

# 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

### PRAYER BELL

*Please stand at the sound of the bell.*

### OPENING SENTENCES AND CONFESSION

*Celebrant* If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins  
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- 1 John 1:8, 9

Let us in silence confess our faults and admit our frailty.

*Silence is kept.*

Before God, with the people of God,  
I confess to my brokenness:  
To the ways I wound my life,  
The lives of others,  
And the life of the world.

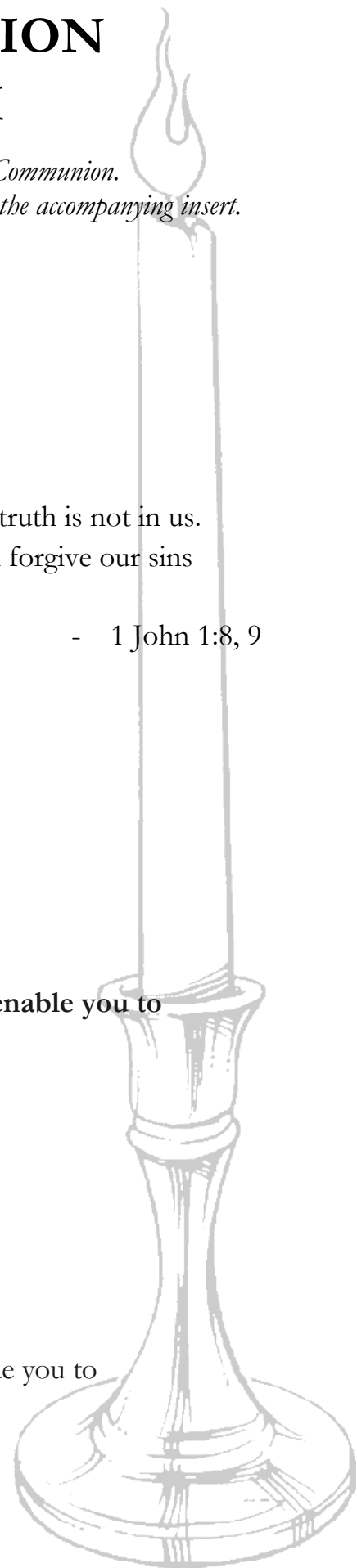
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grow in love.**

*Celebrant* Amen.

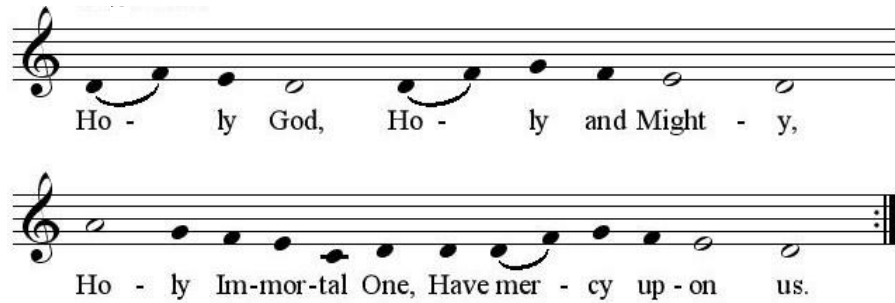
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grow in love.

*People* **Amen.**



**TRISAGION** *All sing three times.*



Setting: From *Incarnation Candlelight Mass* by Melissa Fogarty (2007)

**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**

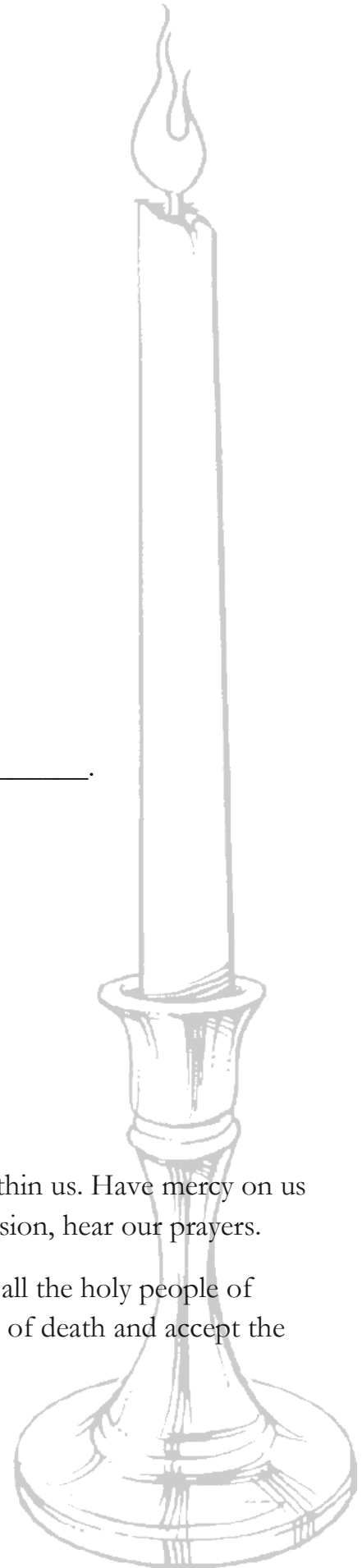
*A period of silence follows the reflection.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Celebrant* Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Have mercy on us according to your loving kindness, and in your great compassion, hear our prayers.

