Invitation — At the table we have a meal that has sustained Christians over thousands of years, a tangible reminder of God's self-giving love.

This table is for all baptized Christians, come and eat!

If you're not a baptized Christian, we're honored that you're here:)

We invite you to come forward to receive a blessing (you can put your hands together like this), or remain in your seat if that's more comfortable.

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Neighborhood Spotlight - Andrea Today we're praying for our neighborhood on the cusp of a new year - for hope to the hopeless, peace for the anxious, connection for the lonely, for safety in our homes and streets. We're asking God to draw our neighborhood to himself in particular and powerful ways this year.

The Lord's Prayer - Andrea

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Sending - Kaitlin

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– the hope of our hearts, the hope of the world.

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²² And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." ²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶ And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷ And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸ he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

- ²⁹ "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;
- ³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation
- ³¹ that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
- ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."
- ³³ And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵ (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."
- ³⁶ And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷ and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸ And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

One: This is the Word of the Lord

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Lectura Bíblica (Spanish) - Lucas 2:22-38 (RVC) - Brock

Y cuando se cumplieron los días para que, según la ley de Moisés, ellos fueran purificados, llevaron al niño a Jerusalén para presentarlo ante el Señor ²³ y cumplir con lo que está escrito en la ley del Señor: «Todo primer hijo varón será consagrado al Señor», ²⁴ y para ofrecer un sacrificio en cumplimiento de la ley del Señor, que pide «un par de tórtolas, o dos palominos». ²⁵ En Jerusalén vivía un hombre justo y piadoso, llamado Simeón, que esperaba la salvación de Israel. El Espíritu Santo reposaba en él ²⁶ y le había revelado que no moriría antes de que viera al Ungido del Señor. ²⁷ Simón fue al templo, guiado por el Espíritu. Y cuando los padres del niño Jesús lo llevaron al templo para cumplir con lo establecido por la ley, ²⁸ él tomó al niño en sus brazos y bendijo a Dios con estas palabras:

One: La palabra del Señor

All: Gracias a Dios!

²⁹ «Señor, ahora despides a este siervo tuyo, y lo despides en paz, de acuerdo a tu palabra.

³⁰ Mis ojos han visto ya tu salvación,

³¹ que has preparado a la vista de todos los pueblos:

³² luz reveladora para las naciones, y gloria para tu pueblo Israel.»

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C. Frederick Oakeley | J. Francis Wade | CCLI #31054 | License #20020171

O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

O come let us adore Him

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Christ the Lord

Sing choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens of heav'n above
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Yea Lord we greet Thee

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Song of Response: Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Wesley | Mendelssohn-Bartholdy | Song # 27738 | CCLI #2002017

Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic hosts proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of the Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with men to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel
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Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace

Hail the Sun of Righteousness Light and life to all He brings Risen with healing in His wings Mild He lays His glory by Born that man no more may die Born to raise the sons of earth Born to give them second birth Hark the herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King

Song of Thanksgiving: The Doxology

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G. Frideric Handel | I. Watts | J. Hunt | Song # 7100235 | CCLI #20020171

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Let every heart prepare Him room
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Joy to the world the Saviour reigns
Let all their songs employ
While fields and floods rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
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He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
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