

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.*

MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING SENTENCES

Now do I relax and let God
be the breath I breathe,
be the steady beat of my heart,
be the strength of every muscle,
be the flexibility of every joint,
be the nourishment of every cell,
be the functioning of every organ.
So relaxing and so letting be,
I am now filled with God's life,
renewed with God's strength,
made whole and radiant
in mind and body, as in spirit.
Rested, healed, perfected in all ways,
I rejoice and give thanks to God.
I relax and let God be my life.

- Healing Meditation by Elizabeth Searle Lamb

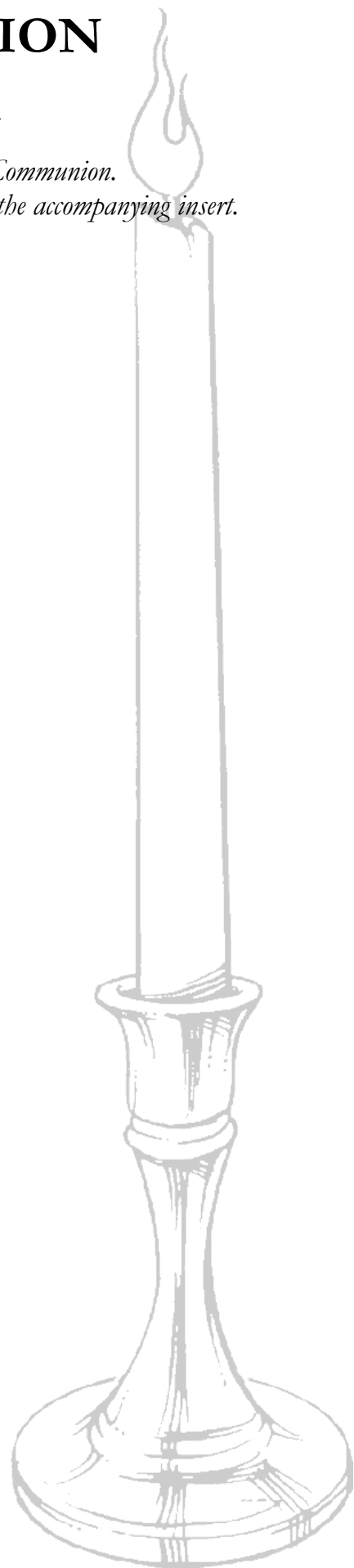
PRAYER BELL

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GLORIA *All sing.*





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.

MUSIC BEFORE THE GOSPEL *All stand.*



THE GOSPEL

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 Let us pray to the God of compassion made manifest in Jesus Christ.

Leader For the church throughout the world and for all who proclaim the message of God's healing love. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader For the leaders of the world and for all who promote human dignity. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader For the sick in body, mind or spirit, especially those on our parish prayer list and those we name now in silence or aloud...; and for all who assist them with hands of healing. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader For those burdened by anxious days and sleepless nights. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader For those whose labor is hard and whose wages are inadequate. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader For those who have passed through suffering and death and for the dawn of eternal life in God's presence. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader For repentant hearts when we fail you, and for the assurance of your unfailing forgiveness. Lord, in your mercy,

