

CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION

THURSDAYS @ 6:15 PM

*Welcome to the Church of the Incarnation and this service of Holy Communion.
Everything you need to participate fully in the service is found in this leaflet and the accompanying insert.
Thank you for worshiping with us this evening.*

MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING SENTENCES

Lift up my eyes, O God.

Lift up my eyes to see you.

Lift up my soul to meet you.

Throw open the doors of heaven,
and let your glory shine round about me.

In moments of crucifixion, assure me of resurrection.

In moments of resurrection, help me proclaim freedom and hope.

Instill in me the confidence of your deep abiding love,
so I may surrender myself to your will
and rise when you call my name.

PRAYER BELL

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

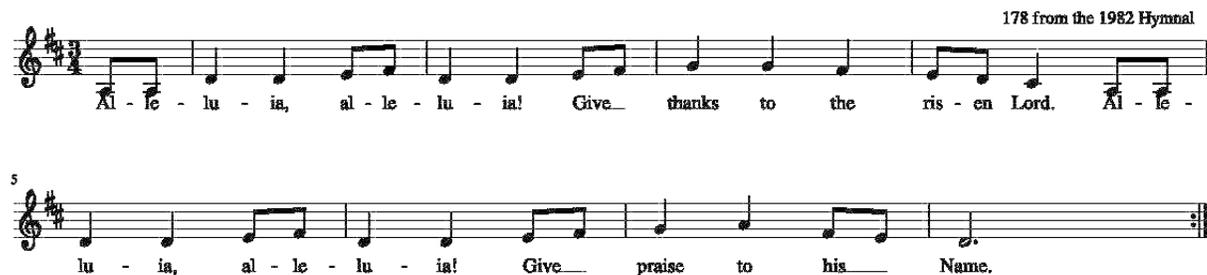
ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

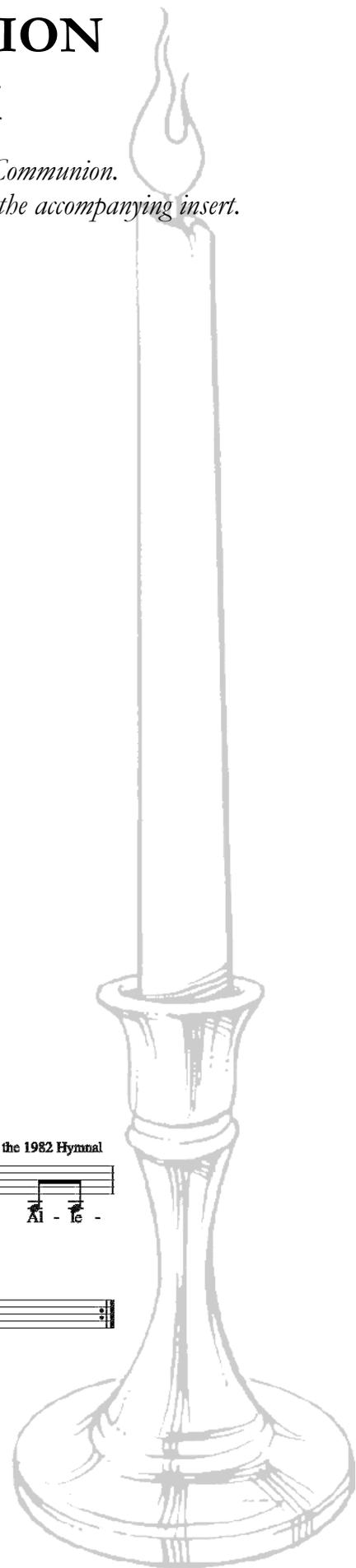
People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

All sing.

178 from the 1982 Hymnal



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his Name.



READING *All sit.*

See insert for Scripture readings.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence follows the reading.

THE GOSPEL *All stand.*

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to _____.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

At the conclusion of the reading:

Celebrant The Good News of God in Christ.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

REFLECTION ON SCRIPTURE

A period of silence follows the reflection.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Remembering the mighty acts of God who has delivered us from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us offer our prayers for the church and the world.

