

A Hymn for the Time of Holy Communion

Based on Themes from the Communion Prayer of Saint John Chrysostom, "I believe, O Lord..."

Set to the melody of "Prizri, O Marije"

At Your mystic supper,
Receive me now, O Son Divine,
Though I am not worthy
To have a place at which to dine.

Refrain

I believe, O Jesus!
I confess You and say:
When You come in glory,
Remember me on that day!

You came into this world
To save the sinners, one and all.
I am first among them,
Now hear my voice and humble call:

Refrain

I will not betray You,
Your mystery I will not share,
Nor kiss You as Judas,
But with the thief will I declare:

Refrain

May Your holy myst'ries
Not be my judge, nor me condemn.
Let my soul and body
Have healing and life through them.

Refrain

This I now receive is
Your Body and Your Blood, most true.
Through them, grant me cleansing
And everlasting life with You.