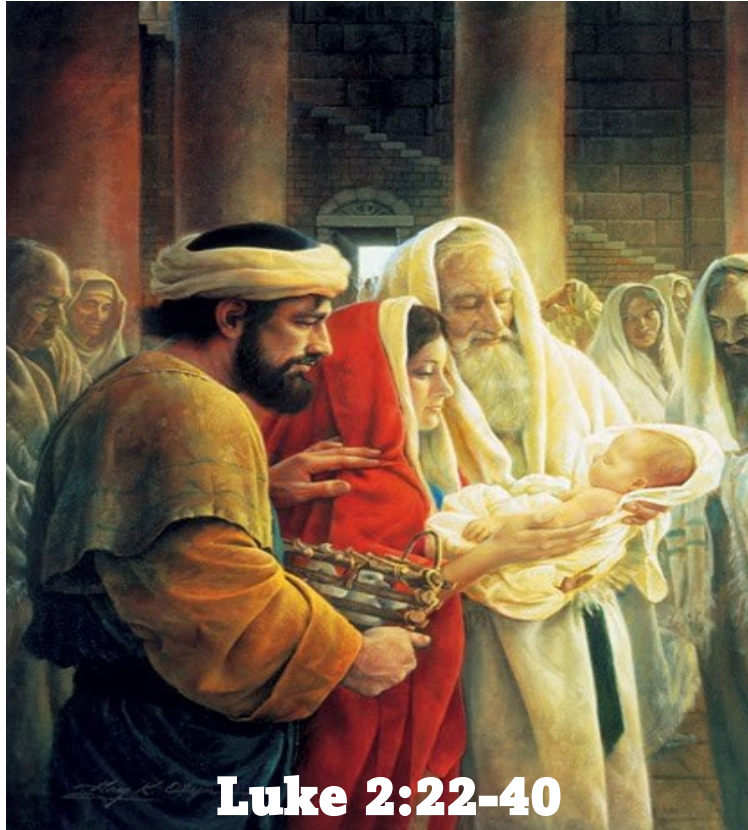


St. Paul's Episcopal Church
The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ
in the Temple
February 2, 2025
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two



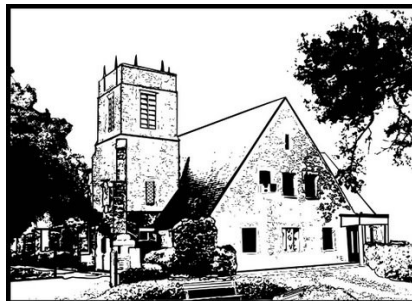
Luke 2:22-40

To All who are weary and need rest;
To All who are lowly and want friendship;
To All who mourn and need comfort;
To all who pray and all who do not, but ought;
To All who sin and need a Savior, and to whomsoever
will come...

The Church opens the door and says in the
name of the Master

Welcome to St. Paul's

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle,
Bishop of Texas
2024 VESTRY
Senior Warden –
Rebecca Rutledge
Junior Warden – Ray Hancock
Clerk - Bill Smith
Arlene Howland
Jay Todd Cleaver
Joe Maglothin
Anne Breitenstein
Organist/Choir Director–
Don Ball, Jr.
Parish Administrator
Kelly Guillot



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Morning Prayer 8:00am
Rite II (Family Service) 10:00am
Also shown Live Stream on Facebook.
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Holy Eucharist Rite Two

The service is in the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), a blue book.
Hymns are in *The Hymnal*, a maroon book. Hymn numbers beginning with "S" are at the front of *The Hymnal*.
Or *LEV, Lift Every Voice and Sing II Hymnal Or Renew Hymnal*

Celebrant: The Rev. Meg Lovejoy
Deacon: The Rev. Margaret Light
Preacher: Rev. Meg Lovejoy

Processional Hymn

The Song of Simeon

The Hymnal 499

499  Ralph V. Williams

Lord God, You now have set Your ser - vant free to go in
peace as prom-ised in Your word. Mine eyes have seen the Sav - ior, Christ the
Lord pre-paired by you for all the world to see, to shine on na-tions
trapped in dark - est night, the glo-ry of your peo-ple, and their light.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day

(See Readings Insert)

CELEBRANT: The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

Please be seated.
Hymn

Ye Servants of God

The Hymnal 535

The First Lesson:

READER: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Malachi (See Readings Insert)
READER: The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm:

READER: The appointed Psalm for today is Psalm 84 (See Readings Insert)
We will read responsively by whole verse.