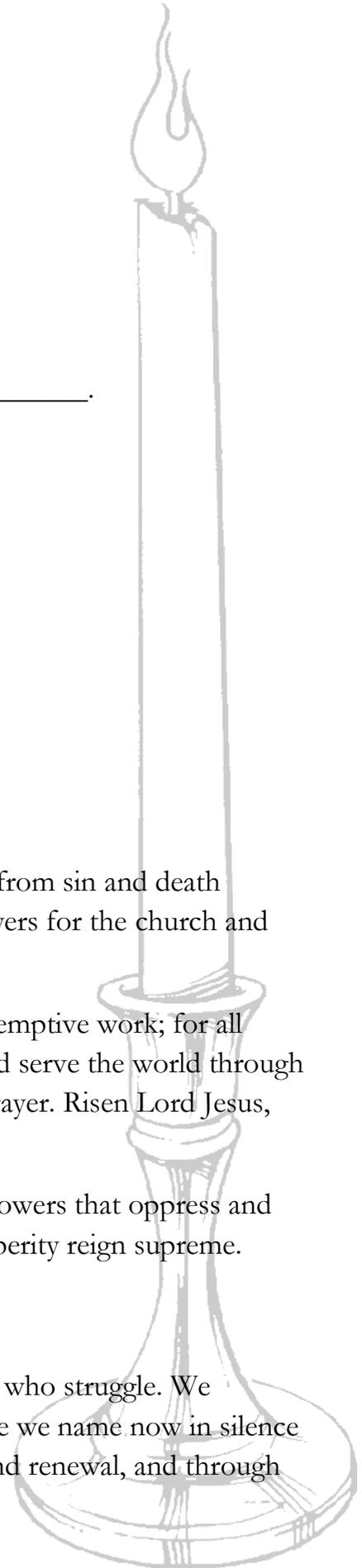
Leader We pray for the church, that it may carry forward God's redemptive work; for all bishops and other ministers, for all who serve the church and serve the world through the church, and for those gathered here in worship and in prayer. Risen Lord Jesus,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may be dismantled, and that justice, peace, and prosperity reign supreme. Risen Lord Jesus,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, and those who struggle. We remember especially those on our parish prayer list and those we name now in silence or aloud.... May the hope born of Easter give them peace and renewal, and through



their difficulty may they come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores. Risen Lord Jesus,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for all those coming to a deeper knowledge of God. May the joy of your resurrection ever grow within them, and the Spirit guide them in love and service. Risen Lord Jesus,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for all who have crossed over from death to life and for those who mourn their loss. May they be sustained by the good news of your triumph over the grave, opening the gate to everlasting life. Risen Lord Jesus,

People **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Receive our prayers, Almighty God, and transform us through them, that we may have eyes to see and hearts to understand not only what you do on our behalf, but what you call us to do on yours, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *All stand.*

Celebrant The Risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' And they were filled with joy. The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

GREETINGS

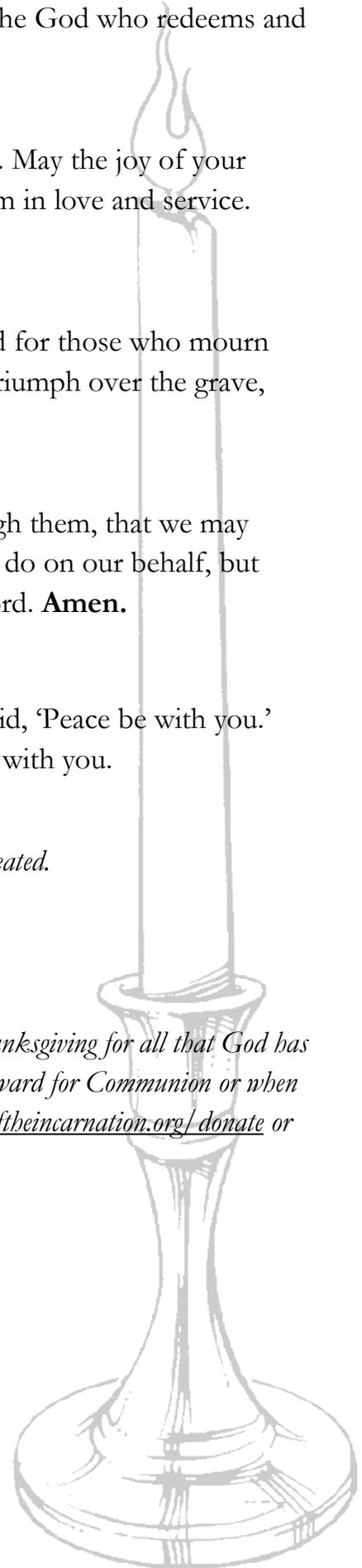
THE HOLY COMMUNION

We invite your offering for the support of the Church's mission in the world, and in thanksgiving for all that God has provided. You may place your offering in the stationary offering plate when coming forward for Communion or when departing the service. To make a one time or recurring gift online, please visit churchoftheincarnation.org/donate or scan the QR code below.



