

Solemn High Mass

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD (CANDLEMAS)

February 2, 2025 7 p.m.



Welcome to Atonement. We hope you will participate fully in today's service, as you feel comfortable. Customary times to stand, kneel, and sit are indicated by italic type. Words spoken by the people are indicated by bold type. Hymns can be found by number in the blue hymnal in the pewbacks.

The Mass setting is "Missa Secunda" by Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612)

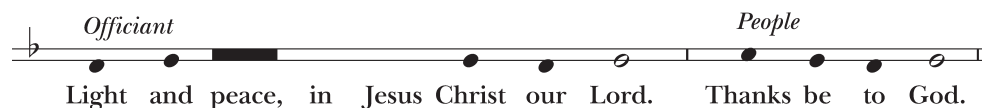
THE VOLUNTARY

Prière à Notre-Dame

Leon Boëllmann (1862–1897)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

THE GREETING



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THE BLESSING OF THE CANDLES

Dear people of God, forty days ago we celebrated the joyful feast of the incarnation of Jesus. Today we recall the day on which he was presented in the temple, fulfilling the law of Moses. Led by the Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the temple, recognized the child as the Christ, and proclaimed him with joy. United by the same Spirit, we now enter the house of God, where we shall recognize Christ in the breaking of bread.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O eternal God, who have created all things; on this day you fulfilled the petitions of the just Simeon: we humbly ask you to bless and sanctify these candles for our use. Graciously hear our prayers and be merciful to us, whom you have redeemed by your Son, who is the light of the world, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE DISTRIBUTION AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES

Cantor All



New light, the re- ve- la- tion for all men on earth; and glo- ry of God's own peo- ple Is- ra-el.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. *Antiphon.*

For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation; *Antiphon.*

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people. *Antiphon.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. *Antiphon.*

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. *Antiphon.*

Let us pray. O God, source of all light, today you revealed to the aged Simeon your light which enlightens the nations. Fill our hearts with the light of faith, that we who bear these candles may walk in the path of goodness, through Jesus Christ the Light of the World. **Amen.**

THE BIDDING TO PROCESSION



Let us go forth ___ in ___ peace.



In the Name of Christ. A - men.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 259

Hail to the Lord who comes

Old 120th

THE STATION AT THE CRÈCHE

Let us pray.

O God, you have made this day holy by the presentation of your Son in the Temple, and by the purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Mercifully grant that we, who delight in her humble readiness to be the birth-giver of the Only- begotten, may rejoice for ever in our adoption as his sisters and brothers; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE OPENING HYMN • 278

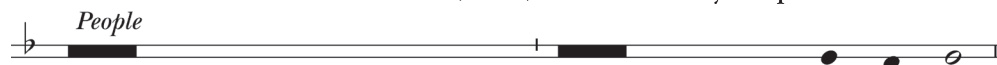
Sing we of the blessed Mother

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THE OPENING ACCLAMATON & COLLECT FOR PURITY



Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.



And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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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.**

The Choir sings

THE KYRIE

*Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

THE GLORIA

*Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te,
glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter
magnam gloriam tuam,
Dómine Deus, Rex cælestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.*

*Domine Fili Unigenite, Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi,
súscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.*

*Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Iesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu:
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.*

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your
great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of The Father,
who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
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. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The People sit for the readings from scripture.

THE 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.

THE PSALM • 24

Domini est terra

Setting: John Robinson (1812-1879)

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this? King of glory? It is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this? King of glory? Even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

THE 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.

Please stand, as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



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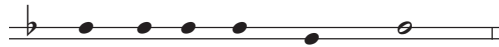
Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his: Praise him all his host.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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



Glo - ry to you, Lord Christ.

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.”

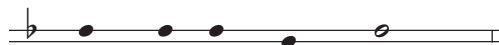
Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, 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.

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Robert Cristobal
Priest Associate

Please stand, as able, for

THE NICENE CREED

Setting: Dr Leo Sowerby (1895–1968)

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition, the People respond

Hear our prayer.

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel, as able.


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

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. **Amen.**

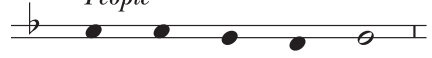
THE PEACE

Celebrant



The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you.

