

Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran!



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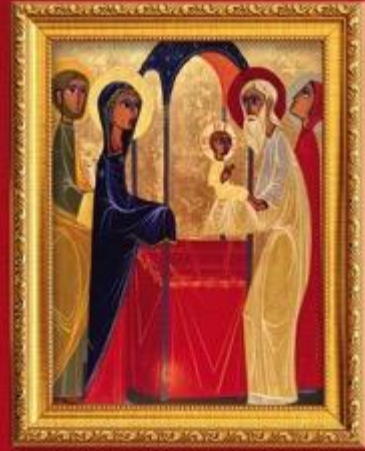
LUKE 2:30

**1st Sunday after Christmas – December 31, 2017
8:30 a.m.**

Call to Worship

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light.

**The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not
overcome it.**



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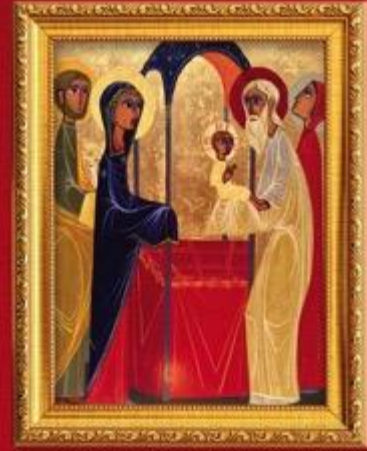
Call to Worship

Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

**We have beheld Christ's glory,
glory as of the only Son from the
Father.**

To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

**In the Word was life, and the life
was the light of all people.**



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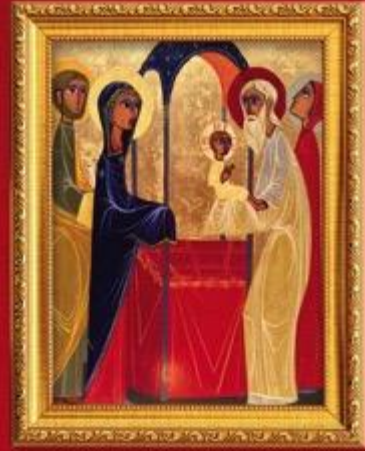
Opening Song – “Angels We Have Heard on High”

ELW 289

1 Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply,
echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain

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gloria in excelsis Deo.



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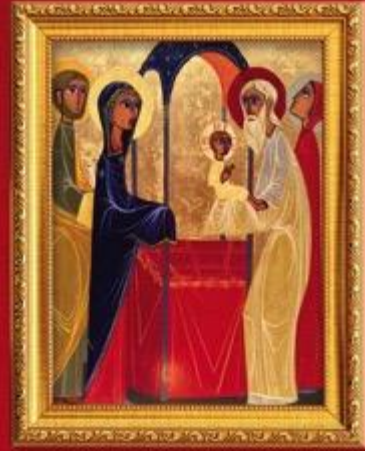
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2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heav'nly song?

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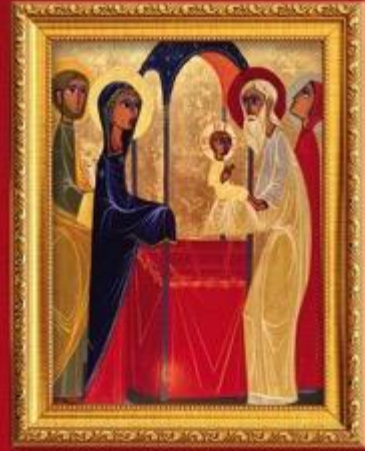
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3 Come to Bethlehem and see
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn king.

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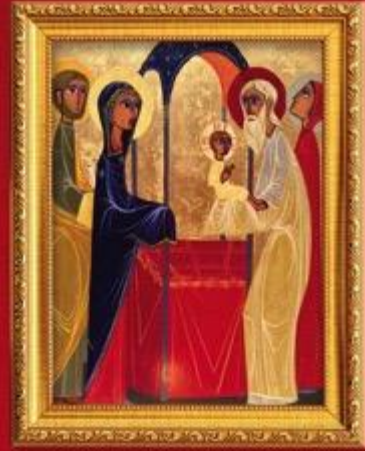


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Opening Prayer

Let us pray. Almighty God,
**you have filled us with the new
light of the Word who became flesh
and lived among us. Let the light of
our faith shine in all we do;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.**



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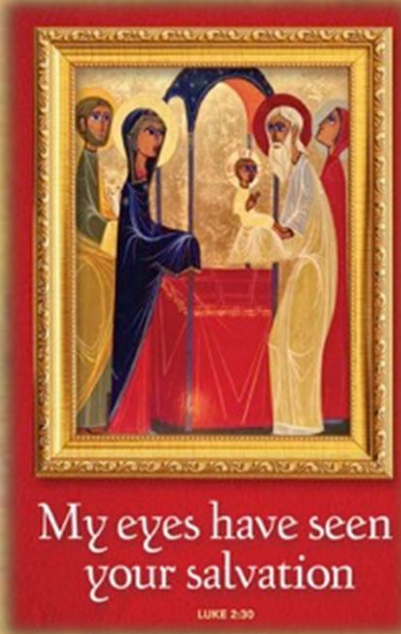
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Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

- **Sunday 12/31/17**
 - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
- **Thursday 1/4/18**
 - 6:00 p.m. – Parish Team @ First
- **Friday 1/5/18**
 - 9:00 a.m. – Bible Study @ Immanuel
- **Sunday 1/7/17**
 - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
 - 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School @ Immanuel
 - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
 - 6:30 p.m. – Confirmation @ Immanuel

