

THE PRESENTATION OUR LORD

FEBRUARY 2, 2020

10:30 A.M.	Candlemas Procession begins in the Welcome Area (see insert)	
8:00 A.M.	Rite I: beginning on page 323 (red book)	
Opening Acclamation		323 (red book)
Collect for Purity		323 (red book)
Gloria		324 (red book)
Collect of the Day		187 (red book)

(10:30 A.M. following the Candlemas Procession continue below)

I reading—Malachi 3:1-4		
Psalm 84		707 (red book)
II reading—Hebrews 2:14-18		
Gradual Hymn	<i>How lovely is thy dwelling place</i>	517 (purple book)
Gospel—Luke 2:22-40		
Homily	The Rev. Catherine Carpenter	
Nicene Creed		326/358 (red book))
Prayers of the People	8:00 a.m. Form I	328 (red book)
	10:30 a.m. (Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy . People: Hear our prayer.)	
	At end of prayer-(Intercessor: Remembering the blessed Virgin Mary...)	
	(People: To you, O Lord our God.)	
The Confession		330/359 (red book)
The Peace		
Offertory		
Presentation of Alms	Doxology - Lasst uns erfreuen (insert)	
The Great Thanksgiving	Prayer II, 8:00 a.m.	340 (red book)
	Prayer B, 10:30 a.m.	367 (red book)
Sanctus	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord</i>	Land of rest (insert)
At the Breaking of the Bread		Eat this bread (insert)

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.

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.



WELCOME TO GRACE

We welcome all newcomers and visitors and we ask that you complete a card from pews or welcome table or sign our newcomer book (located in the front of the building). After the service please join us in the Welcome Area for coffee and hospitality. We are glad that you are here with us today.

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