People



And al - so with you.

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says an Offertory sentence.

THE OFFERTORY PROPER

Diffusa est grátia

Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Suscepimus Deus

Heinrich Isaac (c.1450–1517)

*Suscepimus, Deus,
misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui:
Secundum nomen tuum,
Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terræ:
iustitia plena est dextera tua.
Magnus Dominus, et laudabilis nimis,
in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto eius.*

We have received, O God,
thy mercy in the midst of thy temple;
According to thy name, O God, so also is thy
praise unto the ends of the earth:
Thy right hand is full of righteousness.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
in the city of our God, in his holy mountain.

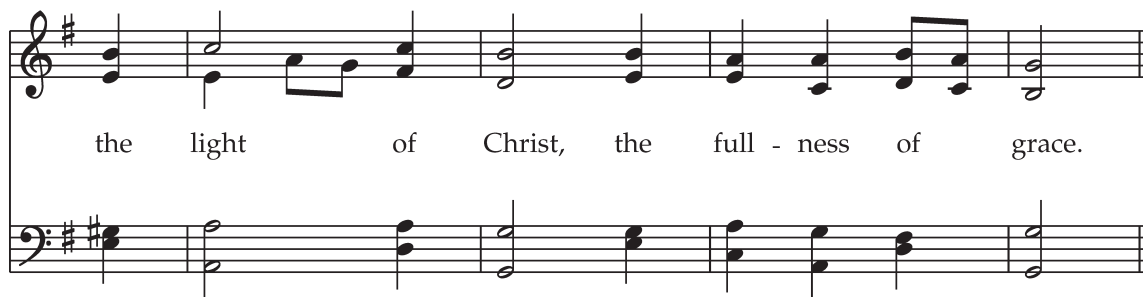
Please stand, as able, and sing

THE OFFERTORY HYMN • VF 31

When candles are lighted

Lourdes

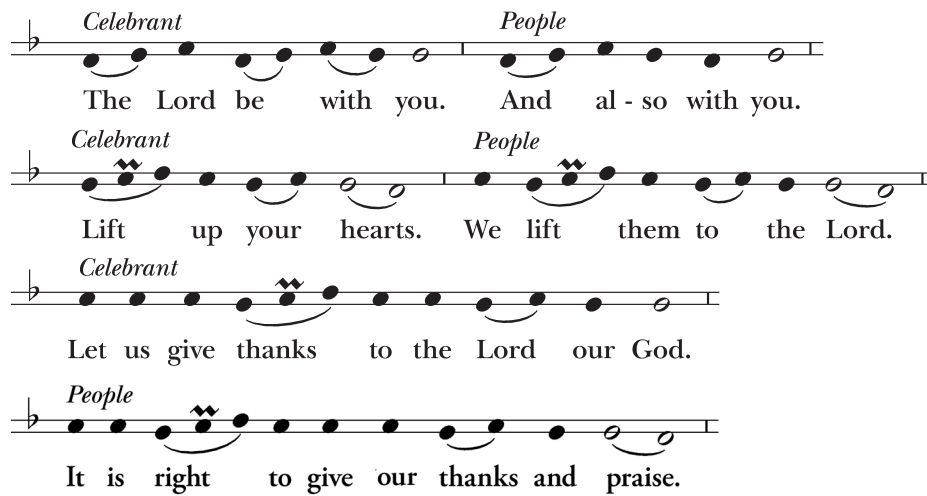
1 When can - dles are light - ed on Can - dle - mas Day
2 The kings have de - part - ed, the shep - herds have gone,
3 They go to the tem - ple, o - bey - ing the law,
the dark is be - hind us, and spring's on the way.
the child and his par - ents are left on their own.
and of - fer two pi - geons, the gift of the poor.
A glo - ry dawns in ev - ery dark place,



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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B



Setting: © Church Publishing Inc.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant offers a Proper Preface, before continuing

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Choir sings

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or stand, as able, as the Celebrant continues the prayer.