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December 31, 2017

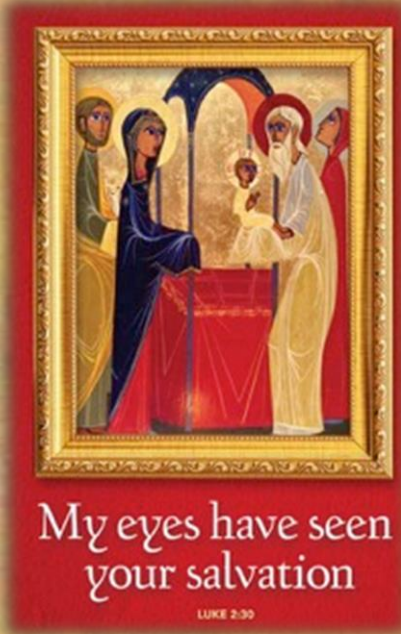
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Advent Tree



- ***This is the Last Sunday!***
Get your ornaments before it's too late!
- ***Purchase an ornament for your tree or for a loved one***
- ***Each ornament purchased provides a meal for a family in Romania***

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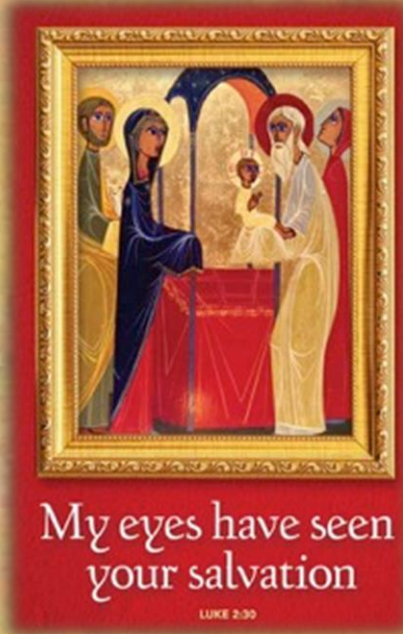
Noisy Offering

During Advent and Christmas there will be a special “noisy offering. **Also the last Sunday!** It will go to offset **Sunday!** the Chr

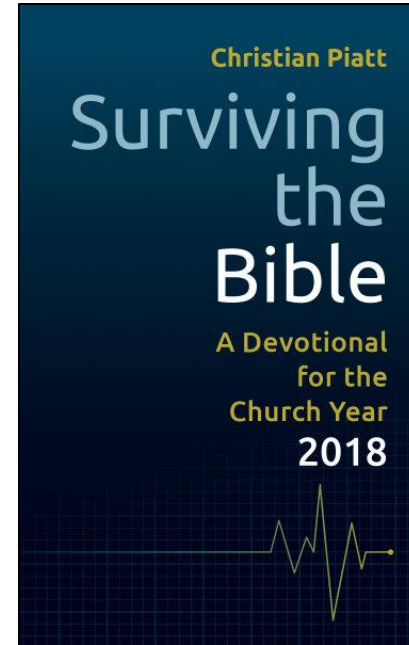
boxes and meals we are providing for families in Romania through Another Child Foundation.



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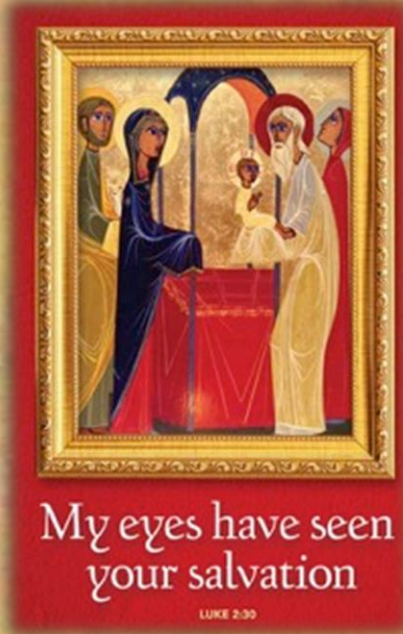


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*Sign up in the
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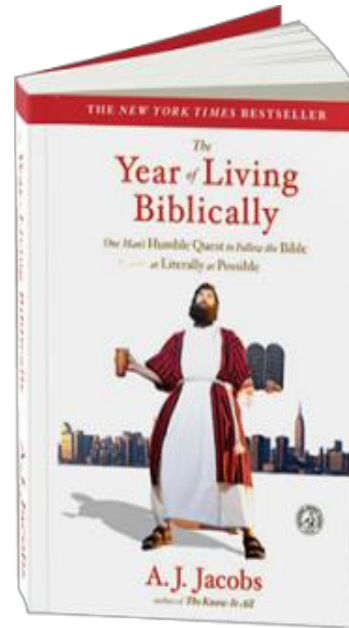
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**4th Sunday
Readers**

**January 28th
6:00 p.m.**

*Reserve your
book today!*

WORD: Service of Lessons & Carols

FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

SONG - ELW #288

SECOND READING: Micah 5:2-5a

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THIRD READING: Luke 1:26-35, 38

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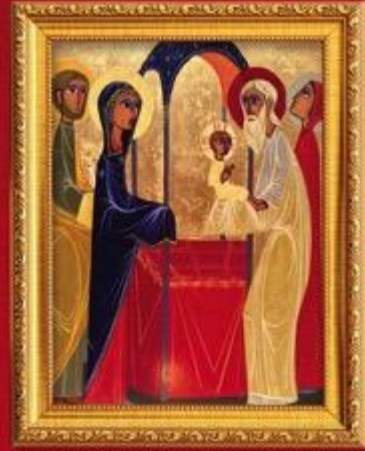


