

# THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

February 2, 2020 – 10:30 A.M.

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

*The Service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.*

Prelude: Mit Fried' und Freud' fahr' ich dahin, BWV 616

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

*(In Peace and Joy I now depart)*

## THE WORD OF GOD

Introit

William McKie (1901-1984)

We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of thy temple. Alleluia. O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end: thy right hand is full of righteousness. Alleluia. O Lord, send us now prosperity. Amen.

– *Psalms 48:8, 9; 118:25*

Hymn: “Christ is made the sure foundation”

Regent Square, *stand*



1 Christ is made the sure foun-da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner - stone,  
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of God on high,  
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, to - day;  
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of thee to gain;



cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious, bind - ing all the Church in one;  
in ex - ul - tant ju - bi - la - tion pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy;  
with thy wont - ed lov - ing-kind - ness hear thy serv - ants as they pray,  
what they gain from thee, for ev - er with the bless - ed to re - tain,



ho - ly Zi - on's help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
God the One in Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
and thy full - est ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
and here - af - ter in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Hymn 518; Latin, ca. 7<sup>th</sup> cent. Tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818–1866), alt.

Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813–1879)

## Opening Sentences

*Priest:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

*Priest:* 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.**

## Gloria in Excelsis (*Hymnal S 202*)

*All:* **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## The Collect of the Day

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Priest:* 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.**

## The Lessons

*Lector:* A Reading from The Book of the prophet Malachi. (3: 1-4) *sit*

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.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

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!**

*All:*           **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Hymn 259: “Hail to the Lord who comes”

Old 120th, *stand*

*Priest:*       The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
(2: 22-40)

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

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they 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.**

Prayers of the People

*Lector:* God has called us out of darkness into the glorious light of the Son. Let us pray for the church and for the world, that all people may know the light of Christ, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

*kneel*

For the church and its ministry to the world, for all bishops and clergy, remembering especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Wayne, our Bishop; Deon, our Bishop-elect; Luke, Kelly and Joseph, our clergy; for our parish staff; and for all those who bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to the nations, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Lector:* For the nations of the world and their leaders, for all those in authority, and for an end to war and oppression, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Lector:* For those who have not heard the good news of salvation, for those who have heard but have not believed, and for those who have forsaken their faith, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Lector:* For the lonely and destitute, for the victims of injustice and discrimination, for the hungry and the homeless, for the unloved and the forgotten, and for all who seek to serve them, remembering especially the ministries of Beyond Housing, Bravely, Episcopal City Mission, The Haven of Grace and Outreach Haiti, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Lector:* For the sick in body, mind, and spirit, for the dying and the bereaved, and for all those in need of our prayers, especially Chris Canepa, Lucy Dolan, Brooke Erwin, Clayton Hicks, Bryan Miller, Rory Sabbah, Carl Schuldt and Rebecca Tyler, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Lector:* For the saints who have gone before us in the faith and are now at rest, especially Thomas Gross, Richard Hamman, John Shepley and Bert Walker, for Michael McKay, and for all the saints on earth who surround us in a great fellowship of love, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Priest:* Loving God, accept our thanks and praise for all your gifts so generously bestowed upon us, hear the petitions and intercessions of your faithful people, and guide our thoughts and actions, so that your will may be done and your name glorified, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Priest:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.**

The Absolution

*Priest:* 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.

*All:* **Amen.**

Exchanging the Peace

p. 360, *stand*

*The children join the Service from their Sunday School classes.*

Announcements

*sit*

Commissioning of Vestry Members

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion.*

*If you would like to receive gluten-free bread, let the priest know at the altar rail.*

*Healing prayer is offered in Grace Chapel this morning.*

### The Offertory Anthem

Johannes Eccard (1553–1611)

When to the temple Mary went,  
And brought the holy child,  
Him did the aged Simeon see,  
As it had been revealed.  
He took up Jesus in his arms  
And blessing God he said:  
In peace I now depart, my Savior having seen,  
The hope of Israel, the light of men.

Help now thy servants, gracious Lord,  
That we may ever be  
As once the faithful Simeon was,  
Rejoicing but in thee;  
And when we must from earth  
departure take,  
May gently fall asleep  
and with thee wake.

– John Troutbeck

### The Presentation (*Hymn 380, stanza 3*)

Old 100th, *stand*

**All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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### Sanctus and Benedictus (*Hymnal S 114*)

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*kneel*

### The Lord's Prayer

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### Breaking of the Bread

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### Administration of the Sacrament

*sit*

#### Anthem

Bernard Barrell (1919–2005)

The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all mankind.

