

ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH
The Presentation of Jesus at the Temple (Candlemas)

Sunday, February 1, 2026, 10:30am Holy Eucharist

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY
We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Processional Hymn: #380 O Worship the King

PLEASE STAND

1. O worship the King, all glorious above;
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
3. The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
4. Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.
5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.
6. O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
While angels delight to hymn thee above,
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

The Apostolic Greeting & Opening Prayer

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Almighty God,
People: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

Song of Praise: Song of Creation (Benedicite Omnia Opera)



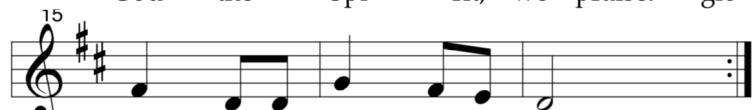
1. All you works of the Lord glo-ri - fy the Lord,
2. All you ang - els of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
3. Let the earth bless the Lord, glo-ri - fy the Lord,
4. Let the peo - ple of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
5. God - the Fa - ther, we sing: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



In the fir - ma - ment, glo-ri - fy the Lord
Sun and moon and stars glo-ri - fy the Lord,
All you beasts of the wild glo-ri - fy the Lord,
All you ser - vants of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
God the Son, we - ex - alt: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



Praise and mag - ni - fy, glo - ry fy the
Night and day bless the Lord, glo - ri - fy the
All you birds of the air glo - ri - fy the
All you hum - ble of heart glo - ri - fy the
God the Spi - rit, we praise: glo - ri - fy the



Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.
Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord

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The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

PLEASE BE SEATED

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

A Reading from the Book of Malachi.

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: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 111:1-6 PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

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Choir: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart in the assembly of the upright.

Great are the deeds, the deeds of the Lord! They are studied by all, by all who delight in them.

People: **There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism;**
there is one God who is Father of all.

Choir: His work is full of majesty, of splendour, and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

People: **There is one Lord . . .**

Choir: He gives food to those, to those who fear him; he is mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people his works in giving them the lands, the lands of the nations.

People: **There is one Lord . . .**

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrew Church.

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Gospel Acclamation

PLEASE STAND

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: *(sing verse 2) Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

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.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *(sing verse 3) Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon: Rev'd Jess Dowling

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

Affirmation of Faith: The Creed of the Church of Philippi

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Let us stand and confess our faith in the words which St. Paul gave to the Church of Philippi.
(Philippians 2:6-11)

People: **We believe that, though he was divine, Jesus did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.**

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us offer our prayers to God.

The Prayers of the People

Please respond to the petition "We pray to God," with the response, "let the light of Christ shine on us all."

All: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #84 Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

1. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, first begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, Jesus, true and living bread!
2. Here our humblest homage pay we; here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia, thou art here, we ask not how.
3. Though the lowliest form doth veil thee as of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee, branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, we in worship join with them.
4. Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia, cleansing souls from every stain.
5. Life-imparting heavenly Manna, stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, risen, ascended, glorified!

Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus:

1.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might!
2.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth!
3.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Bless - ed is he who comes
4.Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!
5.Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing:

People: (sing verse 4) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Hosanna in the highest!

The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless and strengthen us, the Church, until we come to share the joys of heaven. We praise God's endless love, and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing:

People: (sing verse 5) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Amen, amen!

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Song for the Breaking of the Bread

1,2. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have
mer - cy on us. 3. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

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The Communion

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*All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion.
If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

Music during Communion: Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

H. W. Friedell

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

The Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: CP #353 My God, How Endless Is Your Love

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

1. My God, how endless is your love!
Your gifts are every evening new,
And morning mercies from above
Gently distil, like early dew.
2. You spread the curtains of the night,
Great Guardian of my sleeping hours;
Your sovereign Word restores the light,
And quickens all my drowsy powers.
3. I yield my powers to your command;
To you I consecrate my days:
Perpetual blessings from your hand
Demand perpetual songs of praise.

Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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