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Song – *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” ELW 288*

1 Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
ox and ass before him bow,
and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

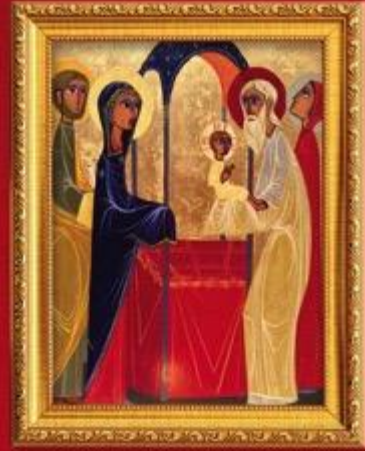


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2 Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door,
and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

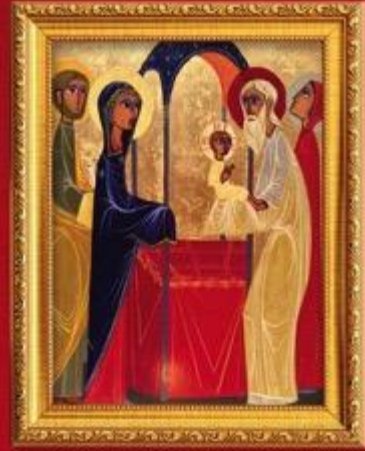


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Calls you one and calls you all
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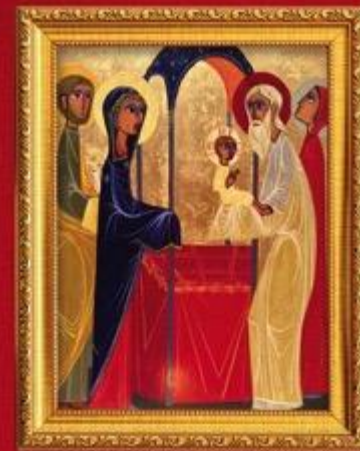
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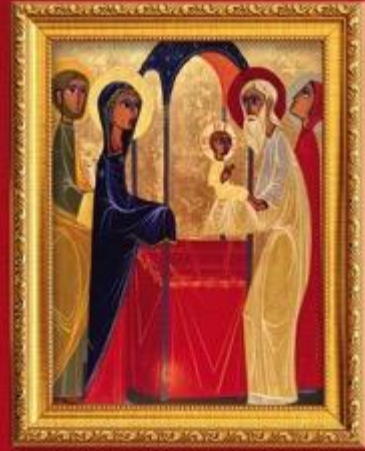
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Song – “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

ELW 279 (v. 1-2, 4)

1 O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless
sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.



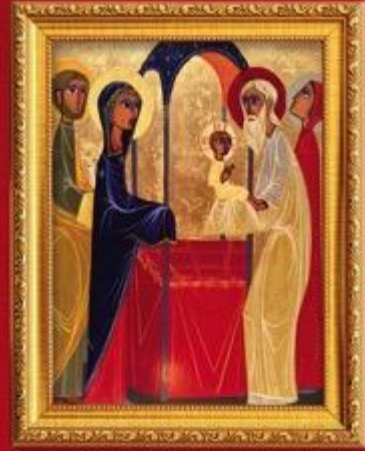
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2 For Christ is born of Mary,
and, gathered all above
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the king,
and peace to all the earth!



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4 O holy child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin, and enter in,
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell;
oh, come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Immanuel!



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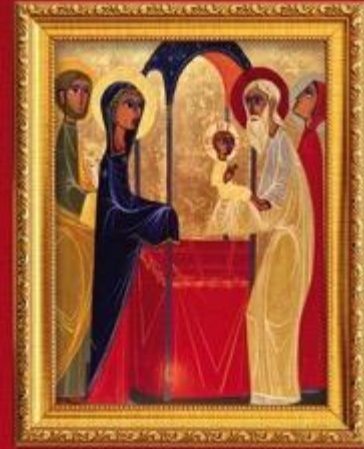
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Song – “My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness”

ELW 251 (v. 1-3)

1 My soul proclaims your greatness,
Lord;
I sing my Savior's praise!
You looked upon my lowliness,
and I am full of grace.
Now ev'ry land and ev'ry age
this blessing shall proclaim--
great wonders you have done for me,
and holy is your name.



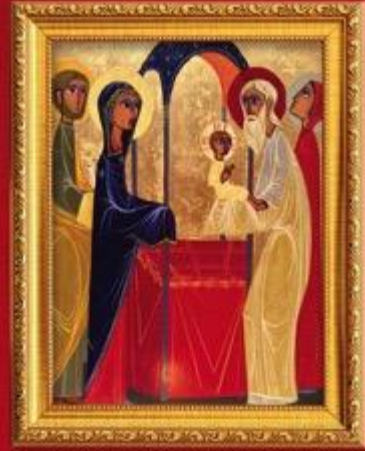
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2 To all who live in holy fear
your mercy ever flows.
With mighty arm you dash the proud,
their scheming hearts expose.
The ruthless you have cast aside,
the lowly throned instead;
the hungry filled with all good things,
the rich sent off unfed.



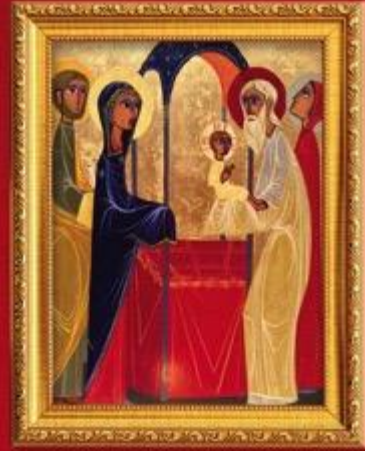
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3 To Israel, your servant blest,
your help is ever sure;
the promise to our parents made
their children will secure.
Sing glory to the Holy One,
give honor to the Word,
and praise the Pow'r of the Most High,
one God, by all adored.