People **hear our prayer.**

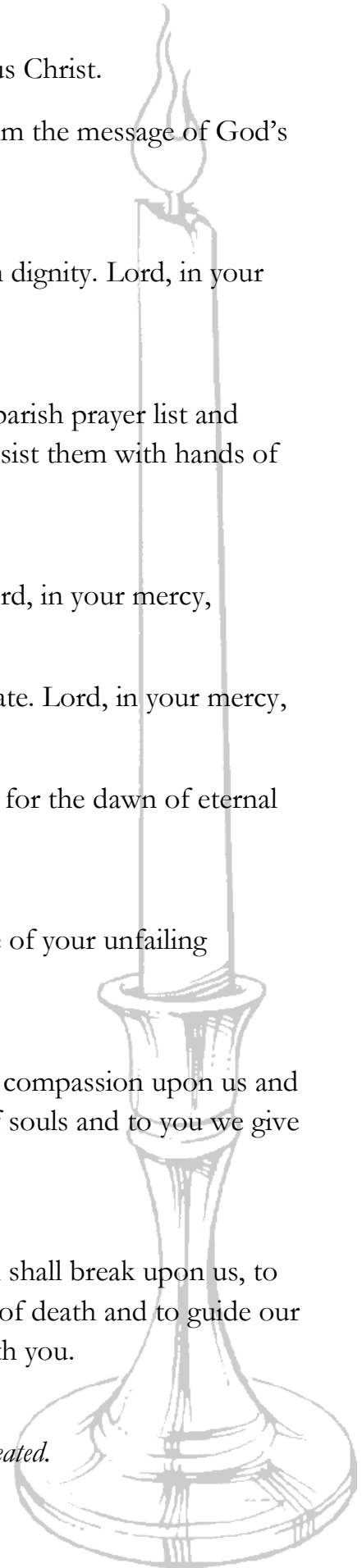
Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, accept our prayers and look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls and to you we give glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *All stand.*

Celebrant In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death and to guide our feet into the way of 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 churchoftheincarnation.org/donate or scan the QR code below.



Thank you for your generosity.

OFFERTORY HYMN *(see insert)*

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.**

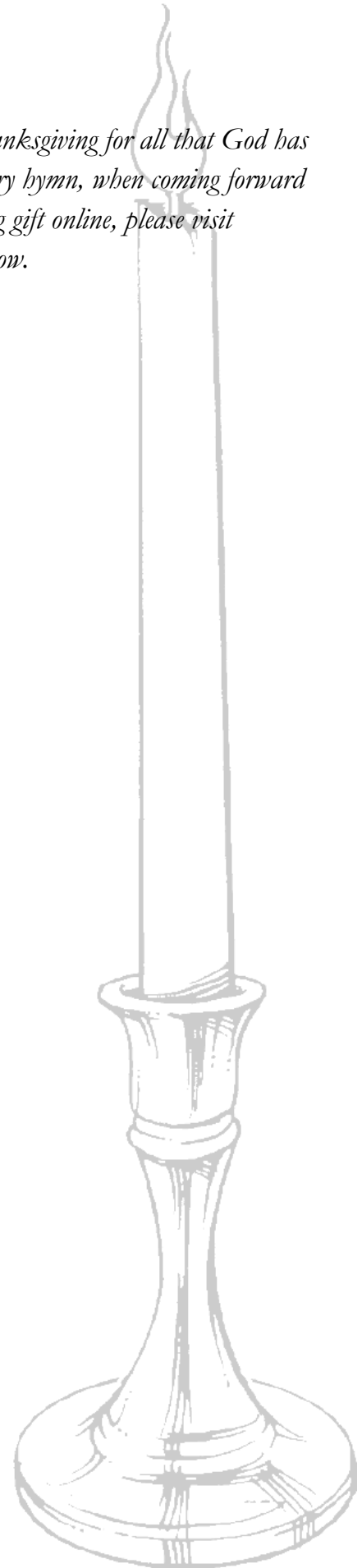
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant It is the joy of our salvation, God of the universe,
to give you thanks through Jesus Christ.
You said, 'Let there be light' and there was light.
Your light shines on in our darkness.
You created us to hear your Word, to do your will,
And to be fulfilled in your love.

And now we give you thanks because,
in the mystery of the Word made flesh,
you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts
to give the knowledge of your glory
in the face of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, with all your witnesses
who surround us on every side,
countless as heaven's stars,



we praise you with loving and joyful hearts
and join in their unending song:

