



## REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

Martin Luther once wrote:

*“When you rinse your face before a meal,  
remember your baptism”*

Let's change that to:

*Whenever you wash your hands,  
Remember your baptism!*

Encourage children (or anyone) to sing:

Jesus loves me this I know  
for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong.  
They are weak but he is strong.  
Yes Jesus loves me. Yes Jesus loves me.  
Yes Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.



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## LIVING WITH DISTANCE

Need help with shopping, meals, medicines,  
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## SACRAMENTAL PRACTICE IN EXILE

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Ways for us to both remember our  
baptism and our communion with  
God and one another as we  
distance ourselves for the sake of  
others



# REMEMBRANCE OF OUR COMMUNION

*Use this blessing at a regular meal of an individual or family. A brief order may omit the Psalm. In our mealtimes, we give thanks for God's presence and anticipate that time when we are able to gather again and share the Lord's Supper together. Children are encouraged to be leaders as well!*

L: The Lord be with you

O; **And also with you**

L: Lift up your hearts

O: **We lift them to the Lord**

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L = Leader  
O = Others

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(If alone say, "**The Lord is with us. We lift up our hearts.**")

L: As we care for our neighbor by being distant from them, let us remember the communion we share with God, one another, and the whole creation.

A paraphrase from Psalm 139

*O Lord, you have searched me and known me.*

*You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.*

*Where can I go from your spirit?*

*What virus can distance me from your presence?*

*If I traveled light years in space, you are there;*

*if I must stay home or be isolated, you are here.*

*No matter where I am, or who I am with,*

*your hand shall lead me. I am still with you.*

L: Let us pray:

O: **Come Lord Jesus be our guest**

L: Help us to set a place at our table for your O Lord. Help us remember your promise to be with us wherever we are, especially now as we share this food.

O: **And let these gifts to us be blessed.**

All: **Bless our loved ones everywhere  
And keep them always in your care.  
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

And now we eat. If you are with others, talk and share and be in community. Try to call to mind those who may eat alone. Call them or connect with them if you can.

If you are alone, remember God's creative love in the food you eat. Remember that you are being remembered and named by others. Call a friend if you are able. Remember the communion of saints knows no limits of space and time.

After the meal, a tradition to return thanks uses Psalm 107;  
**O give thanks unto the Lord. For God is good  
and God's mercy endures forever. Amen**

*A sending blessing may also be spoken.*

L: God bless us and keep us. The Lord's face shine upon us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace; in the name of the Father, the Son + and the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**