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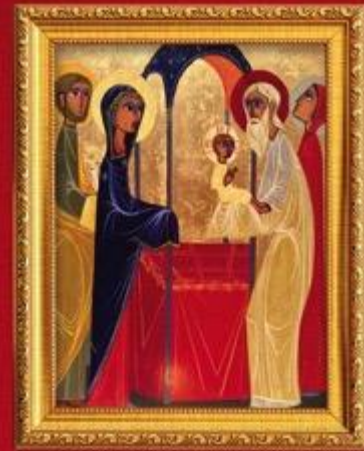
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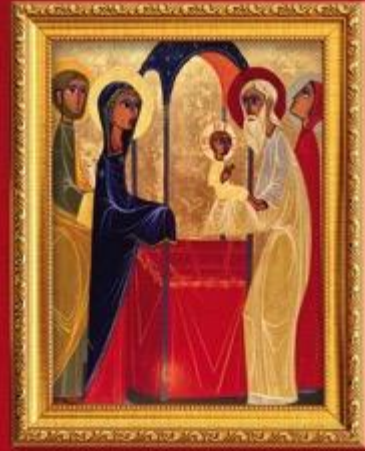


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Song – “*Away in the Manger*” – *ELW 277*

- 1 Away in a manger, no crib for his bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

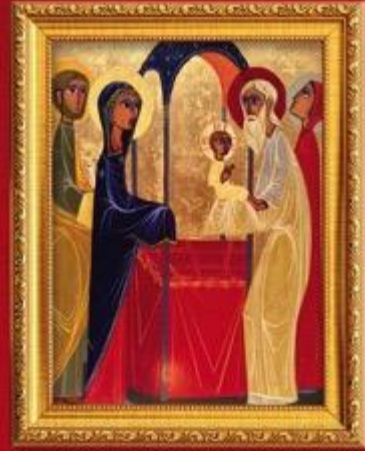


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2 The cattle are lowing; the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes. I
love you, Lord Jesus; look down from the
sky and stay by my cradle till morning is
nigh.

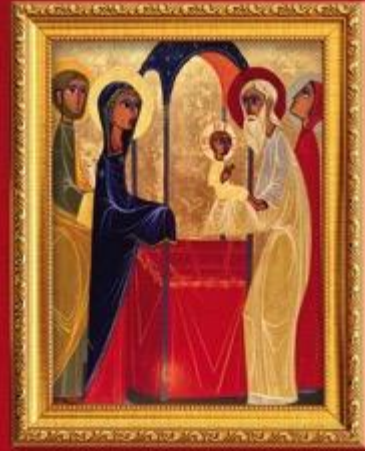


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3 Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you to stay close by me forever and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in your tender care and fit us for heaven, to live with you there.



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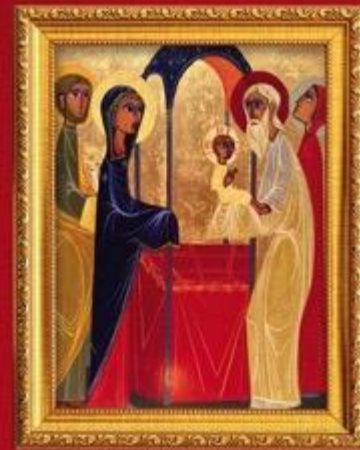
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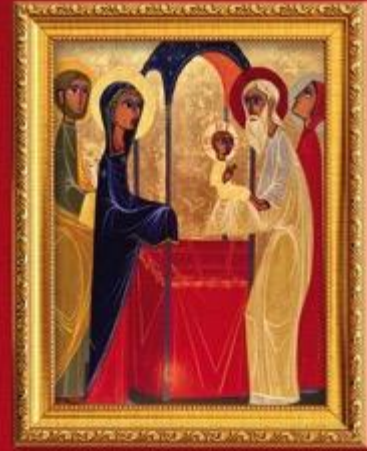
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Song – *“Angels, From the Realms of Glory”*

ELW 275 (v. 1-2)

1 Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
once you sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.



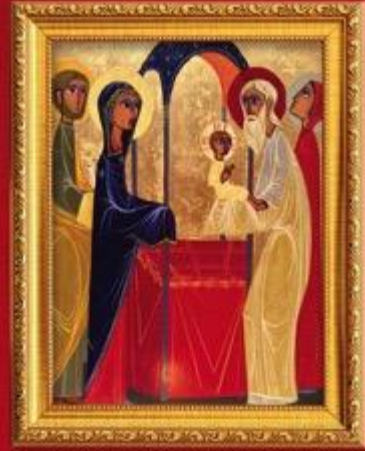
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ELW 275 (v. 1-2)

