

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

(Transferred to V Epiphany, from February 2nd)

February 6, 2022

10 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The service begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer

Entry Canticle for Candelmas (The Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple) Insert

Processional Hymn 257 *O Zion, open wide thy gates*

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

The Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Gloria (Hymnal S 278) Mathias

Collect of the Day Insert

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson MALACHI 3:1-4 Blue Insert

Psalm 84 Blue Insert

The Second Lesson HEBREWS 2:14-18 Blue Insert

Canticle 5 - The Song of Simeon Insert

The Holy Gospel LUKE 2:22-40 Blue Insert

Before: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

After: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

The Sermon The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

It is customary to make the sign of the cross at the words "we look for the resurrection of the dead."

The Prayers of the People (Form V) BCP p. 389

Confession and Absolution BCP p. 360

The Peace

Response: **And also with you**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Doxology (Hymnal 380, vs. 3)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A) BCP p. 361

In the final section of the Eucharistic Prayer, after the priest invokes the Holy Spirit, the people join the priest in saying:

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace: and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

It is customary to make the sign of the cross upon praying this petition.

Sanctus & Benedictus (Hymnal S 128) Mathias

The Lord's Prayer (S 119) Plainsong

The Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 364

Agnus Dei (Hymnal S 165) Mathias

The Communion*

Please form a single-file line in the center aisle, observing safe distancing, and receive the host in your hand from the Priest. Wait until you return to your seat to lower your mask and partake.

Communion Hymn 26 *O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ*

Prayer After Communion BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Processional Hymn 436 *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates*

The Dismissal BCP p. 366

Response: **Thanks be to God**

**In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are invited to take communion regardless of denominational affiliation. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come to the railing and cross your arms over your chest as a signal to the priest.*

Entry Canticle for Candlemas or The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple (February 2)

The Celebrant and Verger (bearing a lighted candle) enter and greet the people:

Celebrant: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Nunc Demittis Canticle:

Celebrant: A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.

People: **A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.**

Celebrant: Lord, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised.

People: **A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.**

Celebrant: For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see.

People: **A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God our Father, source of all light, today you revealed to the
aged Simeon your light which enlightens the nations. Fill our
hearts with the light of faith, that we may walk in the goodness
and come to the Light that shines forever, your Son Jesus Christ
Our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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Canticle 5

The Song of Simeon *Nunc dimittis*

Antiphon

Mine eyes have seen thy sal - va - tion, which thou
hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all peo - ple.

1. Lord, now lettest thou thy ser - vant de - part in peace, ac - cord - ing
to thy word; 2. For mine eyes have seen thy sal - va - tion,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all peo - ple,
3. To be a light to light - en the Gen - tiles,
and to be the glory of thy peo - ple Is - ra - el. [Ant.]

(Gloria Patri may be omitted)

4. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:
5. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

Collect

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading - Malachi 3:1-4

Thus says the Lord, See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Psalm 84



- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! * they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, * and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- 7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; * hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8 Behold our defender, O God; * and look upon the face of your Anointed.
- 9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- 10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; * he will give grace and glory;
- 11 No good thing will the LORD withhold * from those who walk with integrity.
- 12 O LORD of hosts, * happy are they who put their trust in you!

Second Reading - Hebrews 2:14-18

Since God's children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel - Luke 2:22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all
peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed-- and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.