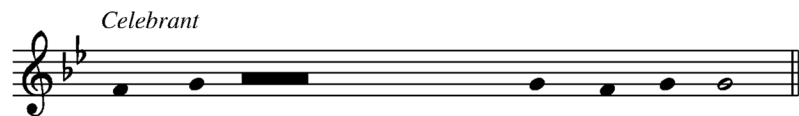
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the 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."

Celebrant

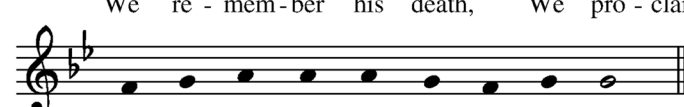


There-fore according to his com-mand, O Fa-ther,

People



We re-mem-ber his death, We pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion,



We a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

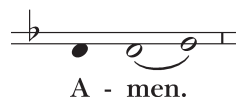
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And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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 the ever-blessed Virgin Mary 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.

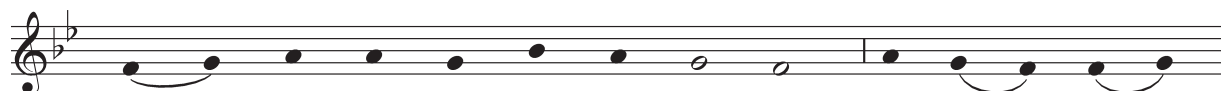
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.




A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

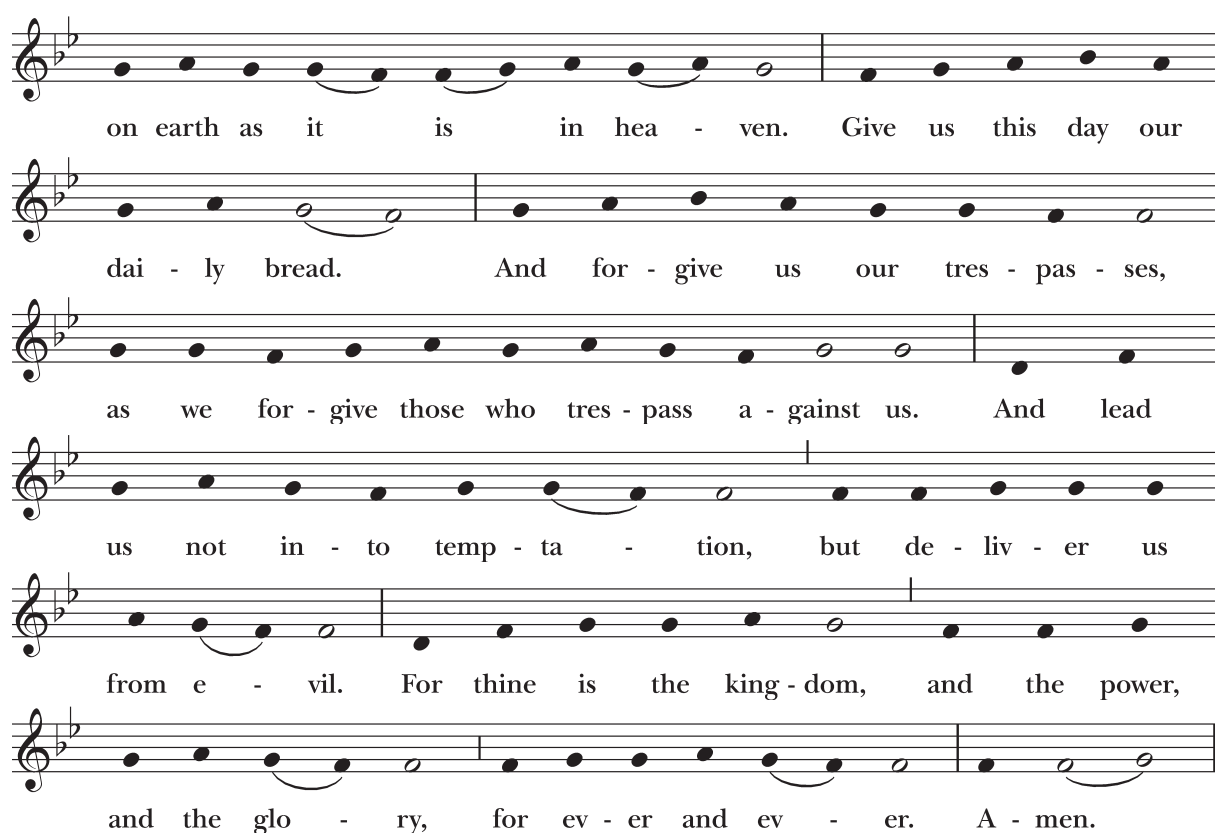
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed



