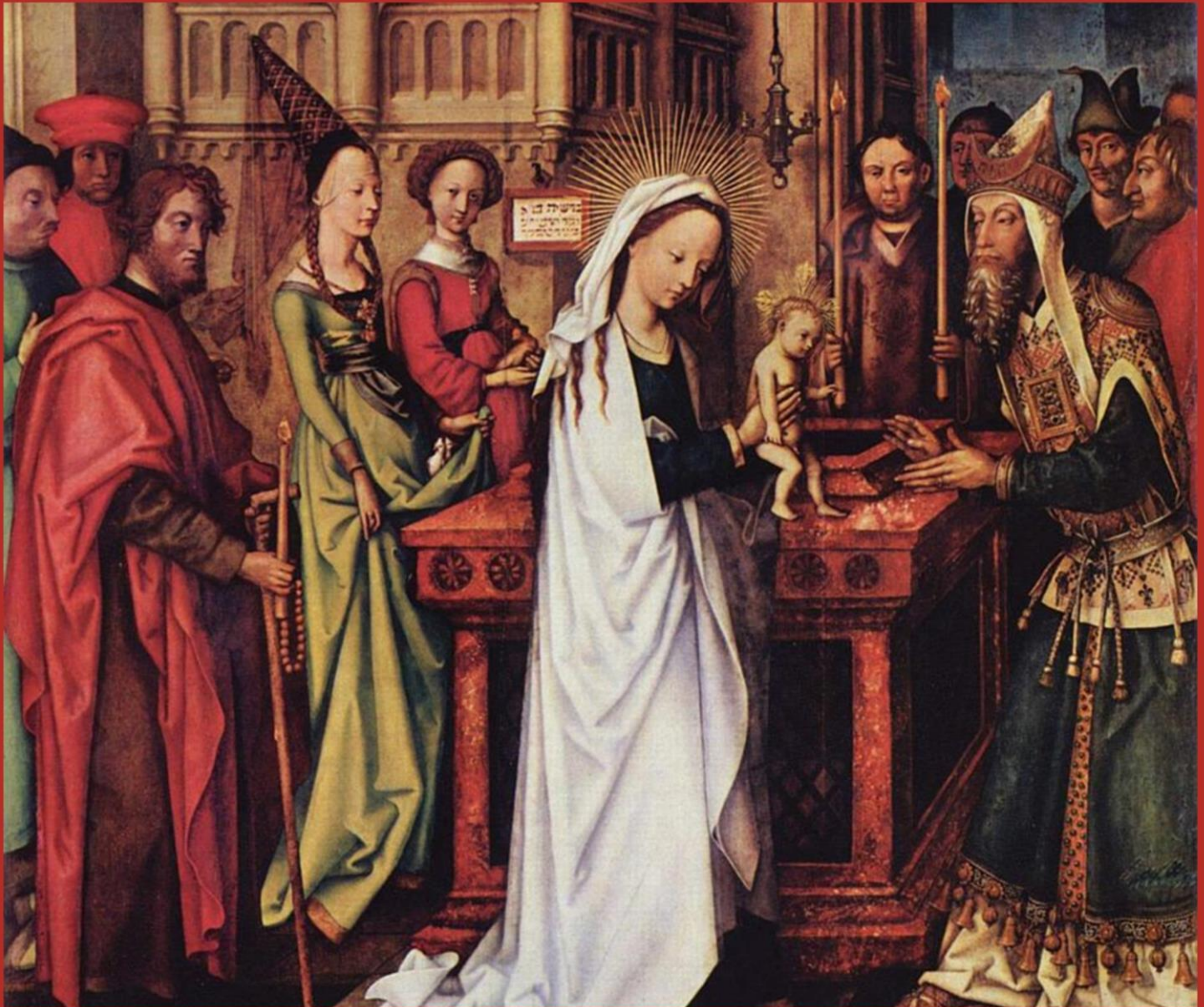


2 February 2020



Candlemas

Evensong

Welcome!

We bid you a very warm welcome to our worship today. Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired during the service; please contact one of our greeters.

Silence as candles are lit all around the church

Introit O Gracious Light H. Gerike

Officiant The Lord is in the holy temple; let all the earth keep silence.

Please rise as you are able to sing our opening Hymn No. 320 in Common Praise.

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain, alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 2 O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
forebears in faith and prophets blest:
alleluia, alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing
supernal anthems echoing:
alleluia, alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three-in-One,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!**

Minister O Lord, open thou our lips
All **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Minister O God, make speed to save us;
All **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Minister Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
All **As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Minister Praise ye the Lord.
All **The Lord's name be praised.**

Please rise as you are able to chant Psalm 84.1-7



- 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 'Sovereign 'and my' God.
- ³ Happy are they who dwell 'in your' house! *
They will al'ways 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 you, the God of gods, will re-'veal your-'self in' Zion.
- 2nd* ⁷ Lord God of hosts, 'hear my' prayer; *
hearken, O 'God' of' Jacob.