SANCTUS

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

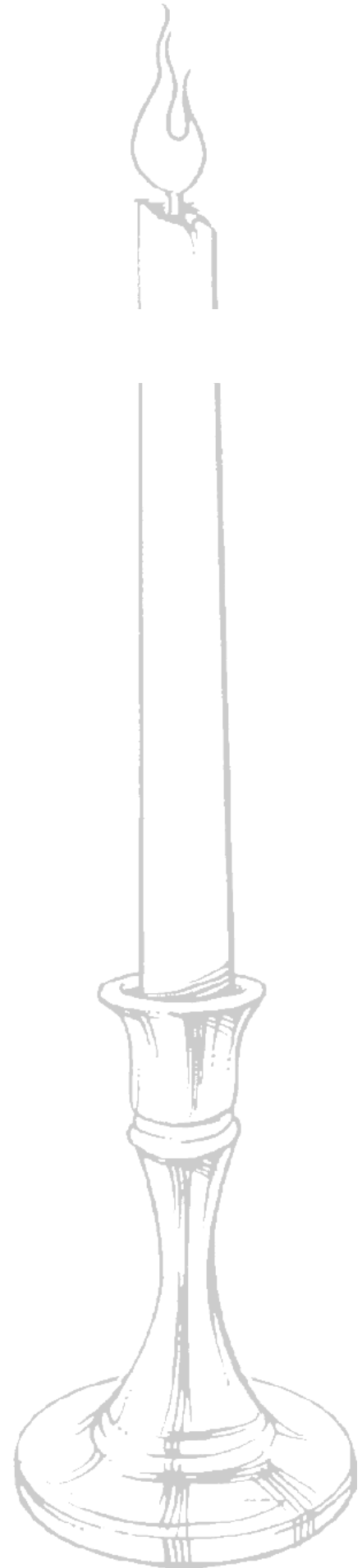
The people kneel or remain standing as the Celebrant continues.

Celebrant Blessed are you, most holy God;
for on the night before he died
our Lord Jesus took bread and gave you thanks.
He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat, this is my body
which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper, he took the cup,
and gave you thanks.
He gave it to them and said:
Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant,
shed for you, shed for all,
to forgive sin;
do this to remember me.

Therefore with this bread and wine
we recall your goodness to us
in Christ's life, death and resurrection
and we offer ourselves to you,
a living sacrifice to the praise of his name.

Breathe your Spirit upon this bread and wine
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit upon us
that we who receive Christ's body
may indeed be the body of Christ,



and we who share his cup
draw strength from the one true vine.

Called to follow Christ,
help us to reconcile to one another and unite together.
For you, the heavenly One, make all things new.
Praise, honor and glory be yours,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
here and everywhere,
now and forever. **AMEN.**

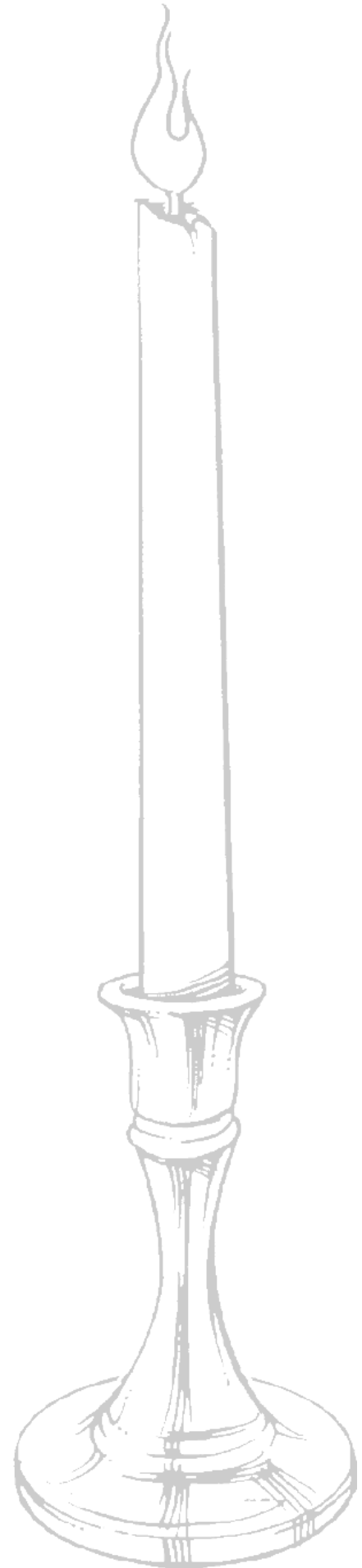
As our Savior has taught us, we now pray.

