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The Eve of the Presentation of the Lord

Sung Evening Prayer

With music from the Taizé Community

Christ Church Cathedral, February 1, 2026 at 4:00 PM

You are invited to join in the prayers and singing of the congregational hymns and refrains as we make our offering of prayer and praise. Indications for standing and sitting are suggested, although we invite you to adopt a pose according to your comfort and custom.

Gathering Song Gaudete (Sitting)

Music: Jacques Berthier, Taizé Community

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We sing twice through together. Then we sing in a round (canon) with groups entering at the points marked A, and B.

A cantor sings a descant to the words:

“Rejoice, rejoice, Christ is born, Alleluia! Christ is born of the Virgin Mary.”

(We stand)

The Dean/Officiant The Cathedral sits on the ancestral lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tseil-Waututh nations. This land was and continues to be of great importance to the Coast Salish Peoples. Consistent with our values of community, inclusion and respecting the dignity of every human being, we have a responsibility to acknowledge, honour and make visible the Cathedral's relationship to Native peoples.

All **From many places and peoples we come to this house of prayer.**

The Service of Light (Standing)

Sentence (Officiant)

This is a light to reveal God to the nations and the glory of his people Israel. [Luke 2.32]

Officiant Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

People **A light no darkness can extinguish.**

(Candles and lamps are lit during the singing of the hymn.)

Sing a New Creation 2

Thanksgiving

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

You gave your Christ as a light to the nations,
and through the anointing of the Spirit
you established us as a royal priesthood.

A you call us into your marvellous light,
may our lives bear witness to your truth
and our lips never cease to proclaim you.

Blessed be God: Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit.

(All sit) *Incense is offered as Psalm 141 is sung*

Psalm 141: 1-4a, 8

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The congregation sings the refrain with the choir. The cantors sing the verses.

Refrain

Rerain

Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense; and the

lift - ing of my hands as the eve-night sac - ri - fice.

(The following responses are spoken.)

Officiant O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly;
People **Hear my voice when I cry to you.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Psalm 113 and 122 (Seated)

All sing the refrain twice in Latin at the beginning. As the leader speaks the psalm verses, we hum softly.

Nunc di - mit - tis ser - dum tu - um Do - mi -
Let your ser - vant now go in peace, O

ne, se - cun - dum ver - bum
Lord, now go in peace ac -

ne, Do - mi - ne, se - cun - dum ver - bum
Lord, O Lord, now go in peace ac -

cord - ing tu - um in pa - ce, (Do - mi - ne.)
to your word, (to your word.)

Psalm 113: Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord.

2 Let the name of the Lord be blessed, from this time forth for evermore.

3 From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the Lord be praised.

4 The Lord is high above all nations, and is glorious above the heavens. **REFRAIN**

5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high,

6 but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

7 The Lord takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

8 The Lord sets them with the rulers, with the rulers of this people,

9 making the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children. **REFRAIN**

Psalm 122: I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

2 Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself.

4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel,

to praise the name of the Lord. **REFRAIN**

5 For there are the thrones of judgement, the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.

8 For my kindred and companions’ sake, I pray for your prosperity.

9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do you good.” **REFRAIN**

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. **REFRAIN**

The Proclamation of the Word

Reading 1 Samuel 1: 20-28a

Responsory [Spoken]

Officiant Arise, shine, for your light has come;
the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

People **Arise, shine, for your light has come;**
the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

Officiant God's salvation has been openly shown to all people.
the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

Officiant Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:
People **Arise, shine, for your light has come;**
the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

Song **The Lord is my light**

We sing through twice all together, and we continue in a round (canon) with groups entering at numbers 1, and 2.

Theme I

1. 2.

The Lord is my light, my light and sal - va - tion: in
God I trust, I trust, in God I trust.

Last time

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Reading Romans 8: 14-21

Canticle**Magnificat (All stand)**

We sing through twice all together, and we continue in a round (canon) with groups entering at numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Magnificat

Canon

1. Ma - gní - fi - cat, ma - gní - fi - cat, Ma - gní - fi - cat á - ni - ma

2. me - a Dó - mi - num. Ma - gní - fi - cat, ma - gní - fi - cat,

3. Ma - gní - fi - cat á - ni - ma me - a!

Text: Luke 1:46, *My soul magnifies the Lord*; Taizé Community, 1978

Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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Affirmation of Faith

Said by all, standing.