Thank you for your generosity.

OFFERTORY HYMN *(see insert)*



THE HOLY EUCHARIST *All stand.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, wind, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

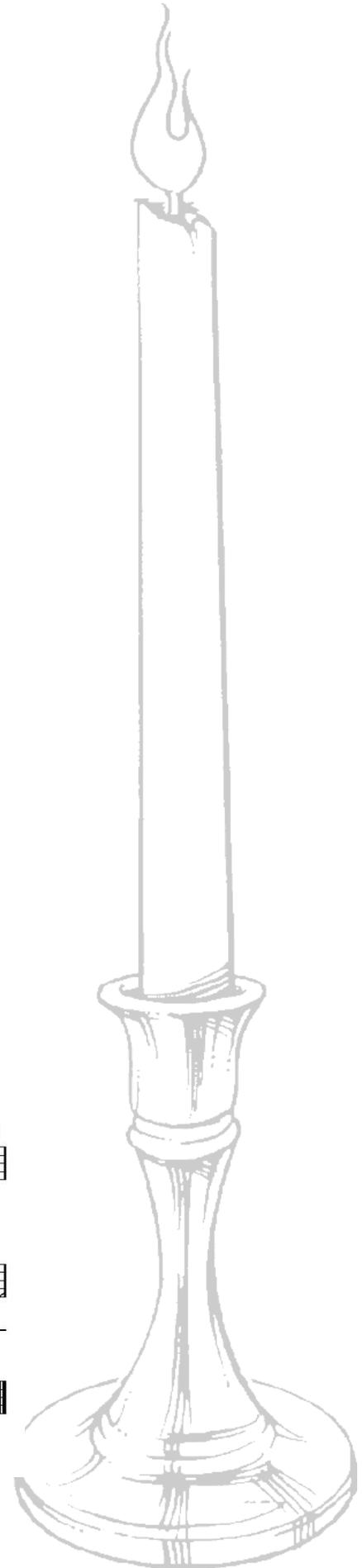
Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS

Melissa Fogarty

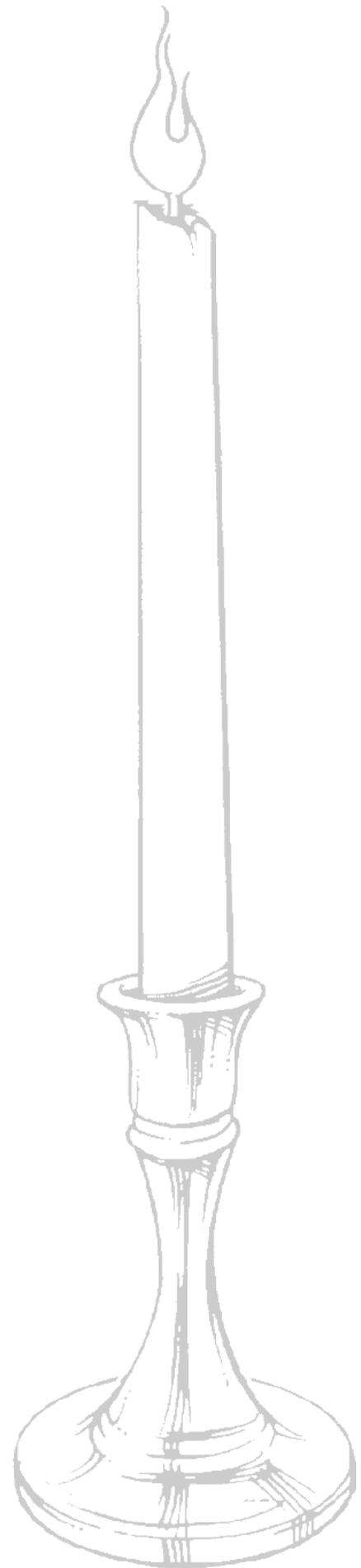


The people kneel or remain standing as the Celebrant continues.

Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.
Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.



Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
with all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior has taught us, we now pray.

