bread that has fed us, One light that has led us
Unite us as one in the life that we share.
Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997

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