2 Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
yonder shines the infant light.
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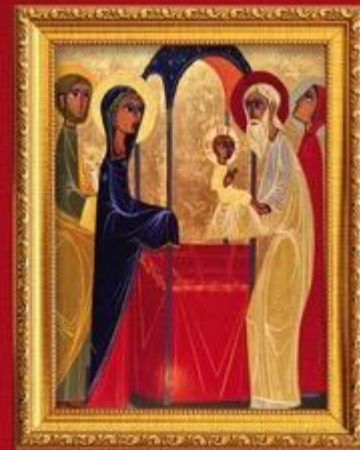
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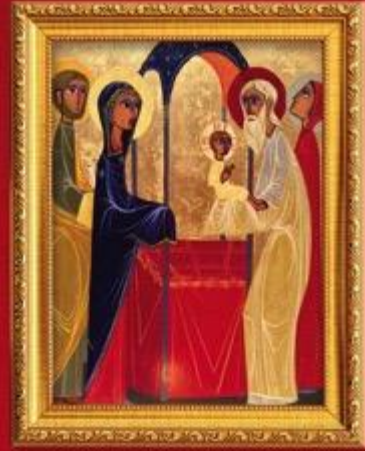
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Song – *“That Boy-Child of Mary”* - ELW 293 (v. 1-3)

Refrain

That boy-child of Mary was born in a stable,
a manger his cradle in Bethlehem

- 1 What shall we call him, child of the manger?
What name is given in Bethlehem?



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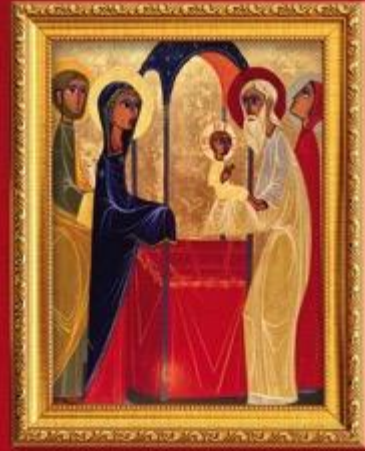
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2 His name is Jesus, God ever with us, God
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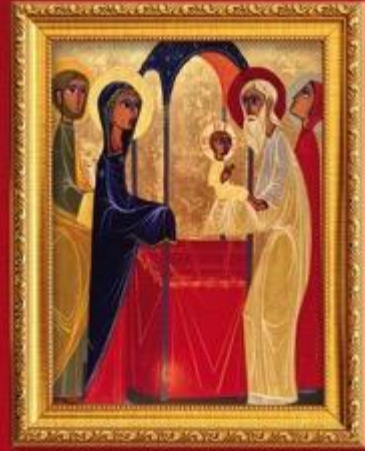
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Song – “*That Boy-Child of Mary*” - *ELW 293* (v. 1-3)

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3 How can he save us, how can he help us,
born here among us in Bethlehem? *Refrain*



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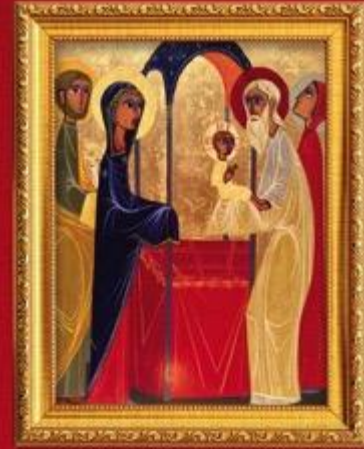
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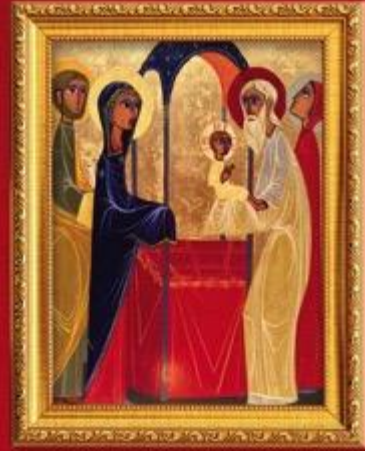
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Song – “The First Noel” – ELW 300 (v. 1,3,5)

1 The first Noel the angel did say was to
certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!
Born is the King of Israel.



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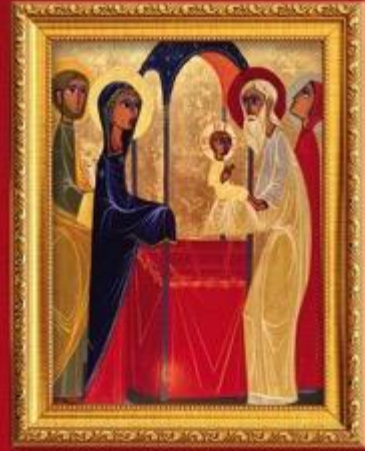
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3 And by the light of that same star
three wise men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent,
and to follow the star wherever it went.

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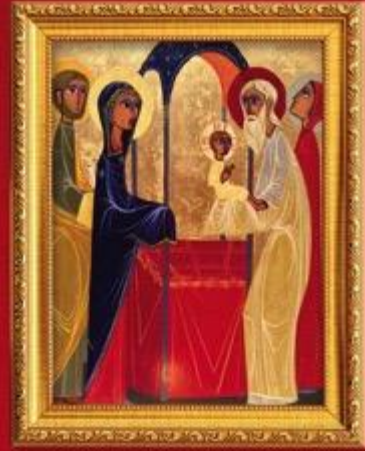
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Song – *“The First Noel”* – *ELW 300 (v. 1,3,5)*

5 Then entered in those wise men three, full
rev'rently upon their knee, and offered there
in his presence their gold, and myrrh, and
frankincense.

Refrain

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!
Born is the King of Israel.



