



**THE CATHEDRAL**  
OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

816 Spadina Cres E, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3H4

**Presentation of our Lord in the Temple**  
**Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

**The Gathering of the Community**

**Prelude**

**Treaty Acknowledgement and Announcements** Heather Punshon

**Opening Sentence:** This is a light to reveal God to the nations and the glory of his people Israel. Luke 2: 32

**Processional Hymn:** CP# 5 "Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

**Greeting:** BAS p. 185

**The Gloria:** BAS 186 (text); CP #686 (song)

**Collect of the Day:** BAS p.401

**Children's Time**

**Blessing Song:**

*God bless and keep you (both hands raised in blessing)*

*God shine upon you (hands circling like a sunrise)*

*God's gracious presence (hands folded in prayer)*

*Abide with you in peace (one hand raised in blessing) Repeat*

**The Proclamation of the Word**

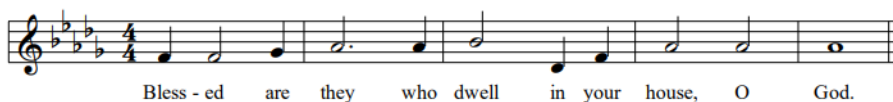
**First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4 (REB)** Ann Rowley

I am about to send my messenger to clear a path before me. Suddenly the Lord whom you seek will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight is here, here already, says the Lord of Hosts. Who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand firm when he appears? He is like a refiner's fire, like a fuller's soap; he will take his seat, testing and purifying; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver, and so they will be fit to bring offerings to the Lord. Thus the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as they were in former days, in years long past.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalm 84** BAS p. 817-818



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**Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18 (REB)** Ann Rowley

Since the children share in flesh and blood, Jesus too shared in them, so that by dying he might break the power of him who had death at his command, that is, the devil, and might liberate those who all their life

had been in servitude through fear of death. Clearly they are not angels whom he helps, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every way, so that he might be merciful and faithful as their high priest before God, to make expiation for the sins of the people. Because he himself has passed through the test of suffering, he is able to help those who are in the midst of their test.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**Alleluia:** CP#715

**The Gospel: Luke 2:22-40**

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

***Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

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 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 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.

The Gospel of Christ.

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

**Nunc Dimittis**

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

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, / which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

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. Amen

**Sermon**

Laura Marie Piotrowicz

**Nicene Creed:** BAS p.188-189

**Prayers of the People:** To the petition "Shine your light in our hearts, O Lord," we respond, "**Hear our prayers.**"

**Confession and Absolution:** BAS p.191

**The Peace:** BAS p.192

### **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Offertory Hymn:** CP# 52 "O God Unseen Yet Ever Near"

**Prayer over the Gifts:** BAS p.401

**Eucharistic Prayer #1:** BAS p.193 – 195

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord:** CP #689

**The Lord's Prayer:** BAS p.211

**The Breaking of Bread #1:** BAS p.212

**Lamb of God:** CP #690

*All those seeking Christ in their heart are welcome at the table.  
The full presence of God is in both bread and wine.  
(Gluten free wafers are available; please ask the priest.)  
Prayers for healing are offered in the Chapel.*

**Communion Hymn:** CP# 132 "Of Eternal Love Begotten"

**Prayer after Communion:** BAS p.402

**Small Doxology:** BAS p.214

### **The Sending Forth of the People of God**

**Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn:** CP# 564 "Lead Us Heavenly Father Lead Us"

**Dismissal:**

Go forth in peace, empowered by God's love for you, to love your neighbors – both the ones just like you and those different from you.

***Thanks be to God!***

**Postlude**