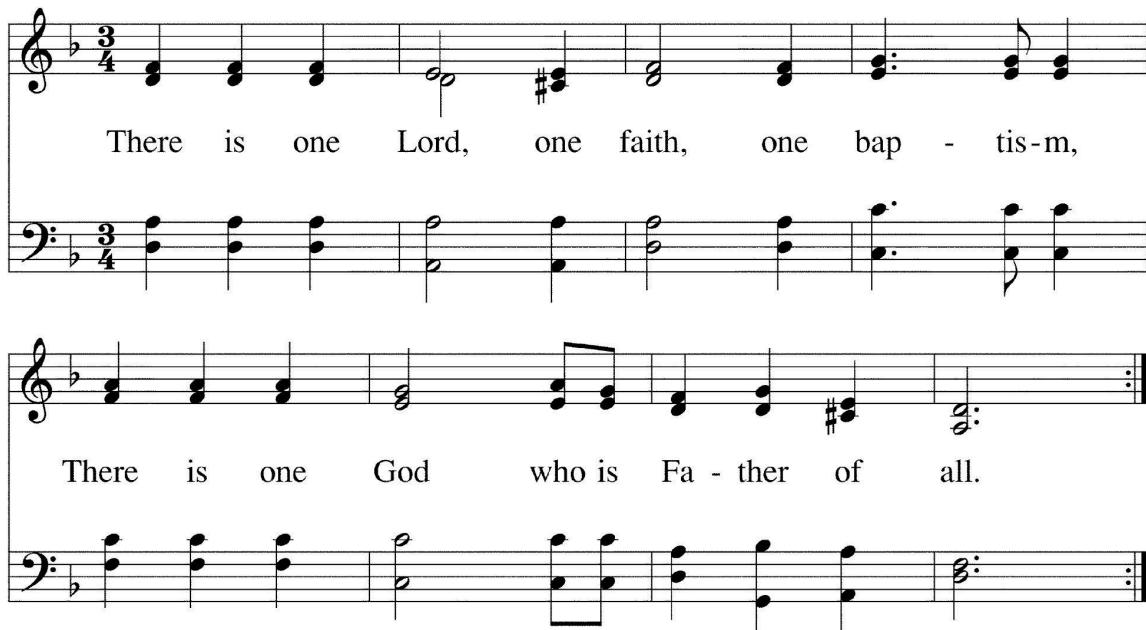
**Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.
This is the first and the great commandment.
The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.
There is no commandment greater than these.**

Response to the Affirmation of Faith (Standing)

We sing the response three times all together.

Text: Ephesians 4, Taizé Community, 1984.