– Titus 2:11

#### Hymn 277: “Sing of Mary, pure and lowly”

Raquel

### A Prayer of Thanksgiving

p. 365, *kneel*

### The Blessing

#### Hymn 436: “Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates”

Truro, *stand*

The Dismissal

*Priest:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: Tuba Magna

John Madden (b. 1956)

*The sung setting of the Eucharist is the Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena  
by Healey Willan (1880–1968).*

*MUSIC NOTES:* The falling of the Feast of the Presentation on a Sunday this year allows for a wonderful body of music composed for this feast to be sung. Words from Psalm 48 are a traditional part of the ceremonial around this day. In this service, they are sung in a setting by Australian composer *William McKie (1901–1984)* who was organist at Westminster Abbey for both the wedding and, later, the coronation of Queen Elizabeth. • The opening hymn is sung to the tune *Regent Square* rather than the tune printed in the hymnal to heighten the connection between Christmas (when it serves as the tune for “Angels from the realms of glory”) and the feast we celebrate today (the Presentation falls 40 days after Christmas). • The motet “Maria wallt zum Heiligtum und bringt ihr Kindlein dar” by German Composer *Johannes Eccard (1553–1611)* is well-known in an English translation by John Troutbeck: *When to the temple Mary went*. Eccard was a pupil of Orlande de Lassus.

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
in loving memory of Michael McKay, by his family.*

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers:

Bryan Miller, Carrie Burroughs

Ushers:

Matt Bouchard, Mark LaGrange, Allan Ivie, Didi Noelker

Acolytes:

Cate Dressel, Sam King, Katie Sheehan

Tommy Sheehan, Will Sloane, James Walters

Acolyte Master:

Jim Gilbert

Hospitality:

Ann Parish, Eleanor Wilson, Jenn Gillis

Altar Guild:

Merrill Buettner, Susie Wilson

Counters:

June Sellenriek, Mary Rassieur



## ***PRAYER LIST***

**For Parishioners:** Brooke Erwin, Bryan Miller and Carl Schuldt.

**For Family and Friends:** Chris Canepa, Lucy Dolan, Clayton Hicks, Rory Sabbah and Rebecca Tyler.

**For the Faithful Departed:** Thomas L. Gross, Richard Hamman, John Shepley and Bert Walker.

**For the Men and Women of the Armed Forces:** Zach Greata and Matt Robinson.

**For those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers:** Michelle Arthur, Donna Brookman, Arlene Burnham, Elizabeth Clarke, Kathryn Dewein, Greg Evans, Carol Fisher, Samantha Forsko, Karen Goddard, Patty Hecker, Laney Johnson, Bob Kenny, Susan Kerkering, Madelyn Lane, Ann McDonald, Bill McMahan, Elizabeth Mendoza, Cheryl Meyer, Signe Myles, Louisa Rix, Jeffrey Rixleben, Sarah Roberts, Kathy Sheehan, Gerald Spencer, Wayne Spohr, Jane St. John, Julie Stephenson, Rolla Wetzel and Dick Williams.

## ***TODAY...***

**FAMILIES** – Children are always welcome in church! Childcare is available in the Little Building from 9-11:45. If your child needs a break, the service is live-streamed in the Undercroft. A baby-changing station is available in the middle Undercroft restroom.

**CHILDREN’S CHAPEL** – All ages, please join us in Grace Chapel, 10:15 to 10:25 a.m. each Sunday before Sunday School.

**PARISH BREAKFAST** – Come enjoy a hot breakfast in the Undercroft today, served from 8:45 until 10:00. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

**RECTOR’S FORUM** meets each Sunday morning, 9:15-10:00 a.m. in the Undercroft. Everyone is welcome!

**HEALING PRAYERS** – If you would like to receive healing prayers with the laying on of hands and anointing, as you leave the altar rail today after receiving Holy Communion go to Grace Chapel, where one of the clergy will be waiting for you. If you would like family members or friends to accompany you, they are welcome to participate. The ritual is brief, allowing you time to return to the church proper for the final blessing and dismissal. If you have any questions about this ministry of the Church, Luke, Kelly or Joseph would be happy to talk with you.

**FOOD DRIVE SUNDAY** – Thank you for your generosity for today’s “1<sup>st</sup> Sunday” food drive for the Trinity Episcopal Church food pantry. Watch for the posting of March’s list of food needs at the end of February.