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FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

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SECOND READING: Micah 5:2-5a

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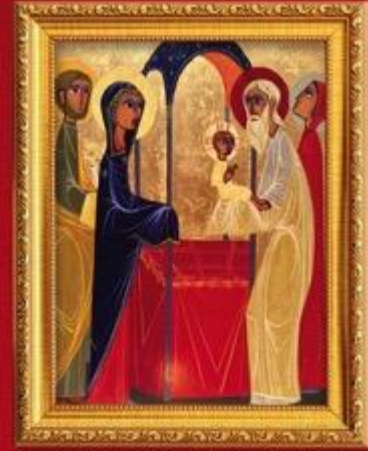
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Song – “Your Little Ones Dear Lord”

ELW 286 (v. 1-2)

1 Your little ones, dear Lord, are we,
and come your lowly bed to see;
enlighten ev'ry soul and mind,
that we the way to you may find.



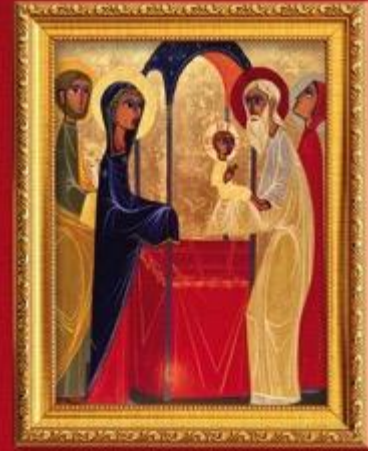
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Song – “Your Little Ones Dear Lord”

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2 With songs we hasten you to greet,
and kiss the ground before your feet.
Oh, blessed hour, oh, sweetest night
that gave you birth, our soul's delight.



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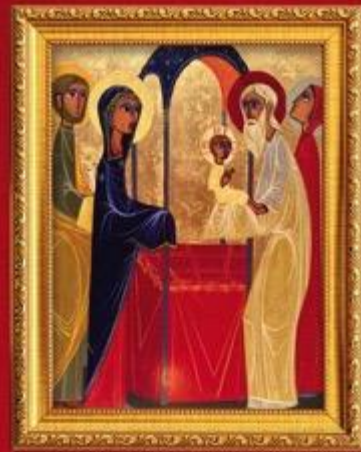
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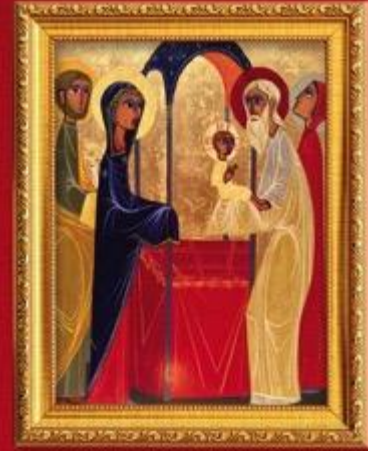
Song – “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

ELW 270 (v. 1-2)

1 Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king; peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled." Joyful, all you nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies; with angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"



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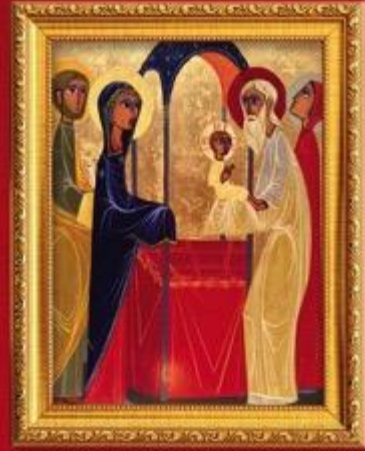
Song – “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

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2 Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ,
the everlasting Lord, late in time behold
him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail,
incarnate deity! Pleased as man with us to
dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel

Refrain

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"



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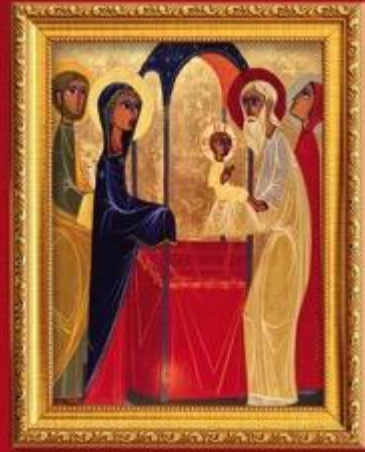
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Responsive Prayer

Glory to God in the highest,
**and peace to God's people on
earth.**

Blessed are you, Prince of peace. You
rule the earth with truth and justice.

**Send your gift of peace to all
nations of the world.**



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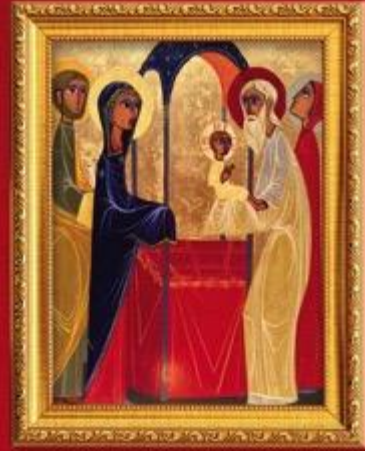
Responsive Prayer

Blessed are you, Son of Mary. You share our humanity.

**Have mercy on the sick, the dying,
and all who suffer this day.**

Blessed are you, Son of God. You dwell among us as the Word made flesh.