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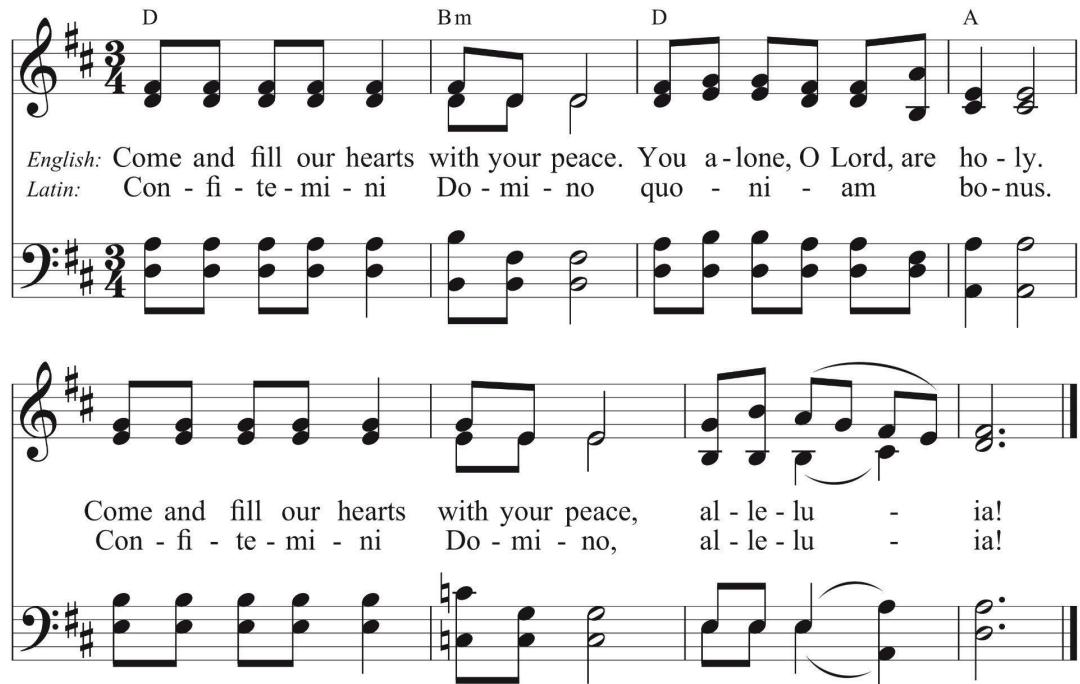
There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

There is one God who is Father of all.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings (Stand or sit, as is your custom for prayer)

All sing the refrain **twice in English** at the beginning. As the leader speaks the verses of the psalm, we hum the refrain softly. Between the prayer petitions, we sing the refrain **once in Latin**.

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D Bm D A

English: Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Latin: Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al - le - lu - ia!
Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no, al - le - lu - ia!

The Collect

Officiant Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
for you have sent us your salvation.

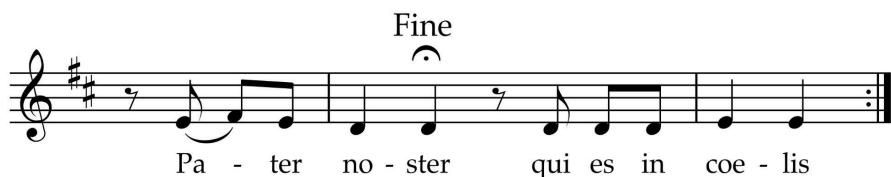
Inspire us by your Holy Spirit
to recognize him who is the glory of Israel
and the light for all nations,
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

The congregation repeats the phrase “Pater noster qui es in coelis” until the cantor has finished reciting the prayer.



*[Cantor] 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*

Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Song (*Standing*)

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*We sing through **twice** all together in **Latin**, then we split into two groups for the canon.*

Canon—2 voices

(A) (B)

Ju - bi - la - te De - o om - nis ter - ra.
Raise a song of glad-ness, peo-plies of the earth.

Ser - vi - te Do - mi - no in lae - ti - ti - a.
Christ has come, bring-ing peace, joy to ev - 'ry heart.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, in lae - ti - ti - a!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, joy to ev - 'ry heart!

Text: Psalm 100, *Rejoice in God, all the earth, Serve the Lord with gladness*; Taizé Community, 1978

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Officiant

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

All

Amen.

Sundays@4

Sundays@4 features a different music-centered worship each Sunday at 4 p.m. based on the service of Evening Prayer, following the Revised Common Lectionary.

Please join us in-person for Sundays@4. These services are not livestreamed.

Sunday February 8: Choral Evensong

with the Cathedral Choir, and the Choir of St. John the Baptist, Sardis (Chilliwack), B.C.

Repertoire includes the Evening Canticles (Collegium Regale) by Herbert Howells and “Faire is the Heaven” by William Harris

Sunday February 15: A Prayer Service for Iran

with music from the Taizé Community (France)

Sunday February 22: Freedom Sunday

Broadway Vespers: Solo and ensemble songs from Broadway musicals resonating with the readings, prayers, and themes of the day.

Participants

Clergy Dr. Shawn Bullock (*Deacon, St John-the-Evangelist, North Vancouver*)
Reader John Innes
Music The Cathedral Taizé Choir and instrumentalists
Neil Cockburn (*Director of Music*)

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