## ***THIS WEEK...***

**NEWS DEADLINE** – Please submit news to the Church Office by noon on Tuesdays.

**ST. PETER’S CARES** – Need a ride, a meal or a prayer? St. Peter’s has a ministry that can help – that’s St. Peter’s Cares! Leave a voicemail or email (314-993-2306, ext. 125 or shepherd@stpeterseiscopal.org) and a Shepherd will contact you within 24 hours.

**WOMAN’S GUILD** – Join us this Tuesday for lunch at 12:15 p.m., followed by our program, “Smooth Transitions in St. Louis.” Yoga meets at 11:00 a.m. each Tuesday.

**SEARCHING FOR GOD IN THE DAILY NEWS** will not meet this week. Join us on Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**BIBLE STUDY** – Join us at 7:00 on Thursday mornings in the Elliot Room. Beginning February 14<sup>th</sup>, our Thursday group will move to Fridays at 7:00 a.m. Join us!

<p><b>PARISH CELEBRATION</b> – Next Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> join us for lunch in the Undercroft following the 10:30 worship service, to celebrate our Rector’s ministry among us. No reservations are necessary—come and bring your family. All are welcome!</p>
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**ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN** – We have reached \$1,033,280, 74% of our goal! Thank you to the 287 families who have pledged support to date. It is so important to have the support of all parishioners. Please help us wrap up our 2020 campaign by sending in your pledge, or pledge online at [www.stpeterseiscopal.org](http://www.stpeterseiscopal.org). Thanks!

## ***UPCOMING EVENTS...***

**CHORAL EVENSONG** – St. Peter's is pleased to host the fourth annual joint service sung by the Choirs of the Church of St. Michael and St. George and St. Peter's next **Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.** The choirs will sing music by William Walton and Malcolm Boyle.

**ST. PETER'S INTERIM RECTOR** – The Rev. Dr. Robert J. Voyle will be our Interim Rector beginning on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Rob was born and ordained in New Zealand. After ordination, he moved to the United States, met and married his wife Kim. They currently live in Oregon, twenty miles west of Portland. Rob wrote, "My personal mission as a follower of Jesus is to be helpful, humorous and healing." You can find out more about him at [appreciativeway.com/faculty/robbio.cfm](http://appreciativeway.com/faculty/robbio.cfm). Thank you for your continued prayers during this time of transition. – Jeanie Davis, Senior Warden

**SEARCH COMMITTEE** – The parishioners serving on the Rector Search Committee are: Chris Knight, Chair; the Rev. Susie Skinner, Chaplain; John Bradley; Mokie Carmichael; Laurie Haffenreffer; Hedy Lee; Sally Lemkemeier; Danny Orthwein; Charlie Peters; Susan Schettler; Rachel Sokolich and DeWayne Trainer.

**ST. PETER'S MISSION TRIP** – Our youth Mission Trip is expanded to include **ALL** parishioners 8<sup>th</sup> grade and up! Join a few of our St. Peter's Youth and their parents as they head to the Appalachian region of Kentucky, June 14-20. This inter-generational trip will offer a great opportunity for anyone looking to do God's work and grow together in service. The cost of the trip \$750, with the first half due on February 20. Contact Fr. Joseph, [josephww@stpetersepiscopal.org](mailto:josephww@stpetersepiscopal.org) to register or to get more information.

## ***SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2 - 9, 2020***

Sunday	2/ 2		<b>Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple</b> <b>Healing Prayers/Food Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 8:45-10:00 Parish Breakfast – Undercroft 9:15 a.m. Rector’s Forum – Undercroft Confirmation Class/6 <sup>th</sup> &7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class 10:15 a.m. Children’s Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Blessing of Vestry 12:15 p.m. Woman’s Guild Lunch 4:15 p.m. Choristers
Tuesday	2/ 4		5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist 7:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist @ The Gatesworth 5:15 p.m. Probationers 6:00 p.m. Choristers 7:15 p.m. Parish Choir
Wednesday	2/ 5		
Thursday	2/ 6		
Sunday	2/ 9		<b>The Fifth Sunday after The Epiphany</b> 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 8:45-10:00 Parish Breakfast – Undercroft 9:15 a.m. Rector’s Forum – Undercroft 10:15 a.m. Children’s Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:30 a.m. Parish Lunch 5:00 p.m. Evensong