be thy Name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,



Music: Plainsong, adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944). Setting: © Church Publishing Inc.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

THE AGNUS DEI

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away
the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away
the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away
the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

Everyone is welcome to come forward at this time. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion in both bread and wine. Please do not dip your bread in the wine. Gluten-free bread is available; please notify the priest as they come to you.

If you are not baptized, or if you prefer, you may receive a blessing from the priest instead: cross your arms over your chest to indicate this. If you do not wish to receive wine, cross your arms over your chest after receiving the bread. Please remain in place until the person next to you has received Communion.

THE COMMUNION PROPER

Respónsum accépit Símeon

It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death,
before he had seen the Lord's anointed.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Nunc dimittis

Christopher Tye (c.1505–1572/73)

*Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine,
secundum verbum tuum in pace:
Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum
quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum:
Lumen ad revelationem gentium,
et gloriam plebis tuae Israël.*

Now dismiss Thy servant, O Lord,
in peace, according to Thy word:
For mine own eyes hath seen Thy salvation,
Which Thou hast prepared in the sight
of all the peoples,
a light to reveal Thee to the nations
and the glory of Thy people Israel.

THE COMMUNION HYMN • 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Picardy

Please kneel or stand, as able, for

THE POSTCOMMUNION 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 BLESSING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Celebrant offers God's blessing on the congregation, to which the People respond

Amen.

Please stand, as able, for

THE DISMISSAL

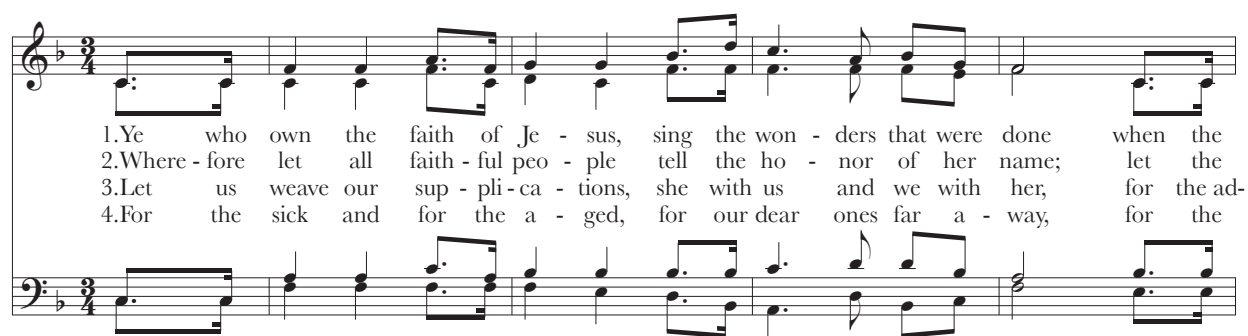
The Deacon dismisses the congregation, to which the People respond

Thanks be to God.

