

A SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST



THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD JESSUS CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

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Mission Statement

To love and serve God and our neighbor, by striving to meet the needs of God's people.

Vision Statement

To be a Christian community of faith where love lives, love works,
to spread the good news of God's grace and mercy.

Celebrant*The People*

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen*The People say*

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.**Celebrant***People*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.**Celebrant**

Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING**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-- 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.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 24:7-10

7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory."

SECOND READING

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Let all Mortal Flesh keep Silence

Hymnal 324

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

HOLY GOSPEL

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

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

Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Pray for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially.

Kim Sands, Jan Wooley, Les Blakemore.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgiving.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name forever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

CONFESSION OF SIN *You may stand or be seated as able.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

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 PEACE

All stand, as able.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord with a bow or wave.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Great is Thy Faithfulness CeCe & Delores Winans

DOXOLOGY

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of Host
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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,

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

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 St. Andrew 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 forever. ***Amen.***

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. ***Amen.***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore, let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.
All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If for any reason, you prefer not to receive
the cup of wine when it is offered, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

HYMNS AT THE COMMUNION

Every time I Feel the Spirit	LEVAS 114
Let us Break Bread Together	LEVAS 152
Break Thou the Bread of Life	LEVAS 146

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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 BENEDICTION

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. ***Amen.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN Lift up your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates Hymnal 436

DISMISSAL

Celebrant	Let us go forth in the world rejoicing in the power of the spirit!
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God!

LAY READER'S SCHEDULE

DATE	I LESSON	II LESSON	PRAYERS
February 2 nd	Kelly Henderson-Kessell	Beverly Thomas	Carmen Wildgoose
February 9 th	Darcel Arrington	Andrea Porter	Stephanie Combs
February 16 th	Gail Williams	Lois Jackson	Brenda Shepherd
February 23 rd	Diane Audrick Smith	Will Seifert-Kessell	Velma Romain-Rouse

CHALICE MINISTERS

February 2 nd	Lois Jackson, Rod Adams, Linda Adams
February 9 th	Rod Adams, Lois Jackson, Darcel Arrington
February 16 th	Lois Jackson, Rod Adams, Kelly Henderson-Kessell
February 23 rd	Rod Adams, Lois Jackson, Gail Williams

USHER'S SCHEDULE

February 2 nd	Darcel Arrington, Kelly Henderson-Kessell
February 9 th	Velma Romain-Rouse, Leticia Smith
February 16 th	Darcel Arrington, Patti Joy Rubin
February 23 rd	James Greene, Tondelayo Jackson

VESTRY COUNTERS' SCHEDULE

1 st Sunday	Lois Jackson, Darcel Arrington, (Andrea Appling)
2 nd Sunday	Leslie Blakemore, Carmen Wildgoose
3 rd Sunday	Jerome Rubin, James Greene
4 th Sunday	Anita Pruitt, William Seifert-Kessell

Vestry News

Payroll	\$	7,189.44	
Church Pension Fund	\$	968.00	
Episcopal Church Clergy & Employees' Benefit Trust	\$	1,066.00	
AT & T - Internet	\$	81.20	Adopted
AT & T - Phone	\$	107.47	Adopted
The Illuminating Company	\$	668.68	
Dominion Energy Ohio	\$	96.95	
Diocese of Ohio	\$	2,000.00	
Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation	\$	64.47	Adopted
Canon Financial Services, Inc.	\$	275.29	Adopted
Cleveland Water	\$	49.82	Adopted
Sewer	\$	71.20	Adopted
U. S. Protective Services	\$	564.00	
Forward Movement	\$	55.95	
Landscaping	\$	750.00	
Mulholland Pest Control	\$	180.00	Adopted
Republic Services	\$	261.38	Adopted
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