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## *Loving and Generous God,*

You are the source of all that we are and all that we have,  
the Giver of life and abundant grace,  
Father of every generation.  
We thank you and we praise you.

We thank you for the gift of your Son Jesus,  
who brought us your mercy and salvation  
through His Death and Resurrection.

We thank you, Lord, for sending us your Spirit  
to complete the work of Jesus and bring us  
the fullness of your grace.

Open our hearts to the gift of your grace.  
Make us faithful stewards, good receivers and generous givers.  
Teach us that we serve you as we  
share the blessings we have received, building bridges of service  
to people of all ages,  
especially those in most need  
of kindness and comfort.

Be with us, Lord,  
as we witness to your Good News in all that we do  
in our homes, parishes, and in the workplace.  
Open our eyes to see  
your presence in all we encounter.  
Open to your love,  
may it always flow through our hearts.

This we pray through your Son, our Lord Jesus,  
who lives with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever.  
AMEN