*Leader* We pray for the whole church, all leaders and ministers, and all the holy people of God. May we who confess Jesus as Lord put aside the deeds of death and accept the life of your kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **hear our prayer.**



*Leader* We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge, that your light may lead their way to justice and truth. Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for freedom, those who live under the threat of terror, and those without a place to lay their head. Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for all who are tormented or tempted to despair. Help us to be beacons of your hope and vessels of your love. Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for those people whose names, faces, or needs are placed upon our hearts. We remember especially those on our parish prayer list and those we name now in silence or aloud.... Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for those who rest in Christ, who have entered into the land of eternal light and your abiding peace. Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* God of infinite goodness, throughout the ages you have persevered in claiming and reclaiming your people.

*All* **Renew for us your call to repentance, surround us with witnesses to aid us in our journey, and grant us grace to fashion our lives anew, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near to God, for Christ is our peace. The peace of Christ be always with you.

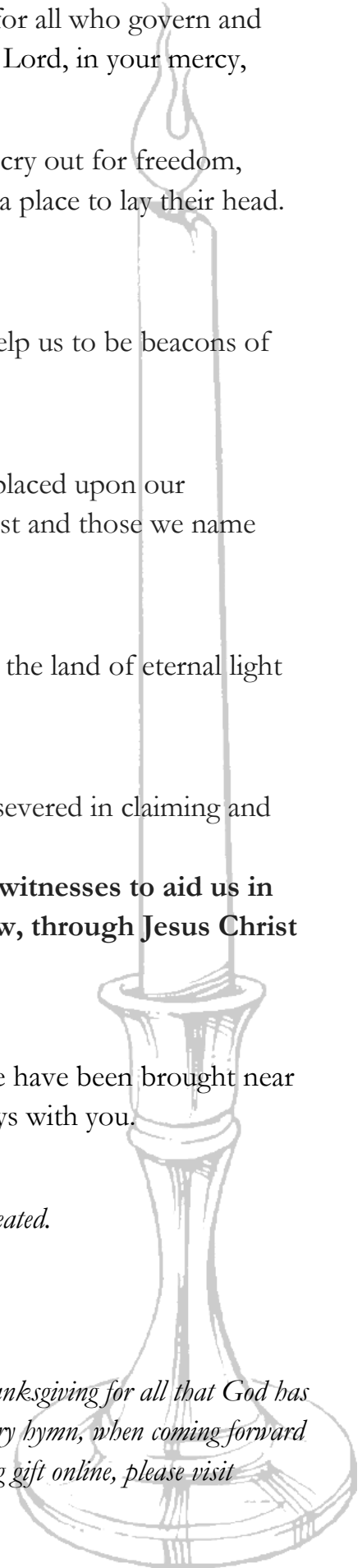
*People* **And also with you.**

*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 during the offertory hymn, when coming forward for Communion, or when departing the service. To make a one time or recurring gift online, please visit*



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**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.**

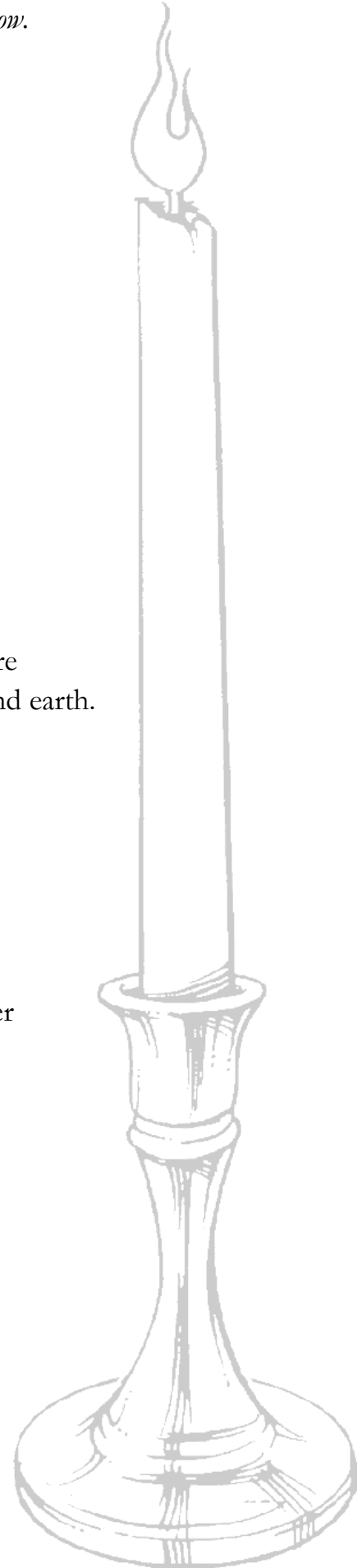
*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, and therefore helps us when we are tested.