**Reveal yourself to us in word and
sacrament that we may bear your
light to all the world.**



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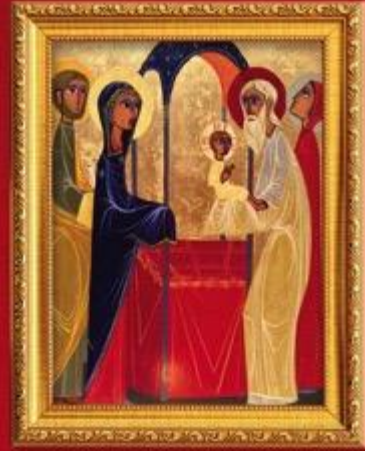
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Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

*Please turn to those around you and
share a sign of God's peace.*



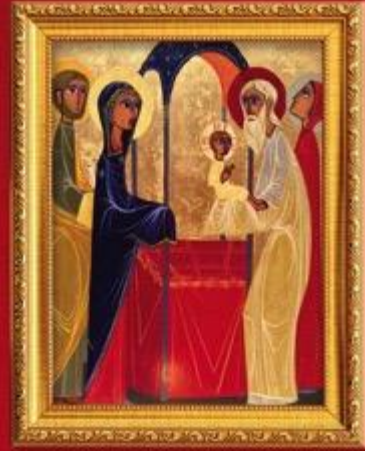
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Offering

We respond to God's grace by offering what God has first given us so that the good news of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed through the ministries of Immanuel & First Lutheran Churches.
Thank you for your generous response.



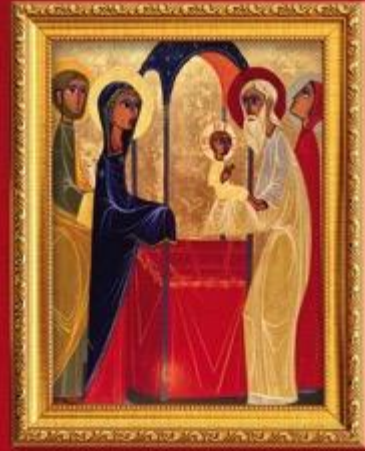
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Good and loving God,
**we rejoice in the birth of Jesus,
who came among the poor to bring
the riches of your grace. As you
have blessed us with your gifts, let
them be blessing for others. With
the trees of the field, with all earth
and heaven, we shout for joy at the
coming of your Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.**



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Communion

The Lord be with you.

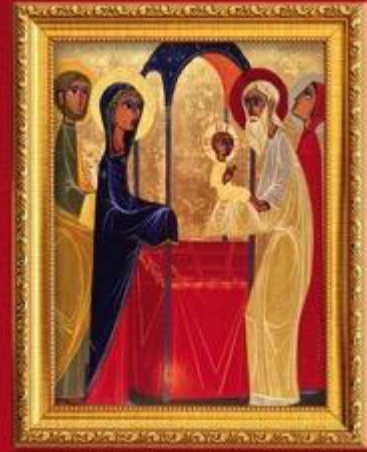
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and
praise.**



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Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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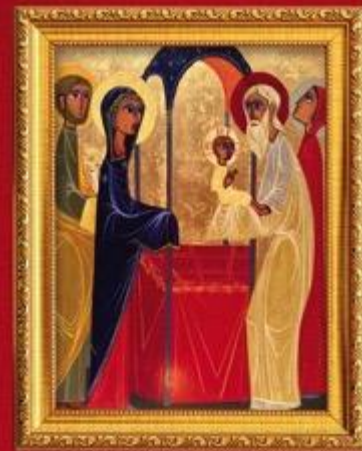
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Communion

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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Communion

please join in singing:

**Our father in heaven, all praise to
your name! Your kingdom among
us, your will done the same: By
mortals and angels, come Lord,
reign alone; Oh hear us and bless
us from heaven's high throne.**



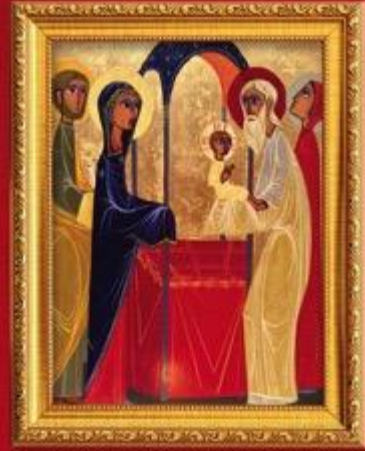
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Communion

please join in singing:

**The bread that we yearn for
provide us each day; As we
forgive others, our sins take
away; In times of temptation, to
lead us—be near; From evil,
deliver, your children most dear.**



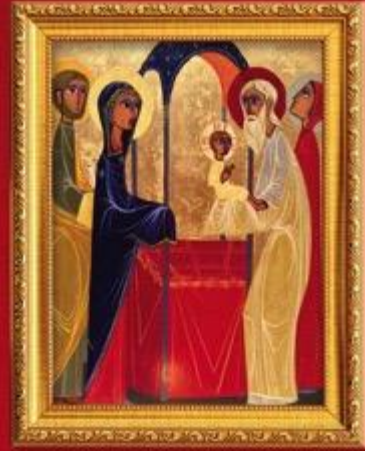
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Communion

please join in singing:

For yours is the kingdom; O'er all things you reign. And yours is the power; all things you maintain, To you be the glory, resounding again, From all of creation, forever! Amen.

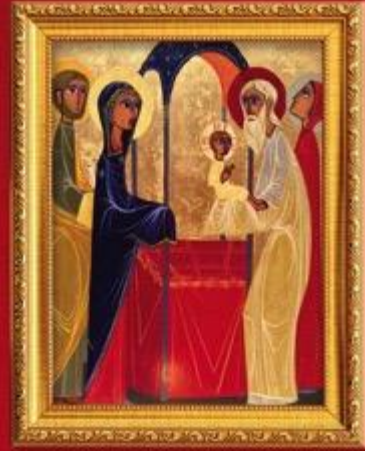


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Communion

The table is set. The gifts are ready.
Come and receive God's grace.



