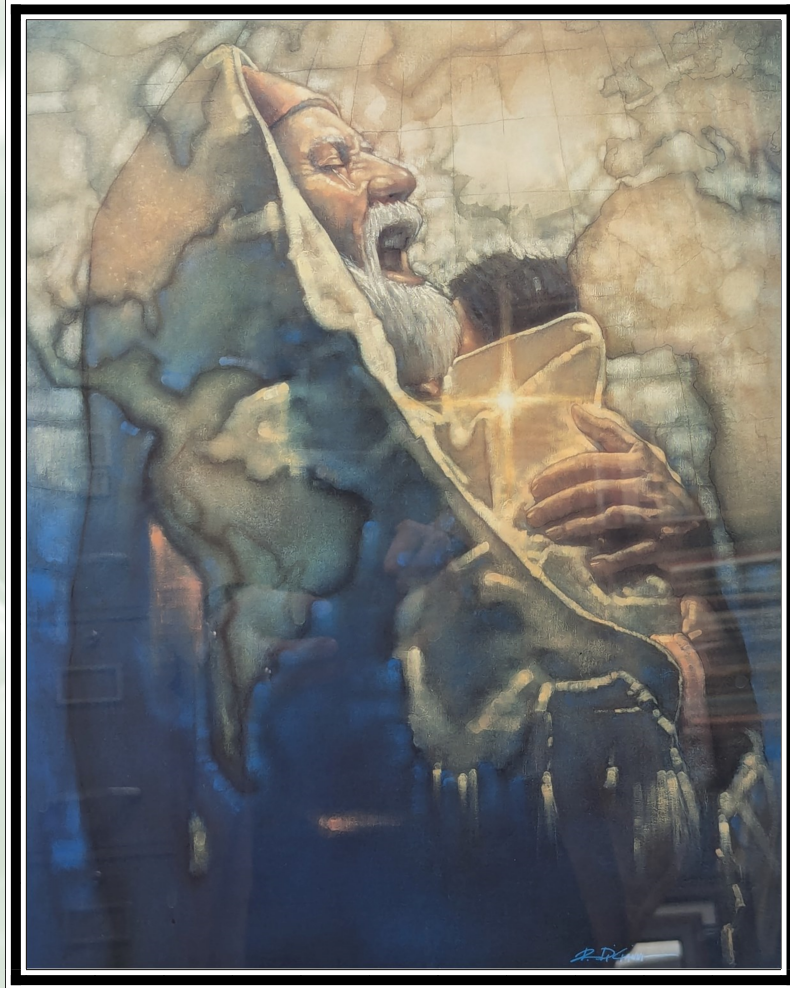


The Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2025



Simeon's Moment

The Catholic
Community of **St. John &
Blessed Sacrament**

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GATHERING SONG

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Bernadette Farrell



1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone —
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —
4. warmth, — man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth-ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth-ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

SALUTATION
BLESSING OF CANDLES.....All: AMEN
At 5:00 pm only: PROCESSION
At all other Masses: Proceed with the GLORY TO GOD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We Are the Light of the World

Verses



1. Bless - ed are they who are poor in spir - it,
2. Bless - ed are they who are meek and hum-ble,
3. Bless - ed are they who will mourn in sor-row,
4. Bless those who hun - ger and thirst for jus - tice,
5. Bless - ed are they who show oth - ers mer - cy,
6. Bless - ed are hearts that are clean and ho - ly,
7. Bless - ed are those who bring peace a - mong us,
8. Bless those who suf - fer from per - se - cu - tion,

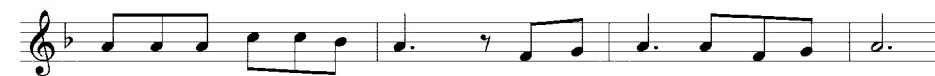


Theirs is the king-dom of God. Bless us, O Lord, make us
 They will in - her - it the earth. Bless us, O Lord, make us
 They will be com - fort - ed. Bless us, O Lord, when we
 They will be sat - is - fied. Bless us, O Lord, hear our
 They will know mer - cy, too. Bless us, O Lord, hear our
 They will be - hold the Lord. Bless us, O Lord, make us
 They are the chil-dren of God. Bless us, O Lord, may your
 Theirs is the king-dom of God. Bless us, O Lord, when they



poor in spir - it;
 meek and hum-ble;
 share their sor-row;
 cry for jus - tice; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
 cry for mer - cy;
 pure and ho - ly;
 peace be with us;
 per - se - cute us;

Refrain



We are the light of the world, May our light shine be-fore all,



That they may see the good that we do, And give glo - ry to God.

