

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Service Bulletin

Presentation of our Lord

February 2nd, 2025

P: Pastor

L: Liturgist

C: Congregation

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading – Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 84

- ¹ How dear to me is your dwelling,
O Lord of hosts!
- ² **My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**
- ³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.
- ⁴ **Happy are they who dwell in your house!
They will always be praising you.**
- ⁵ Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- ⁶ **Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**
- ⁷ They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸ **Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob.**

⁹ Behold our defender, O God;
and look upon the face of your anointed.

¹⁰ **For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in
the tents of the wicked.**

¹¹ For the Lord God is both sun and shield, bestowing grace and glory;
no good thing will the Lord withhold from those who walk with integrity.

¹² **O Lord of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!**

Second Reading – Hebrews 2:14-18

(All who are able, please rise.) Gospel Acclamation – **C: Alleluia.** My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples. *Alleluia. (Luke 2:30-31)*

Gospel – Luke 2:22-40

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED – ELW pg. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

Lord's Prayer – ELW pg. 112

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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OSLC Calendar of Events:

Feb. 2, 2025 – 9:45 AM – Traditional worship service

Feb. 9, 2025 – 9:45 AM- Worship of Holy Communion

Feb. 16, 2025 – No in person worship service

– Online with Lutheran Church of the Cross (Victoria)

Feb. 23, 2025 – 9:45 AM- Traditional worship service

Youth Group: Every Sunday, 5:00-8:00 PM - 2SLGBTQIA+ and allies Youth Group for ages 15-29.

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

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FIRST READING – Malachi 3:1-4

¹ 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. ² 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; ³ 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. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

L: Word of God, word of life

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING – Hebrews 2:14-18

¹⁴ Since, therefore, the 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, ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held

in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶ For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷ 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. ¹⁸ Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

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C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING - Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

C: Glory To You, O Lord

²² When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), ²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

²⁵ 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. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided 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, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then 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 ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

³⁶There 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, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left

the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At 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.

³⁹When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

P: The gospel of the LORD.

C: Praise to you, O Christ