By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS** *All sing.*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Plainsong; Mass 18; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

*The people kneel or remain standing as the Celebrant continues.*

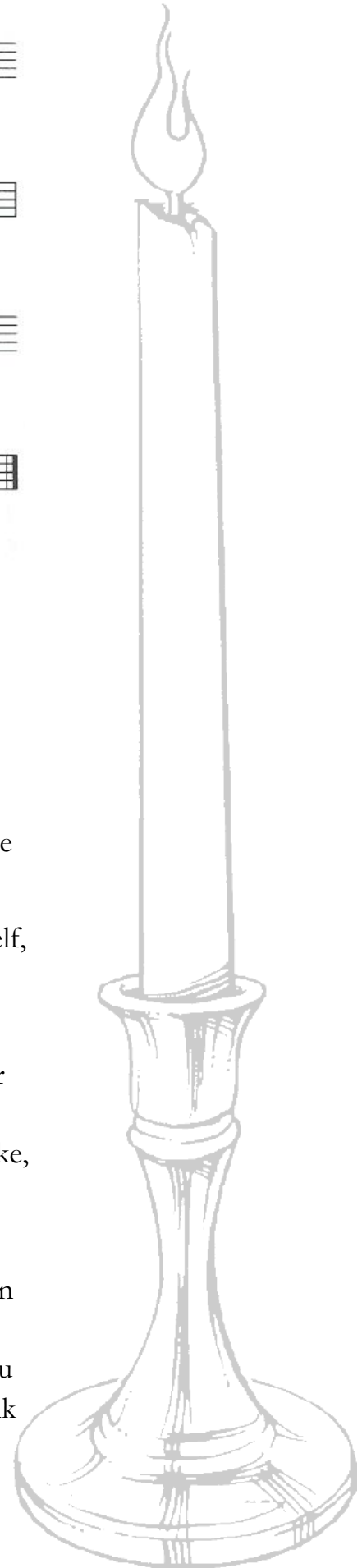
*Celebrant*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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,**

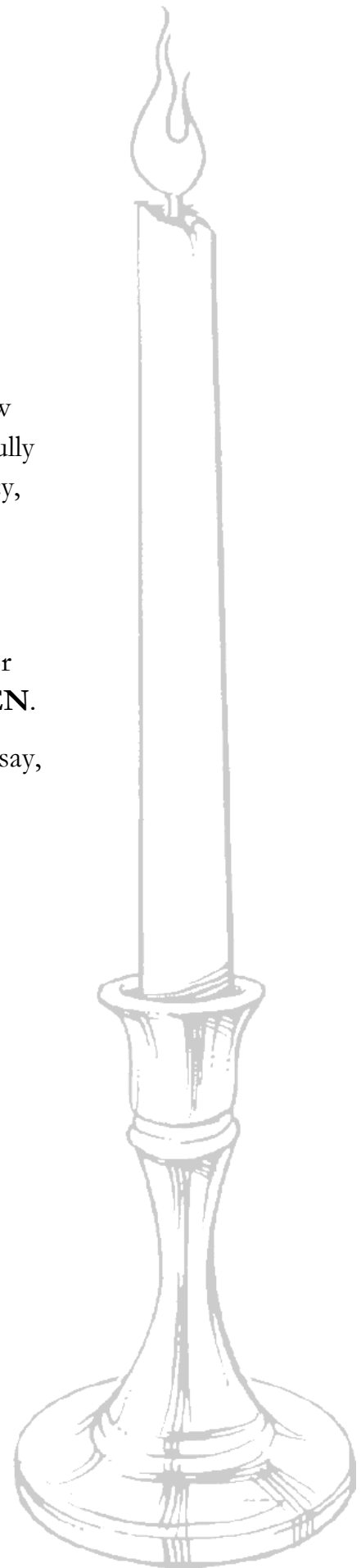
**and the power, and the glory**

**for ever and ever.**

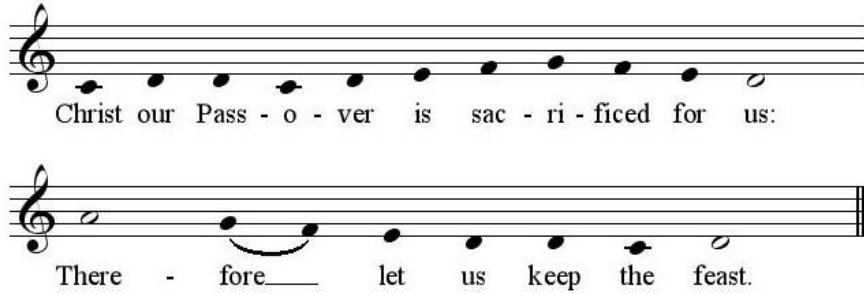
**Amen.**

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*A period of silent reflection is observed.*