Glory be to the Father, and 'to the 'Son,*
and 'to the 'Holy 'Ghost;*
As it was in the beginning, is now, and 'ever 'shall be,*
world without 'end. 'A 'men.

We sit for a reading from the Prophecy of Malachi

(Chapter 3.1-4)

Reader

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.

Reader

Here endeth the reading.

Please rise as you are able to sing the Magnificat



- My soul doth ' magnify the ' Lord,
*and my spirit hath re'joiced in ' God my ' Saviour.
- 2 For ' he hath · re'garded
*the ' lowli-ness ' of his ' handmaiden.
- 3 For be'hold from ' henceforth
*all gene'rations shall ' call me ' blessed.
- 4 For he that is mighty hath ' magni-fied ' me;
*and ' holy ' is his ' Name.
- 5 And his mercy is on ' them that ' fear him
*throughout ' all ' gene'rations.
- 6 He hath showed ' strength · with his ' arm;
*he hath scattered the proud in the imagin'ation ' of their ' hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the mighty ' from their ' seat,
*and hath ex'alted the ' humble and ' meek.

- 8 He hath filled the 'hungry with 'good things;
*and the rich he 'hath sent 'empty a'way.
- 9 He re'membering his 'mercy
*hath 'holpen his 'servant 'Israel;
- 10 As he promised 'to our 'forefathers,
*Abraham 'and his 'seed for 'ever.

Glory be to the Father, and 'to the 'Son,
*and 'to the 'Holy 'Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and 'ever 'shall be,
*world without 'end. 'A-men.

We sit for a reading from the Gospel according to St Luke (Chapter 2.22-40)

Reader

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 turtle-doves 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 for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped 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 favour of God was upon him.

Reader Here endeth the reading.

Please rise as you are able to sing the Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest thou thy servant de'part in ' peace,
*ac'ording ' to thy ' word.

2 For mine eyes have ' seen thy · sal'vation,
*which thou hast prepared be' fore the ' face of · all ' people;

3 To be a light to ' lighten the ' Gentiles,
*and to be the ' glory of · thy ' people ' Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son,
*and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be,
*world without ' end. ' A'-men.

During the singing of Hymn No 132 in Common Praise, a collection will be taken.

- 1 Of eternal Love begotten,
ere the worlds began to be,
he is Alpha and Omega,
he the source, the ending he,
of the things that are and have been,
and that future years shall see,
evermore and evermore.**
- 2 At his Word the worlds were framed.
He commanded, it was done:
heaven and earth and depths of ocean,
in their threefold order one;
all that grows beneath the shining,
of the moon and burning sun,
evermore and evermore.**
- 3 O that birth for ever blessed,
when the virgin, full of grace,
by the Holy Ghost conceiving,
bare the Saviour of our race,
and the babe, the world's redeemer,
first revealed his sacred face,
evermore and evermore.**
- 4 This is he whom seers in old time
chanted of with one accord,
whom the voices of the prophets
promised in their faithful word;
now he shines, the long expected;
let creation praise its Lord,
Evermore and evermore!**
- 5 O ye heights of heaven, adore him;
angel hosts, his praises sing;
all dominions bow before him,
and extol our God and king;
let no tongue on earth be silent,**

every voice in concert ring,
evermore and evermore.

- 6 Christ, to thee, with God the Father,
and, O Holy Ghost, to thee,
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving,
and unwearied praises be,
honour, glory, and dominion
and eternal victory,
evermore and evermore.**

Sermon The Reverend John Stephens

Please rise as you are able for the Creed

Minister I believe in God,
All **the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;**

**and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the
Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy Catholic church;
the Communion of Saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Minister The Lord be with you.
All **And with thy spirit.**

Minister Let us pray.

Please kneel or sit

Minister Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

Priest O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

All **And grant us thy salvation.**

Priest O Lord, save the Queen;

All **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Priest Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

All **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Priest O Lord, save thy people:

All **And bless thine inheritance.**

Priest Give peace in our time, O Lord.

All **And evermore mightily defend us.**

Priest O God, make clean our hearts within us.

All **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

The priest sings the Collect of the day

Priest Almighty and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

Priest Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

We sit for the Anthem

O Radiant Dawn

J. MacMillan

Closing Prayers

Priest Almighty God,

All **who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.**

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.
Amen.

Please rise as you are able to sing our Closing Hymn No. 486 in Common Praise

**I Love divine, all loves excelling
joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.**

- 2 Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.**
- 3 Come, almighty to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
never more thy temples leave.**
- 4 Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.**
- 5 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and sinless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee:**
- 6 Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.**

Postlude

Festive Toccata

D. Bedard

The final organ prelude is to uplift us as we go out into the world and as such is part of our worship. Please refrain from applauding. Please join us for refreshments in the Trendell Lounge.



Sunday services

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00am Sung Eucharist

Wednesday service

9:30am Holy Communion

We acknowledge our presence is on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples.

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