Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

NOVEMBER 21

1. Come, all you lovers of the feasts: with joy now greet the day.

2. Today the temple of our God receives the perfect Ark.

When Joachim and Anna came up o'er the mountain way.

Prepared beforehand to receive the Law's fulfillment, Christ.

They journeyed on to keep a vow made to our God, the Lord;

For this glad feast of Entrance now we sing with praises meet

They brought their only child to him, best gift they could afford.

With Mary, to the Father, Son, and to the Paraclete.

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