## FRACTION ANTHEM *All sing.*



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## 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, fold your arms across your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, fold your hands downward.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

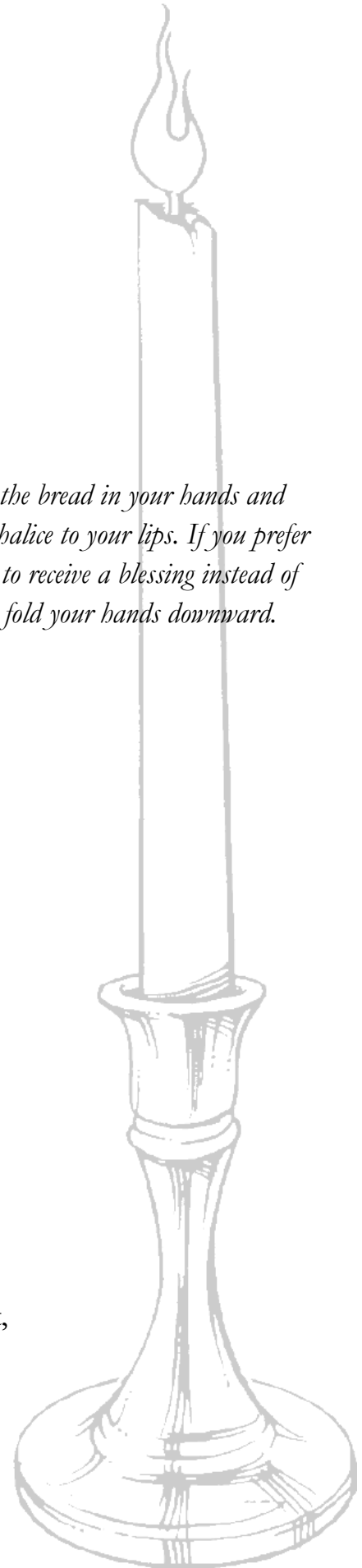
## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit,  
give to you a contrite heart.  
May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree,  
heal you by his wounds.  
May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth,



speak to you words of pardon and peace.

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.

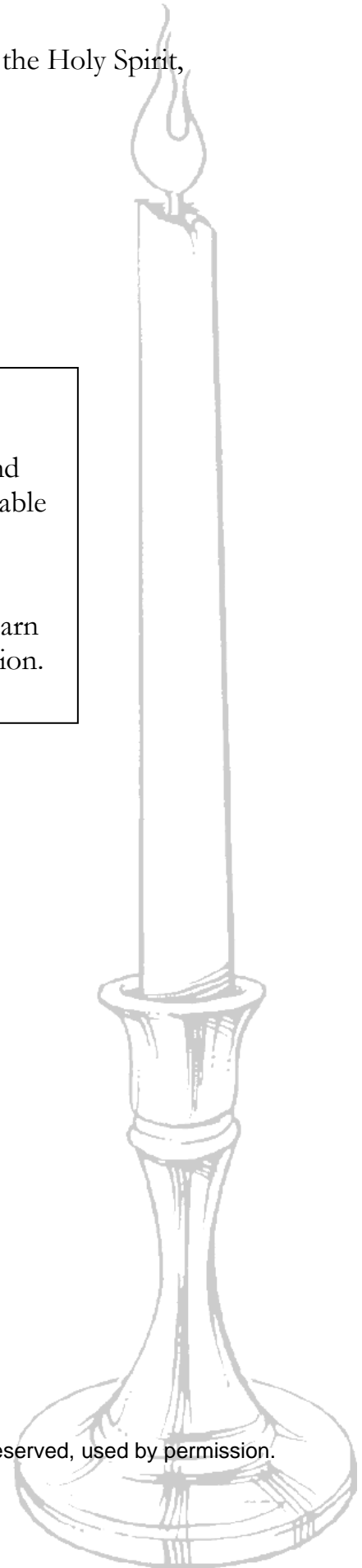
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## 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](mailto:adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org) if you would like to learn more about serving in one of these roles at Candlelight Communion.



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