



PRESENTATION OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE



CHURCH OF THE
SAVIOR

Fifth Week of Epiphany

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024



We're so glad you're here.



At Church of the Savior, our vision is to grow in “Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life.” We hope you sense God's presence and our warm welcome. We'd love to meet you in the foyer after the service.

--Fr. Kevin and Mtr. Karen

About Our Worship: We use an Anglican liturgy. Liturgy simply means that everyone gets to participate, so please join in as you feel comfortable.

Children's Worship: Nursery is available for children 6 months through 4 years. Children's Worship rooms are available for children Kindergarten through 2nd Grade, and 3rd to 5th Grade. You may choose to keep children with your family, and coloring pages will be available to all.

Assisted Listening or Noise Cancelling Headphones: Pick up a loop in the livestream booth (the door to the right of the fireplace in the Fireside Room). An usher can guide you there. Noise cancelling headphones are available at the info table for those who might be sensitive to noise.

This is the Fifth Week after Epiphany, and today we are celebrating the Presentation of Our Lord. As Luke records in his gospel, on the fortieth day after Jesus was born, his parents took him to the temple to present him and make the required sacrifices. In this celebration, we marvel at how Jesus, even as an infant in the temple, revealed himself to Simeon and the prophet Anna as the promised Messiah. We rejoice in the words of Simeon: “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” (Luke 2:30-32).

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PRELUDE & WELCOME

Please enjoy a few moments of silence during the prelude to prepare for worship.

THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL

You may stand.

Praise To the Lord the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again;
Gladly for all we adore Him.

Celebrant: The God who said, "Out of darkness let light shine," has caused his light to shine within us, to give the light of revelation—the revelation of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Gracious Light



O gra-cious light, pure bright-ness of the e-ver-liv-ing
Fa-ther in hea-ven. O Je-sus Christ, ho-ly and bles-sed.
Now as we come to the set-ting of the sun, and our eyes be-hold the
ves-per light, we sing your prai-ses, O God: Fa-ther,
Son and Ho-ly Spi-rit. You are wor-thy at all times to be
praised by hap-py voic-es, O Son of God, O Giv-er of life,
and to be glo-ri-fied through all the worlds.

Children from kindergarten through 2nd grade are invited to follow the acolyte to children's worship during the next song. Children 3rd-5th grade are invited to worship with their families.

Father Let Your Kingdom Come

*Hallelu, hallelujah!
Father, let Your kingdom come!*

May the works of my hands bring You joy.
May the works of my hands bring You joy.
May the works of my hands bring You joy.
May the works of my hands bring You joy.

May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.

You make all things new.
You make all things new.
In places we don't choose.
You make all things new.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

MALACHI 3:1-4

¹ “I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,” says the Lord Almighty.

² But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner’s fire or a launderer’s soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, ⁴ and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

You may stand.



Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²² When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”), ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. ²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

²⁹ “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹ which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and the glory of your people Israel.”

³³ The child’s father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: “This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.”

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. ³⁸ Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹ When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

ALLELUIA

Please be seated.

THE SERMON



Meeting Jesus in the Temple

Sarah Lindsay
Pastor of Adult Formation

We take a few minutes of silence to reflect, pray, and listen for what God may be saying.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy,
All: Hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes the prayers.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please sit or kneel for a time of silence.

All: 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.

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. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.

At this time, parents should pick up their children from the nursery; children in Children's Worship will be brought to the lobby by their leaders for the Presentation, and will join their families after they present their Jesus at the Temple. Additionally, children 3rd-5th grade should join the others in the lobby, along with anyone else who wants to present their Baby Jesus at the temple should go to the lobby and line up for the Presentation.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

THE OFFERTORY AND PRESENTATION

During the offertory, we invite you to bring your baby Jesus, from the rosca, forward and present him at the Temple.

Lord God, Now Let Your Servants Depart in Peace

Lord God, now let your servants depart in peace;
For our eyes have seen your saving grace.
A light to the world and the light of life.
Seen in our Savior's face.
Alleluia!
Alleluia!
Alleluia!

THE DOXOLOGY

You may stand.

