

Songs for Younger Students

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

Sung to "The Farmer In the Dell"

We come to church today.
We like to sing and pray,
And when it's time to pray to God,
We cross ourselves this way.

[Child makes the Sign of the Cross as they recite.]

In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit, Amen.



OUR CHURCH

A **Cross** is on our Church so high;
It reaches high into the sky!
The **Bell** outside begins to swing,

Calling us to **Church** it rings.
Inside are pretty **Icons** bright,
Incense sweet,
And **Candlelight**.

Prayers to say,
Hymns to sing,
Thank you God for our **Church Family**,
And for our (glorious) **Divine Liturgy!**
Amen!

Make a cross with both index fingers.
Raise the crossed fingers over the head.
Form a triangular bell with index fingers & thumbs;
sway it to & fro.

Draw a large rectangular shape in the air with both index fingers.
Sniff with nose.
Form a fist with the right hand fist with the index finger pointing
upward. Place left hand fist on top of right fist, allowing the right
index finger through left fist. Wiggle the right index finger for
the flame of the candle.
Fold hands.
Extend hands.

Point to all the children.
Extend arms upward

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