

# Holy Communion: Rite Two

## Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

February 1, 2026 | 10:00 AM



### WELCOME!

We are an Episcopal (Anglican) community of various backgrounds and beliefs, drawn together by our love of God in Jesus Christ. We believe that God's radically inclusive love excludes no one. At St. Dunstan's, all people are welcome, no exceptions. Please visit our Welcome Table on the patio to get more information about our church. A "Welcome Pad" is located at the end of each pew if you would like to share your name and/or contact information. If you are interested in membership, please speak with our Rector, Rev. Rebecca. We're so glad you're here!

**Prayer book & Hymnals:** In the pews you will see various books in different colors. The red book is our Book of Common Prayer (BCP). BCP pages are included if you prefer to use the Prayer Book. The blue Hymnal 1982 contains many of the hymns in today's service. Other hymns, beginning with "J-", can be found in the white, large ringed book entitled "Make a Joyful Noise," produced by our Parish Musician, Gregory Funk.

## The Prelude

### Opening Hymn 490

*I want to walk as a child of the light*

### Opening Sentence

BCP 355

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Celebrant* There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*People* *There is one hope in God's call to us;*  
*Celebrant* One Lord, one faith, one baptism  
*People* *One God and Father of all.*

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Celebrant* 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.*

*All are seated.*

### 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

*Thanks be to God.*

"The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of / glory."

*Thanks be to God.*

## The Song of Simeon

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

*Leader*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John...

*People*            *Glory 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.*

## **Children's Moment**

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. D Rebecca Hansen

### **Baptism Hymn J-138**

*Corissa's Song*

## Holy Baptism

*Celebrant*        The candidate for baptism will now be presented: Julian Matteo Nieves

*Parents and Godparents*        *I present Julian Matteo Nieves to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*        *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant*        Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents*        *I will, with God's help.*

*Question*        Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer*        *I renounce them.*

*Question*        Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer*        *I renounce them.*

*Question*        Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer*        *I renounce them.*

*Question*        Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer*        *I do.*

*Question*        Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer*        *I do.*

*Question*        Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer*        *I do.*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People*        *We will.*

*Celebrant*        Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## The Baptismal Covenant

- Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?  
*People* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*People* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
- Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
*People* I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.
- Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of  
the bread, and in the prayers?  
*People* I will, with God's help.
- Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and  
return to the Lord?  
*People* I will, with God's help.
- Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?  
*People* I will, with God's help.
- Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?  
*People* I will, with God's help.
- Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity  
of every human being?  
*People* I will, with God's help.

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

Let us now pray for Julian who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*A Person appointed leads the following petitions*

*Leader* Deliver Julian, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Open his heart to your grace and truth.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Send him into the world in witness to your love.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Celebrant*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

## **Thanksgiving over the Water**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the

bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **The Baptism**

*Julian Matteo*, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, spirits to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Julian, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Receive the light of Christ as a sign that you have passed from darkness into light. Shine as his light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

### **Presentation of the Baptismal Candle**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.



## The Peace

BCP 360

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

And also with you.

## Announcements

**Birthday and Anniversary Prayers,** *said together*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayer Quilts,** *said together*

Gracious and Loving God, we thank You for the loving hands and spirits of those who created this quilt for the comfort of those in need. Let this quilt be a tangible sign and symbol of your enfolding love as Your Holy Spirit embraces them, eases their pain and worry, and brings them Your comfort and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## Offertory Sentence

**Offertory Anthem:** *Forever loved*

Kevin R. Hackett

You're called by name forever loved, adopted as a child of God.  
Now one with us, the family of those who know and love the Lord.  
Lord in your hands we place your own.  
Lord in their lives make your love known.

Marked as Christ's own, signed by the cross where Jesus for our sins once died.  
With Jesus buried in His death, called to confess Christ crucified.  
Lord in your hands we place your own.  
Lord in their lives make your love known.

Raised to new life, a life of grace, set free from sin in Christ to grow;  
his resurrection to proclaim, his love in all of life to know.  
Lord in your hands we place your own.  
Lord in their lives make your love known.

Sealed by the Spirit, Lord of life, sustained and strengthened by his might.  
Joined to the Church to share with us, the inheritance of saints in light.

Lord in your hands we place your own.  
 Lord in their lives make your love known.

## The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

The Lord be with you. And al- so 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.

*Celebrant* 3 *People* 3 *Celebrant* 3 *People* 3

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*f* *People*  
 Glory to you for ever and ever.

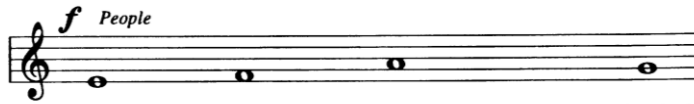
At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*f* *People*  
 By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*mp* *People*  
 Have mer-cy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.



