

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

Holy Eucharist

This procession is intended for use immediately before the Holy Eucharist on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple.

Prelude

Candlemas Eve

The congregation stands.

The Celebrant greets the people with these words

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

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Grace and peace to you, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Forty days ago we celebrated the joyful feast of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Today we recall the holy day on which he was presented in the temple, fulfilling the law of Moses and at the same time going to meet his faithful people. Led by the Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the temple, recognized Christ as their Lord, and proclaimed him with joy. United by the same Spirit, may we now go into the house of God to welcome Christ the Lord, where we shall recognize him in the breaking of bread until he comes again in glory.

Blessing of Candles

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Celebrant Let us pray. God our Father, source of all light, today you revealed to Simeon and Anna your Light of revelation to the nations. Bless these candles and make them holy. May we who light them to praise your glory walk in the path of goodness and come to that Light that shines forever. Grant this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The following canticle said during which the candles are lighted

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.**

The Procession

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace.

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

Processional Hymn

Hymn #259

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. 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.

People **Amen.**

After the Collect, all extinguish their candles.

The Lessons *Please be seated for the readings.*

From the Hebrew Bible

Reader A reading from the Prophet 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-- in-

deed, 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

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!

From the Epistles

Reader A Reading from the letter to the 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

People stand, as ability allows.

WLP #784

Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais-es! All our hearts are filled with glad - ness! Hal - le - lu-jah! We sing your prais - es! All our hearts are filled with glad - ness!

1. Christ the Lord to us said: "I am wine, I am bread, I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger!"

2. Je - sus says to us still: "All who do the Lords' will, all who do, the Lord's will are my sis-ters and my bro - thers." D.C.

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Homily

People stand, as ability allows.

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

Celebrant Let us stand and profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader Let us pray to the God through Christ our light and life.
Almighty God, your Christ is acclaimed as the glory of Israel: look mercifully on your Church, as we share the light of Christ in our community. Lord in your mercy,

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Leader Your Christ presented in the Temple brings judgment on the world: look mercifully on all nations who long for his justice and peace. Lord in your mercy,

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Leader Your Christ, who was rich, for our sake became poor: look mercifully on all who are in need and those who suffer with him, especially Jane (Rose), Connie (Johnson), William (Schulenberg), Cole (Young), Pam (Kerns), Stephanie (Robinson), Ida (Davenport), Pat (Snyder), the Collins Family, Bob (Chapman), Shirley (Haas), Jen (Jewkes), Pat (Mulkern), Lynn (Honeycutt), Hardy (Shelton III), Jacey (Ciernak), Abbie B., the Kirton-Burbank family, Sarah (Rodemeyer) Caelyn, Oliver, & Annabelle, Paula (Gray-Roberston), Leola, Fran (Moir), Louise (LeBeau), Greg (Haas), Cindy (Graham), Marie (Stanyar), Shannon (Lance), Jill (Poske), and Ron (Juergens). Lord in your mercy,

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Leader	Your Christ is the one in whom faithful servants find their peace: look mercifully on your whole Church, in heaven and on earth, that united in Christ, we may glory in your salvation. We pray for all who have died.... ,that they may be received into your arms of love. Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Leader	Your Christ is the one destined for rejection: look mercifully on us as we turn towards his passion and begin to prepare for the upcoming Lenten Fast. Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Celebrant	Almighty Father, you kept faith with Simeon and Anna, and showed them the infant King. Give us grace to trust your promises, and patience to wait for their fulfillment; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People	Amen

Confession of Sin & Absolution BCP p. 360

Celebrant	Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
People	<i>Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen</i>
Celebrant	Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
People	Amen

The Peace BCP p. 360

The Offertory

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Offertory Anthem George Dyson

Nunc Dimittis

THE HOLY Communion *Eucharistic Prayer B* BCP p. 367

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	<i>And also with you.</i>
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	<i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	<i>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</i>
Celebrant	It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is the one who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All

**We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

People ***Happy are they who are called to the supper of the Lamb.***

Communion BCP p. 364

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music **A Moment Lost** David Neveu

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

People ***Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.***

Announcements

The Blessing

Celebrant May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Closing Hymn Hymn #499

The Dismissal BCP p. 366

Postlude **Now May Your Servant, Lord**

CALENDAR

Worship Schedule

Sunday:

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel
10am Holy Eucharist, Church
Noon Mother of the Savior, Church

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8am-1:30pm
Friday
8am-1pm

Recurring Weekly Classes/Meetings

AA, Room 14:
Thursday, 11:30am
Thursday, 6:30pm
Saturday, 1pm

ACOA, Room 14:
Wednesday, 6:30pm

Arabic Saturday School, Room 19:
Saturday, 10am

Blessings in a Backpack Packing:
Friday, 3:30pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall:
Tuesday, 7pm

Bridge, Lounge:
Wednesday, 1pm

Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room:
Sunday, 11:30am

Grace Church Bible Study, Lounge:
Tuesday, 9pm

Martial Arts, Fellowship Hall:
Sunday, 2pm,
Wednesday, 7pm
2nd & 4th Thursday 6:30pm

Mother of the Savior Youth Bible
Study and Arabic Class:
Saturday, 3pm

Sonneman Voice & Piano,
Choir Room:
Tuesday and Thursday, 3pm-9pm
Saturday, 10am-4pm

Stretching, Fellowship Hall:
2nd & 4th Saturday, 10:30am

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