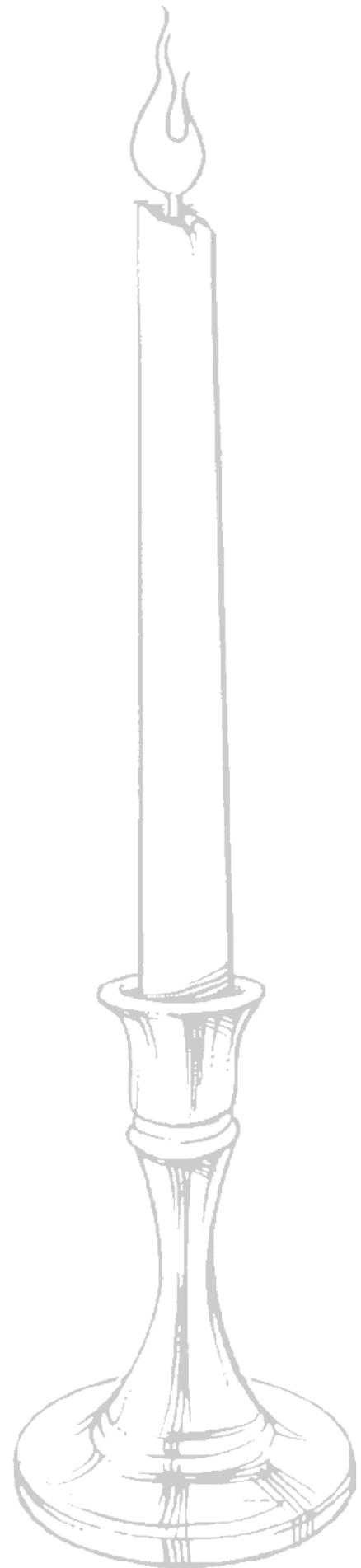
All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silent reflection is observed.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**



AGNUS DEI *All sing.*



Musical score for Agnus Dei, featuring three staves of music with lyrics. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. Grant us peace." The score includes first, second, and third endings.

From Incarnation Easter Mass. Melissa Fogarty (2007)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

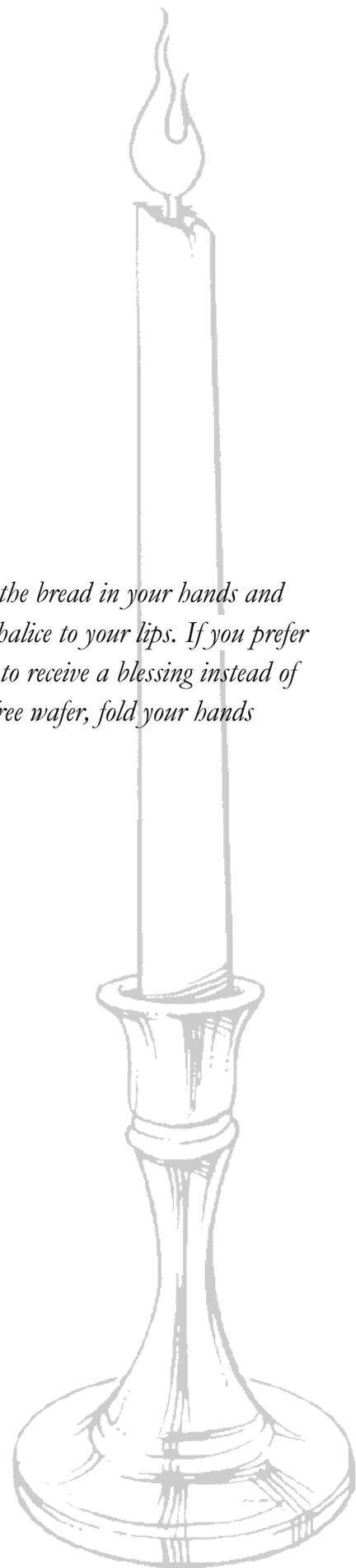
Please stand in a semi-circle around the altar to receive Communion. You may take the bread in your hands and then take a sip of wine from the chalice, guiding the chalice bearer's hand to bring the chalice to your lips. If you prefer not to receive the wine, simply return to your seat after receiving the bread. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, simply fold your arms across your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, fold your hands downward.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be set free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace.

People **Thanks be to God.**

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

HELP MAKE WORSHIP MEANINGFUL

We are looking for volunteers to serve as lay readers, ushers, and members of the Altar Guild, who assist in preparing the Lord's Table for services of Holy Communion.

Please contact the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org if you would like to learn more about serving in one of these roles at Candlelight Communion.

