

# Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation

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1 Lord, we have come at your own in - vi - ta - tion,  
2 Here, at your ta - ble, con - firm our in - ten - tion;  
3 When, at your ta - ble, each time of re - turn - ing,

cho - sen by you, to be count - ed your friends;  
give it your seal of for - give - ness and grace;  
vows are re - newed and our cour - age re - stored,

yours is the strength that sus - tains ded - i - ca - tion;  
teach us to serve with - out pride or pre - ten - sion,  
may we in - creas - ing - ly glo - ry in learn - ing

ours, a com - mit - ment we know nev - er ends.  
Lord, in your king - dom, what - ev - er our place.  
all that it means to ac - cept you as Lord.

St. Augustine spoke of eucharist as “the repeatable part of baptism,” and this hymn reminds us that each time we share in the Lord’s Supper we are renewing our baptismal vows. The text is set to a tune that dates to the transition between plainchant and modern tonalities.