A stained glass window depicting a chalice and a host. The chalice is golden and contains a red liquid, likely representing wine. The host is a round, golden-brown wafer resting on a red paten. The background is a blue and white geometric pattern of circles and lines, with green leaves and purple grapes visible in the corners.

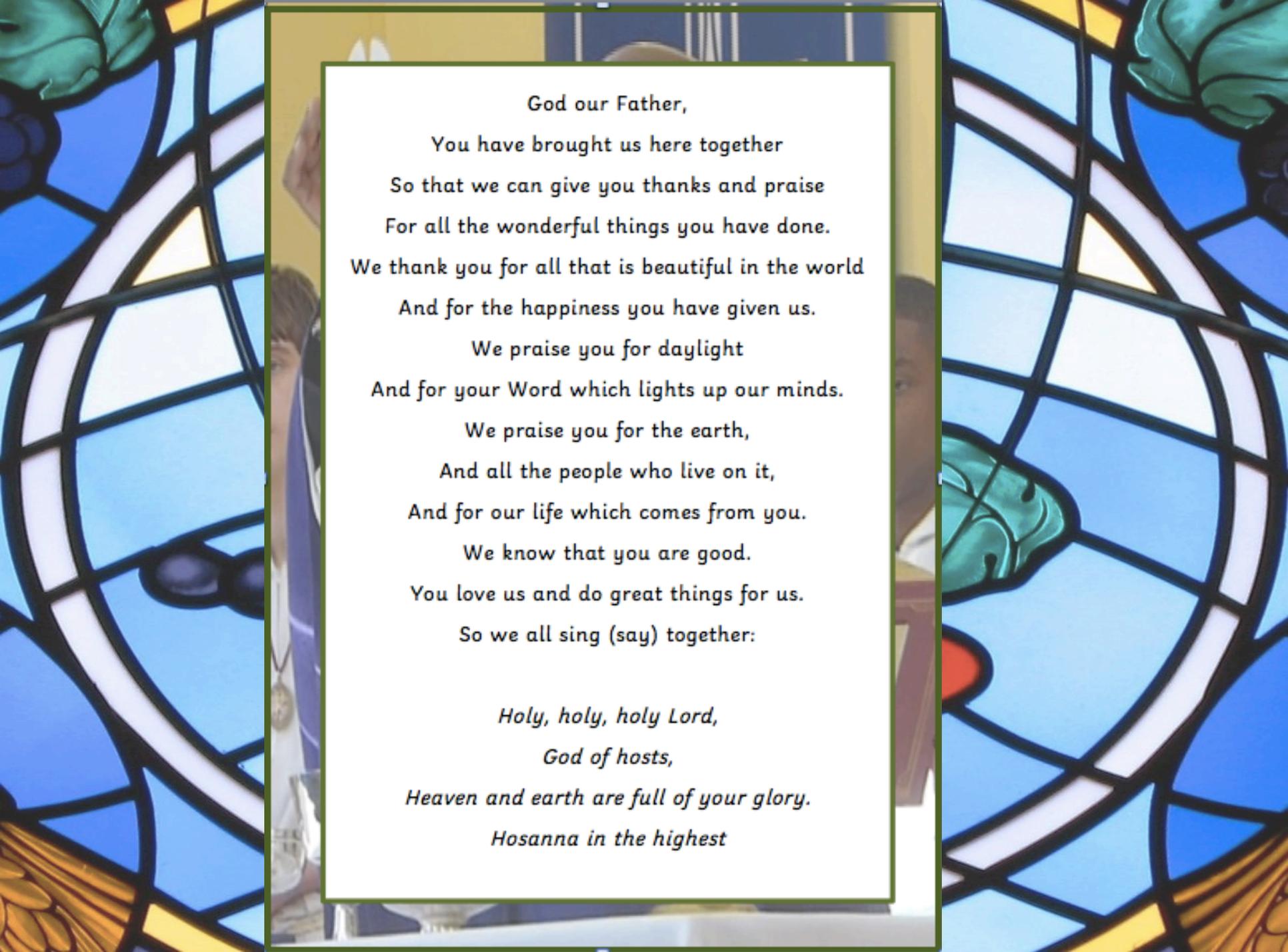
Eucharistic Prayer for Children

Learning Focus 4

Eucharistic Prayer

We have many things to be thankful for. Before we have a meal, we try to remember to thank God for our food.

At the Mass, the greatest meal for the parish family, we have a special prayer of thanksgiving, which we call the Eucharistic prayer. The word Eucharist actually means thanksgiving.



God our Father,
You have brought us here together
So that we can give you thanks and praise
For all the wonderful things you have done.
We thank you for all that is beautiful in the world
And for the happiness you have given us.
We praise you for daylight
And for your Word which lights up our minds.
We praise you for the earth,
And all the people who live on it,
And for our life which comes from you.
We know that you are good.
You love us and do great things for us.
So we all sing (say) together:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest*

Questions

- What does the word Eucharist mean?
- What words or phrases do you like best in the prayer and why?
- What are some of the things that we are saying 'thank you' to God, our Father for?

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Today's Task

Write your own Eucharistic Prayer. Include what you thank and praise God for.

Extension: Create an illustration to go with your prayer.



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