

Prayers at Mealtime

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Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
ruler of the universe,
for you give us food to sustain our lives
and make our hearts glad.
Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord.
You have fed us from our earliest days;
you give food to every living creature.
Fill our hearts with joy and delight.
Give us what we need
and enough to spare for works of mercy
in honor of Christ Jesus, our Lord.
Through him may glory, honor and power be yours for ever.
Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation,
for you feed the whole world with your goodness,
with grace, with loving kindness and tender mercy.
You give food to all creatures,
and your loving kindness endures forever.
Because of your great goodness, food has never failed us;
O may it not fail us forever and ever
for the sake of your great name.
You nourish and sustain all creatures
and do good to all.
Blessed are you, O Lord, for you give food to all.
Amen.

Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts
which we are about to receive from your goodness,
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Creator of the universe,
you give us this gift of food to nourish us and give us life.
Bless this food that you have made
and human hands have prepared.
May it satisfy our hunger,
and in sharing it together
may we come closer to one another.
Amen.

God of grace,
sustain our bodies with this food,
our hearts with true friendship,
and our souls with your truth,
for Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen.

Lord Jesus,
be our holy guest,
our morning joy,
our evening rest;
and with our daily bread impart your love and peace to every heart.
Amen.

Give us grateful hearts, O God,
for all your mercies,
and make us mindful of the needs of others;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.