THE CLOSING HYMN

Ye who own the faith of Jesus

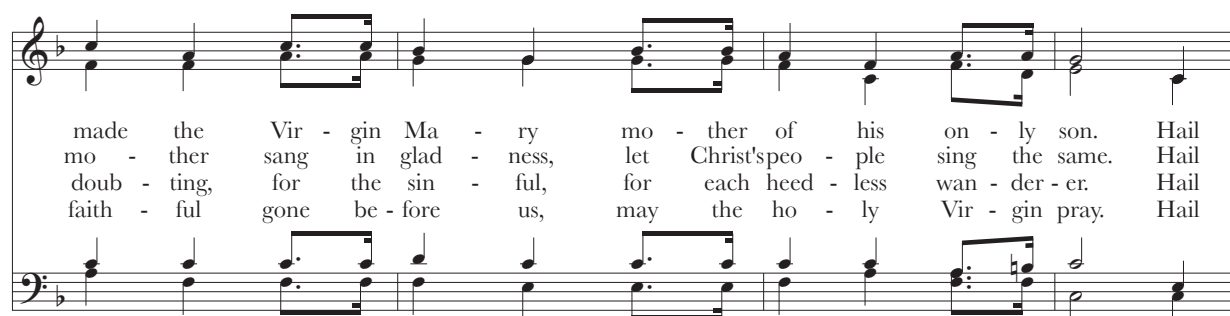
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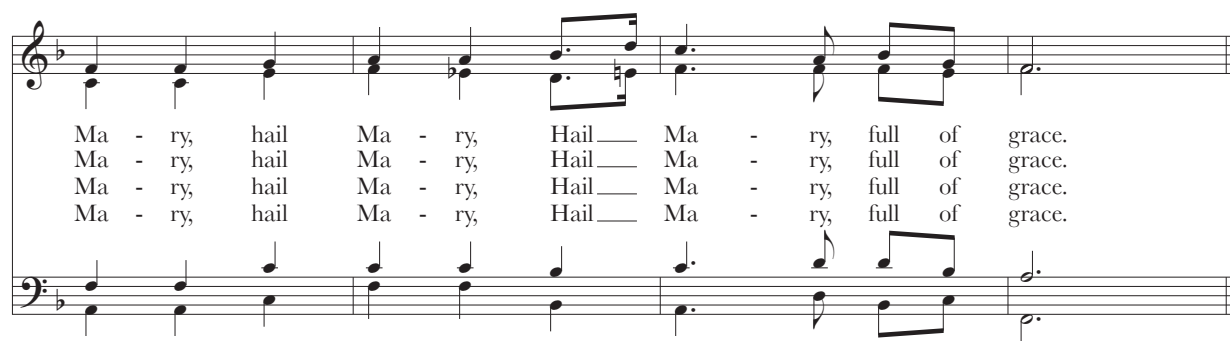
1. Ye who own the faith of Je - sus, sing the won - ders that were done when the
 2. Where - fore let all faith - ful peo - ple tell the ho - nor of her name; let the
 3. Let us weave our sup - pli - ca - tions, she with us and we with her, for the ad -
 4. For the sick and for the a - ged, for our dear ones far a - way, for the



love of God the Fa - ther o - ver sin the vic - t'ry won, when he
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 vance - ment of the faith - ful, for each faith - ful wor - ship - per, for the
 hearts that mourn in se - cret, all who need our prayers to - day, for the



made the Vir - gin Ma - ry mo - ther of his on - ly son. Hail
 mo - ther sang in glad - ness, let Christ's peo - ple sing the same. Hail
 doub - ting, for the sin - ful, for each heed - less wan - der - er. Hail
 faith - ful gone be - fore us, may the ho - ly Vir - gin pray. Hail



Ma - ry, hail Ma - ry, Hail — Ma - ry, full of grace.
 Ma - ry, hail Ma - ry, Hail — Ma - ry, full of grace.
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THE VOLUNTARY

Toccata

Leon Boëllmann (1862–1897)

TODAY'S MINISTERS

Celebrant: The Rev'd Charles Everson; *Deacon & Preacher:* The Rev'd Robert Cristobal; *Subdeacon:* Aaron Johnson; *Assisting:* The Rev'd Kate Guistolise; *Organist:* Charlie Sega; *Lectors:* Louise Gram, Brock Baer; *Intercessor:* Catherine Mendenhall

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SUNDAYS Low Mass 8 a.m., Family Mass 9 a.m., Solemn High Mass 11 a.m.

WEEKDAYS Monday and Friday 7:30 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday 12 noon, Wednesday 7 p.m.

SATURDAYS The Holy Rosary 9:30 a.m., Healing Mass 10 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER Daily 8:30 a.m. *on Google Meet*

EVENING PRAYER Tuesday 5:30 p.m. *on Google Meet*

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