

What Is This Place

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OPTIONAL INTRO:

B \flat E \flat B \flat E \flat F B \flat B \flat E \flat B \flat F

1. What is this place, where are we meet - ing?
2. Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing.
3. And we ac - cept bread at his ta - ble,

E \flat Dm Gm E \flat 7 F B \flat E \flat B \flat F

1. On - ly a house, the earth its floor. Walls and a roof, shel - ter - ing peo - ple,
2. Sparks that are sown in us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs and won - ders
3. bro - ken and shared, a liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing,

E \flat Dm Gm E \flat 7 F B \flat Dm E \flat B \flat Dm E \flat F B \flat

1. win - dows for light, an o - pen door. Yet it be - comes a bod - y that lives when
2. sent from the past are all we need. We in this place re - mem - ber and speak a -
3. we are each oth - er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re - ceive what

Gm F Gm C7 Dm B \flat E \flat B \flat E \flat F B \flat (last time) D.S.

1. we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near,
2. gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem - ing word.
3. we need to in - crease: our jus - tice and God's peace.