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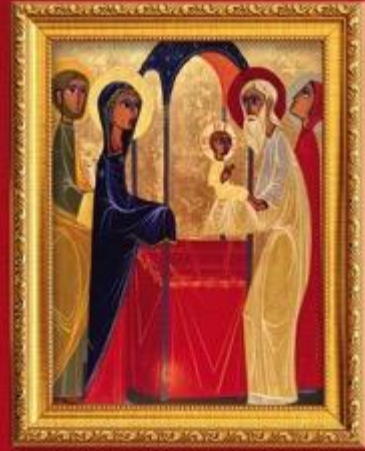
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Communion Distribution

As we receive the bread and cup today, we receive grace upon grace from Jesus: forgiveness, new life and salvation.

*Come and hold your hands out and receive God's goodness with the holy word of thanks:
"Amen!"*



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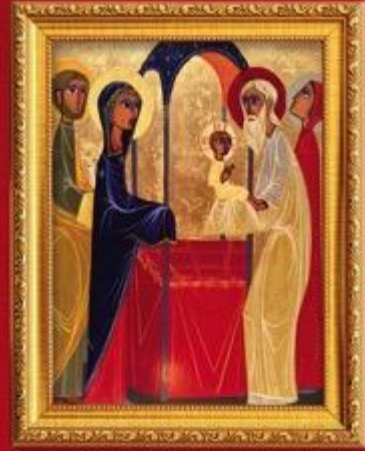
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Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.



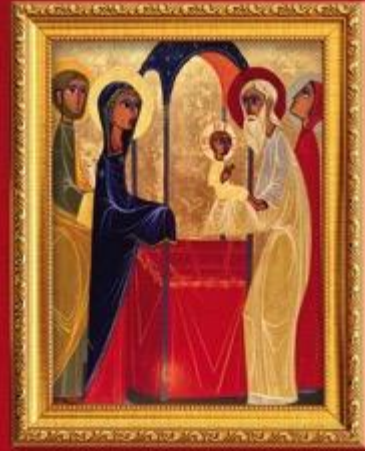
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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Radiant God,
**with our eyes we have seen your
salvation, and in this meal we
have feasted on your grace. May
your Word take flesh in us, that
we may be your holy people,
revealing your glory made known
to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord. Amen.**



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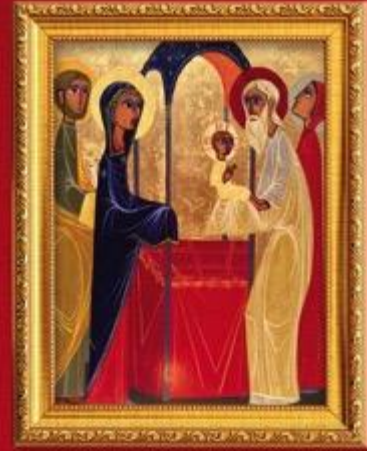
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Benediction

May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

Amen.



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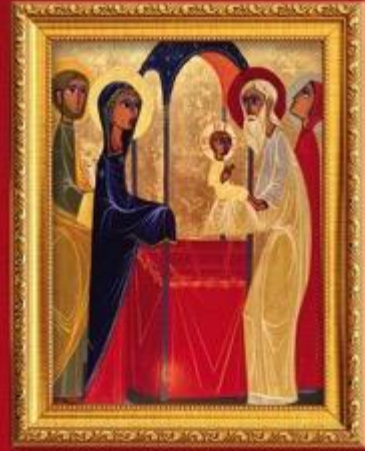
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Song – *“Go Tell it on the Mountain”* – *ELW 290*

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!

- 1 While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light.



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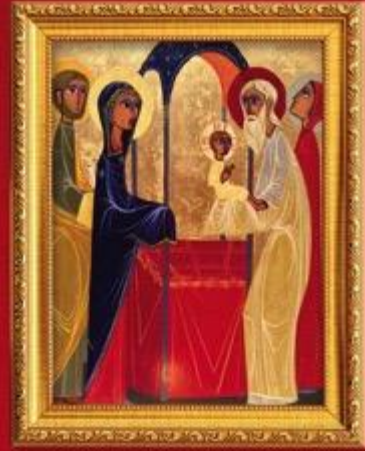
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Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!

2 The shepherds feared and trembled
when, lo, above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth.



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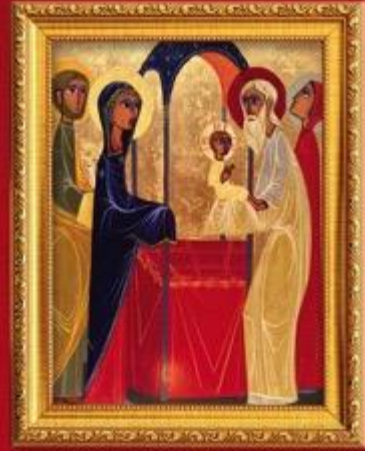
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Song – “*Go Tell it on the Mountain*” – *ELW 290*

Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!

3 Down in a lonely manger
the humble Christ was born;
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. *Refrain*

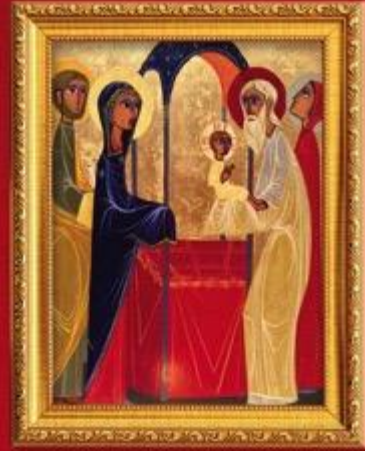


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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



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