GLORY TO GOD

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to
peo - ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -
dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for
your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav - en - ly King, O
God, al - might - y Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ,
On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,
you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on
us; you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our
prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,
have mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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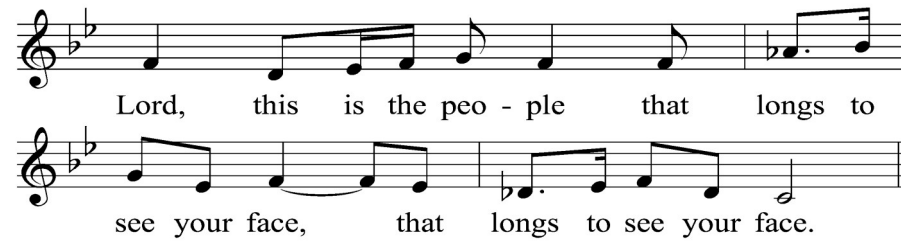
FIRST READING

Malachi 3:1-4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 24

Lord, This Is the People



Lord, this is the peo - ple that longs to
see your face, that longs to see your face.

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SECOND READING

Hebrews 2:14-18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Barbara Bridge



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

UNIVERSAL PRAYERS

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME

Bernadette Farrell



1. O God, you search me and you know me.
2. You know my rest - ing and my ris - ing.
3. Be - fore a word is on my tongue, Lord,
4. Al - though your Spir - it is up - on me,
5. For you cre - at - ed me and shaped me,



1. All my thoughts lie o - pen to your gaze.
2. You dis - cern my pur - pose from a - far,
3. You have known its mean - ing through and through.
4. Still I search for shel - ter from your light.
5. Gave me life with - in my moth - er's womb.

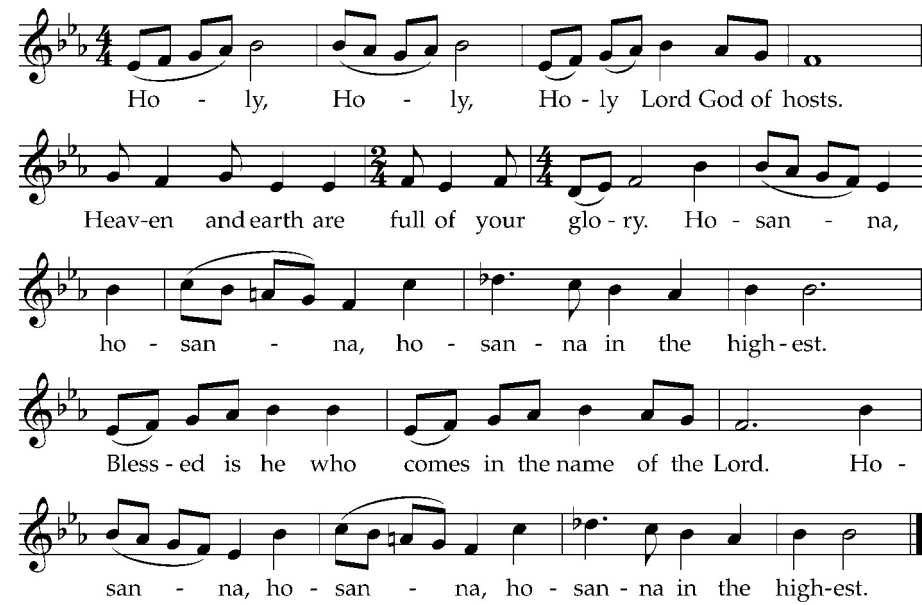


1. When I walk or lie down you are be - fore me:
2. And with love ev - er - last - ing you be - siege me:
3. You are with me be - yond my un - der - stand - ing:
4. There is no - where on earth I can es - cape you:
5. For the won - der of who I am, I praise you:



1. Ev - er the mak - er and keep - er of my days.
2. In ev - 'ry mo - ment of life or death, you are.
3. God of my pres - ent, my past and fu - ture, too.
4. E - ven the dark - ness is ra - diant in your sight.
5. Safe in your hands, all cre - a - tion is made new.