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise him a - bove, ye heav-en-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord. God of po-wer and might. -----

9 Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

14 in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

21 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. ----- Ho -

27 san - na, ho - san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing

Our Fa-ther in hea - ven, hal-low-ed be your Name.
5 Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as is in heaven.
9 Give us this day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as
13 we for-give those who sin a-against us. Lead us not to temp-
17 ta - tion, de - liv - er us from e - vil, for the king - dom, the
22 pow - er and the glo - ry are Yours, now and ev - er - more. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please join us for Communion: all who are baptized and seeking to follow Jesus are welcome. If that doesn't describe you, simply say "Blessing," or cross your arms, and the minister distributing bread will pray a short prayer for God's favor on your life. The first tray contains wine; the second contains grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you would like to receive prayer, a prayer minister is available in the foyer.

COMMUNION SONGS

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me,
Save that Thou art –
Thou my best thought,
By day or by night,
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom
Be Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father,
I Thy true Child,
Thou in me dwelling,
And I reconciled.

Be Thou my shield
And my sword for the fight.
Be Thou my dignity,
Be Thou my might;
Thou my soul's shelter
And Thou my high tow'r.
Raise Thou me heav'nward,
O pow'r of my pow'r.

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Waiting Here for You

If faith can move the mountains,
let the mountains move.
We come with expectation,
waiting here for You,
waiting here for You.

You're the Lord of all creation,
and still You know my heart;
The Author of salvation,
You've loved us from the start.

*Waiting here for You, with our hands
lifted high in praise.
And it's You we adore,
singing Alleluia.*

You are ev'rything You've promised;
Your faithfulness is true.
We're desp'rate for Your presence;
All we need is You.

We will wait for You Lord,
in step with You Lord.
We will sing alleluia.
Singing: Alleluia; Alleluia,

We Will Feast in The House Of Zion

*We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire;
He is the Lord, our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn,
My soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh, how long?
Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength.

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together, bring shalom.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, shine in you and through 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. Amen.

You may be seated.

RECESSIONAL

Celtic Benediction

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you,
Wherever he may send you.
May he guide you through the wilderness,
Protect you through the storm.
May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you,
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.
All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Business Meeting Tonight

The Annual Business Meeting will take place tonight immediately after the service. All may attend, but only members may vote.

New Small Group

Starting on February 21st, Vicki Howard is leading a 6-session small group through the first section of Richard Foster's Celebration of Discipline. The group will meet every other Wednesday from 7 - 8:30 pm at PHCC; for more information, please contact Vicki at howard.vicki78@gmail.com. Sign up online or at the Info Table.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery & Children's Worship: We provide Nursery for children 6 months through 4 years and two Children's Worship rooms. Kindergarten through 2nd Grade may attend Young Children in Worship, and 3rd to 5th Grade may attend Following Jesus.

Youth: We hope you can make the future dates: February 10th and 24th, March 9th, and April 6th and 20th.

UPCOMING SERMONS

The Season of Epiphany

January 6, Epiphany: Violent King vs. Vulnerable King, Kevin Miller, Matthew 2:1-15

January 13, A Whole New Dimension, Linda Richardson, Mark 1:4-11

January 20, He Sees You, He Calls You, Kevin Miller, Mark 1:14-20

January 27, He Speaks with Real Authority, Kevin Miller, Mark 1:21-28

February 3, Meeting Jesus in the Temple, Sarah Lindsay, Luke 2:22-40

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for supporting this ministry of "Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life."

Year-to-Date figures will be provided after the 2024 budget is approved by the parish.

As of January 27:

Savior - \$19,248.90

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Journeying Together: Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life

2024 BALLOT FOR MEMBERS

PROPOSED SLATE OF VESTRY NOMINEES

For a 3-year term: Al Hsu

For a 3-year term: Nadine Rorem

- I approve the proposed slate of new vestry members
- I do not approve the proposed slate of new vestry members

PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

- I approve the 2024 budget proposed by the vestry
- I do not approve the 2024 budget proposed by the vestry

PROPOSED BYLAWS

- I approve the Proposed Bylaws
- I do not approve the Proposed Bylaws