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
forever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silent reflection is observed.



Cantor
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

All
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us

All
keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Holy Eucharist is the meal that has traditionally nourished the baptized in their life of faith. 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. Or you may intinct (dip the wafer into the wine). 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

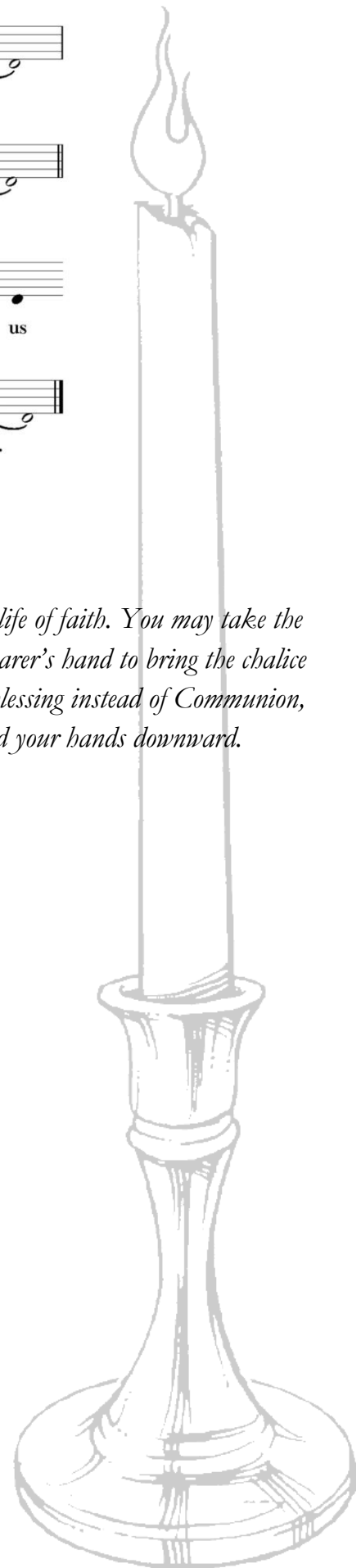
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Loving God, we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our
Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;



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.

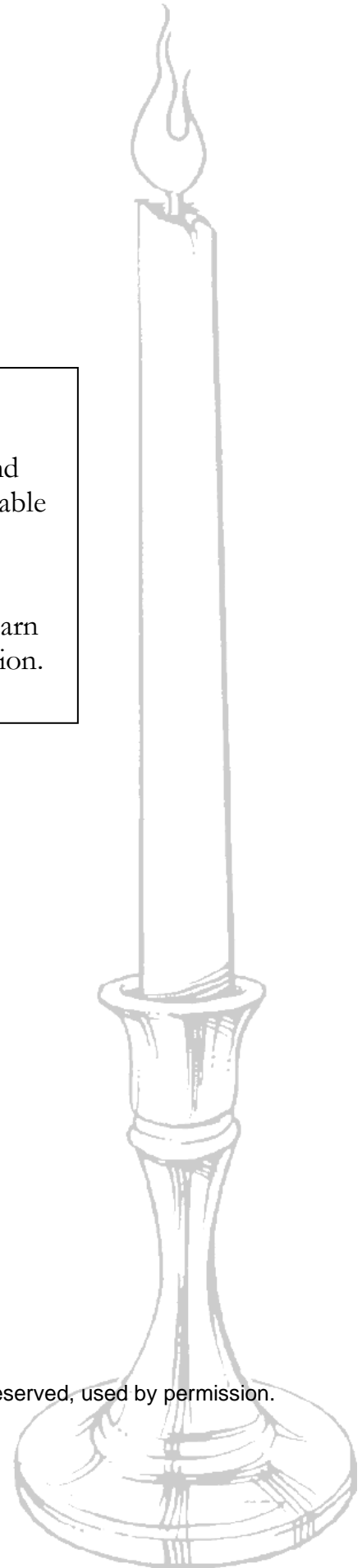
People **Thanks be to God.**

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.



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