The Second Lesson:

READER: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (See Readings Insert)
READER: The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel reading.

Sequence Hymn (Vv. 1& 2) *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* *The Hymnal 324*

DEACON: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel: Luke 2:22-40 (See Readings Insert)

DEACON: The Gospel of the Lord.
PEOPLE: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sequence Hymn (Vv. 3,4) *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* *The Hymnal 324*

The Sermon

Following the Sermon, all stand and say **The 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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
 who 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.

The Peace
 (All stand.)

The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

CELEBRANT: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory
Doxology

How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place
Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow, v. 3

The Hymnal 517
V. 3, 380

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly hosts: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving-Eucharistic Prayer D

The Book of Common Prayer p. 372

CELEBRANT: The Lord be with you.
 PEOPLE: **And also with you.**
 CELEBRANT: Lift up your hearts.
 PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord.**
 CELEBRANT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**
 CELEBRANT: It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 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 or kneel.)
Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Memorial Acclamation D Celebrant and People:

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you,
Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

[Remember (NN. and) all who minister in your Church.] [Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.] [Remember _____.] [Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.]

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, (with _____) and] all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *(Please say it loudly)* **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer
People and Celebrant

The Book of Common Prayer p. 365

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, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The Breaking of the Bread

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE:

Fraction Anthem:

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(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)

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.

*We joyfully invite all baptized Christians to join us at the table of our Lord.
If you prefer to receive communion in the pews, please let the ushers know.
If you do not wish to receive communion, but instead wish to receive a blessing,
come forward and stand or kneel at the altar, crossing your arms over your chest.*

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **(Amen.)**
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **(Amen.)**

Communion Music:

*If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee
How Firm a Foundation*

*The Hymnal 635
The Hymnal 636*

Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer p. 366

All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Book of Common Prayer p. 366

The Hymn:

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

The Hymnal 657

The Dismissal

DEACON: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, Feb. 2 The Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple.
 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word, with Deacon Margaret Light
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 9:15 a.m. Discussion on the different Eucharist Prayers & Morning Prayer.
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Mother Meg

Wednesday, Feb. 5 Art Class 9:30am with Shirley Marshall
 Thursday, Feb. 6 Game Group at 10:00am with Teri Duos

Sunday, Feb. 9 5th Sunday after the Epiphany
 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word, with Deacon Margaret Light
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 9:15 a.m. Discussion on the different Eucharist Prayers & Morning Prayer.
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Father Mark

Feast Days

February 25 St. Matthias, Apostle

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Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ February 2, 2025	5th Sunday after the Epiphany February 9, 2025
Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers
10:00 AM 1 st Reading and Psalm Malachi 3:1-4 Psalm 84:1-12 Annie Reeves Aidan Reeves	10:00 AM 1 st Reading and Psalm Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13) Psalm 138 Ruth Hancock
EM 2 nd Readings, Prayers, Chalice Hebrew 2:14-18 Bill Smith Gospel: Luke 2:22-40 Deacon Margaret Light Rev. Meg Lovejoy	EM 2 nd Readings, Prayers, Chalice 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Allison Maglothin Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 Deacon Margaret Light Rev. Mark Wood
Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes Vestry Person: Becky Rutledge Ushers: Ray & Ruth Hancock Altar Guild: Becky Rutledge Eric & Annie Reeves	Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes Vestry Person: Ray Hancock Ushers: Altar Guild: Bonnie Blanchard Anne Breitenstein Sherlon Jones Haley Morris Allison Maglothin
Flower Guild: Krispen Walker	Flower Guild: Delores Sterling

**The Flowers on the Altar
are given
In the Glory of God**

Happy Birthday

Rathburn, Sue 2/01
 Darby, Heather 2/14
 Quebodeux, Bay 2/16
 Weiss, Miss Lucy Alena 2/19
 Gilbeaux, Mr. Steven 2/21
 Gilbeaux, Bailey 2/21
 Bromley, Chad 2/22
 Rutledge, Mr. David 2/24
 Bromley, Tammy 2/25

Happy Anniversary

Robert & Brandi Works 2/09

Outreach Sunday

On the 1st Sunday of the Month
 St. Paul's loose plate offering will be for Outreach.
 If you make out a check, please make a note in the Memo line.
 If you have any questions, please contact me at
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Pledge envelopes are in the narthex for 2025.
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 are not able pick them up, email me at
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