By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

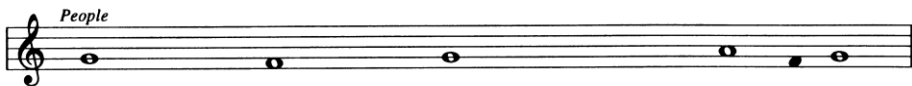
Ho- ly, ho- ly, ho- ly Lord,  
 God of pow- er and might, Hea- ven and earth are full of your  
 glo- ry. Ho- san- na, Ho- san- na, in the high-  
 est. Bless- ed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho-  
 san- na, Ho- san- na in the high- est.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,



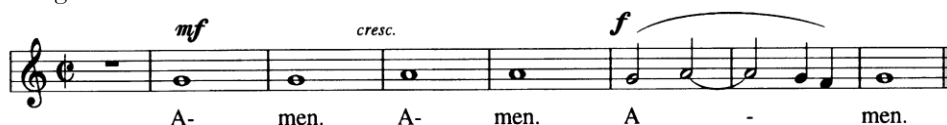
We celebrate his death and re-sur-rec-tion, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at

work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.



(Sung) Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



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





## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

## Christ our Passover (8:00 spoken)

*mp*  
[ Al- le- lu - ia, ] Christ our  
*p*  
Pass- o- ver is sac- ri- ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the  
feast. [ Al- le- lu - ia. ]  
[ ] = omit during Lent

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.

## The Communion

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church regardless of your church/ denominational background. Please extend 2 hands if you wish to have your bread dipped into the wine and extend one hand if you prefer to receive bread only and/or the common cup. If you need gluten free bread or prefer no wine, please indicate this. If you do not want Communion, you can come forward for a blessing instead, indicated by crossing your hands over your chest or simply remain in your seat.*

**Communion Solo: Borning Cry**

John Ylvisaker

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, To see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, With a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off To find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the living God, To whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time And you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme From dusk 'till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, Not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, Complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in, And you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been With just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, To see your life unfold. Psalm 139

**Communion Hymn J-130**

*Come to the water*

**Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors**

In the name of Christ Jesus, and through the family of St. Dunstan's, we send you out bearing these holy gifts for God's holy people: that those who will receive them with us may experience the majesty and the mystery of His presence. We who are many are one body,

*People because we all share one bread and one cup.*

**Post Communion Prayer**

BCP 365

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.

## Blessing

## Closing Hymn 657

*Love divine, all loves excelling*

## The Dismissal

Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*Thanks be to God. Alleluia!*

## The Postlude

We also pray for requests from our community:

- For an end to war and peace for the people of Syria, Sudan, Congo, Ukraine and Venezuela
- For God's compassion, truth, and peace to rule in our hearts as a nation.
- For local and international stability and security.
- For peace in Iran and Minnesota
- For refugees and migrants and for all refugee families being served through our church and the ministries of our diocese.

## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen, Rector
Music	Gregory Funk, Parish Musician Deborah Berglund, Children's Victory Choir Jim Adams, soloist Gail Schmidt, violin
Readers	Evan Martin, Mindy Wilcox, Jennifer Gaebe
Eucharistic Ministers	Kirt Mitchell, Sarah Mitchell, Sandia Tuttle
Altar Guild	Melody, Kristen
Acolytes	Seth
Sunday Sexton	Ryan Sifton

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**Church office hours: M-TH, 9am-3pm; Fridays 9am-12pm noon**

## INFORMATION FOR THE SERVICE

**St. Dunstan's Pledge cards** are available in the back of the church. You can mail a check to the office or donate online through ACS or on [www.stdunstans.org](http://www.stdunstans.org) or in person on Sunday morning.

If you wear **hearing aids with T-coil** you can hear our service directly through your hearing aids. If you do not have T-coil, or have hearing loss and are not yet ready for hearing aids, you can use one of our portable receivers and headset. A "**quiet room**" with streaming of the service is available in the back corner of this building and accessible seating options are marked and available throughout the church. Check with a Hospitality Minister for assistance.

**Children of all ages** are welcome in our services (noises and all). Our nursery is also open all morning for ages 0-3 (located on the east side of this building) and our "Pray-Ground" (front-left pew of the church) is open during the service with quiet children's activities. Christian education is at 9:00am for all ages (Sept-May) and during the 10:00am service children are welcome to come forward for a "Children's Moment" and may leave with teachers during the sermon for brief children's education and return just before Holy Communion. Children of all ages may receive Holy Communion at their parent's discretion.

**Accessible bathrooms** are located inside the church to the left and right of the main entrance. Please let a Hospitality Minister know if you need assistance with anything or have any questions.

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