PREFACE ACCLAMATION

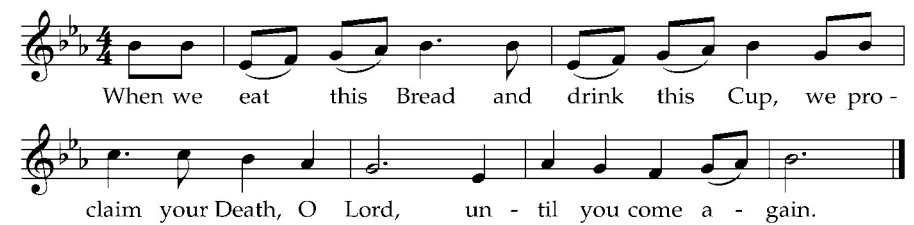


Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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GREAT AMEN

A - men. A - men. A - men.

The musical notation for 'GREAT AMEN' is written on a single staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody consists of three phrases: 'A - men.' (quarter notes), 'A - men.' (quarter notes), and 'A - men.' (quarter notes). The final note of the third phrase is a whole note.

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LAMB OF GOD

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

The musical notation for 'LAMB OF GOD' is written on three staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The first staff is marked 'Cantor' and 'All'. The second staff is marked 'Cantor' and 'All'. The third staff is marked 'Cantor' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.'

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COMMUNION HYMNCenter of My Life

Refrain
O Lord, you are the cen-ter of my life:
I will al-ways praise you, I will al-ways serve you,
I will al-ways keep you in my sight.

The musical notation for 'COMMUNION HYMNCenter of My Life' is written on three staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The first staff is marked 'Refrain'. The lyrics are: 'O Lord, you are the cen-ter of my life: I will al-ways praise you, I will al-ways serve you, I will al-ways keep you in my sight.'

Verses 1- 3



1. Keep me safe, O God, I take ref-uge in you. I
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me coun - sel, who
3. And so my heart re - joic - es, my soul is glad; 7



say to the Lord, "You are my God. My
e - ven at night di - rects my heart. I
e - ven in safe - ty shall my bod-y rest. For



hap - pi - ness lies in you a - lone; my
keep the Lord ev - er in my sight: since
you will not leave my soul a-mong the dead, nor

D.C.



hap - pi - ness lies in you a - lone."
he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.
let your be - lov - ed know de - cay.

Verse 4



4. You will show me the path of life, the



full - ness of joy in your pres - ence, at your right hand,

D.C.



at your right hand hap - pi - ness for ev - er.

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SONG FOR THE JOURNEY

GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

Paul Inwood



1. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
2. Be Christ's hands, now reach - ing out to all.
3. Live your life with care for the op - pressed.
4. Strong in faith, we know the task a - head:



1. Go in peace: be - come the liv - ing Word!
2. Be Christ's voice, in - vit - ing with his call.
3. Strive for peace, that all are tru - ly blessed.
4. hands must bake and serve the dai - ly bread.



1. Christ on our lips and Christ in our hearts, may we
2. Filled with his joy, em - pow'ed with his strength, may we
3. When times are hard and dark - ness sur - rounds, may we
4. Us - ing our gifts, with joy in our hearts, may we



1. show God's love to the world, to the world,
2. spread God's grace through the world, through the world,
3. shine God's light on the world, on the world,
4. be God's pres - ence in the world, in the world,



1. may we show God's love to the world.
2. may we spread God's grace through the world.
3. may we shine God's light on the world.
4. may we be God's pres - ence in the world.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

