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# *Candlemas: The Feast of the Presentation*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026

10:30 A.M.

*Choral Eucharist | In-Person & Livestream*

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The Reverend Stuart Mennigke, *Presider*

The Venerable Peggy Trendell-Jensen, *Preacher*

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# Welcome to the Cathedral

Whether today is your first time with us, or if this is your spiritual home, we welcome you to the Cathedral. We're glad that you're here today.

We envision a radically inclusive, restlessly inquisitive, intentional, and inspired Cathedral. This is a place that is called to lead and to serve, in communion and community, with healing, reconciliation, and love, living out the Christian mission. Together, we look to the power of Christ for the transformation of each person, this city of Vancouver, and the world.

We recognize our history and traditions while seeking renewal and growth in spiritual depth and size. Curious and adaptable, this chorus has room for every voice — especially yours.

To learn more about the many ministries and opportunities for service in this community, please visit our website: [www.thecathedral.ca](http://www.thecathedral.ca). Following our worship service, please join us for coffee hour in the parish hall.

Thank you for joining us today. Your presence enriches our life together.

Faithfully yours in Christ,



The Very Rev. Christopher A. Pappas, Ph.D., D.Min.  
Dean & Rector



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## *A message to children and their grown-ups*

We're glad you're here! Here are a few things we would like you to know about our 10:30 a.m. worship service:

- Playmats and an activity cart with books, puzzles and colouring are available at the front of the church;
- Parents are invited to drop off children aged 2.5+ downstairs in the Park Room for Sunday school.

Sunday school starts at 10:30 a.m. and children will return to sit with their parents for communion. The nursery is available downstairs as a quiet space for you and your children. The service is live streamed so you can follow the worship.

## *Need to reach us?*

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We're here to support you — feel free to reach out anytime!



*Cathedral parish announcements will commence shortly before 10:30 a.m.*  
***The Gathering of the Community***

**Processional Hymn**

***O God of Font and Altar***

Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-).

Music: WOLVERCOTE, William Harold Ferguson (1874-1950).

1. O God of font and al - tar, of mu - sic, gran - deur,  
2. O life - be - stow - ing\_ Spir - it, in - spire this hal - lowed  
3. O Christ, who cleansed the tem - ple, bap - tize us with your

light; toward whom the soar - ing\_ arch - es as -  
space; breathe through us with new\_ fer - - vour and -  
zeal, and teach us your com - pas - sion to -

pire be - yond their height: as beau - ty draws us -  
fill us with your grace. A - rouse our lag - ging -  
love, for - give, and heal. Be in our midst to -

to\_\_\_\_ you with - in this house of prayer, let  
spir - its, en - flame our hearts with joy; here  
claim\_\_\_\_ us and mark us as your own; then

wor-ship form and feed us to help us show your care.  
let a love be kin - dled that death can - not de - stroy.  
send us forth in wit - ness to make your mer - cy known.

*Presider*

Dear friends, about forty days ago, we celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now we recall the day on which he was presented in the Temple when he was offered to the Father and shown to the people. As a sign of his coming among us, his mother was purified, as we now come to him for cleansing. In their old age, Simeon and Anna recognized him as their Lord, as we today sing of his glory.

In this eucharist, we celebrate both the joy of his coming and his searching judgment, looking back to the day of his birth and forward to the coming days of his passion.

United by the Spirit, we gather in this house of God on the unceded ancestral lands of the xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səl̓ílwətaʔɬ (Tsleil-Waututh) nations to worship Christ and to recognize him in the breaking open of the Word, in the prayers, and in the breaking of bread.

In this time and place, we pray that the light of God may continue to illumine our hearts and minds.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All*

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

## **The Blessing of the Candles**

*Presider*      Blessed are you, Lord our God, Creator of the universe.

You make our darkness to be light.

For with you is the well of life, and in your light shall we see light.

*All*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The presider blesses the candles, saying*

Lord God, the springing source of everlasting light,  
pour into the hearts of your faithful people the brilliance of your eternal splendour,  
that we, who by these kindling flames light up this temple to your glory,  
may have the darkness of our souls dispelled,  
and so be counted worthy to stand before you in that eternal city  
where you live and reign, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Gloria**

*Missa Brevis ("Tongues of Fire")*

Cecilia McDowall (1951- )

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider*      Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

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

*All*

**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. Amen.**

# *The Proclamation of the Word*

## **The First Reading**

*At the conclusion of the reading:*

*Reader* Word of God, word of life.

*All* Thanks be to God.

Malachi 3:1-4

**Psalm 24:7-10**

*Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates*  
(from *Messiah*)

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

## **The Second Reading**

*At the conclusion of the epistle:*

Hebrews 2:14-18

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

*All* Thanks be to God.

## **Sequence Hymn**

*King of Glory, King of Peace*

Text: George Herbert (1593-1633).

Music: GENERAL SEMINARY, David Charles Walker (1938-2018).

1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;  
2 Where - fore with my ut-most art, I will sing thee;  
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

and that love may never cease, I will move thee.  
and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.  
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.

Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;  
Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;  
Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

thou didst note my work-ing breast, thou hast spared me.  
and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.  
ev'n e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*All* And also with you.

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*All* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*After the Gospel, the Deacon says:*

The Gospel of Christ.

*All* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## The Sermon

The Venerable Peggy Trendell-Jensen

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

## The Nicene Creed

*Deacon* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*All* We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified.

Who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*Please Scan the QR code at the back of the bulletin for the Prayer Cycles.*

## The Confession and Absolution

*Deacon* The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.  
Let us confess our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*All* We confess that we have sinned against you and against one another, in thought, and word, and deed. We are truly sorry for our pride, and for our lack of faith, of understanding and of love. We repent of our narrow-mindedness, of our bitterness and our prejudices. Pardon and forgive us, save us and renew us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

## The Peace

*Presider* Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.  
The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new.  
The peace of Christ be always with you.

*All* And also with you.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## *The Celebration of the Eucharist*

### The Offertory

Thank you for your prayerful stewardship of the ministries of the Cathedral. Your generosity at any amount matters, because your stewardship empowers our mission to advance the Good News of God's infinite love and mercy through our worship, ministries, formation, and service. You may make a gift using the offering plate being passed around at this time or refer to the back page of this bulletin to see other methods. Together with the gifts of bread and wine, we present our gifts at the altar as a sign of thanksgiving to God, from whom all good things come.

### Offertory Hymn

#### *Of Eternal Love Begotten*

(CP 132)

Text: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413?); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: DIVINUM MYSTERIUM, melody plainsong, Mode 8 (12th cent.?); adapt. *Piae Cantiones*, 1582; harm. Healey Willan (1880-1968).

1 Of eternal Love begotten  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega,  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are and have been,  
and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore.

2 At his Word the worlds were framed.  
He commanded, it was done:  
heaven and earth and depths of ocean  
in their threefold order one;  
all that grows beneath the shining  
of the moon and burning sun,  
evermore and evermore.

3 O that birth for ever blessed,  
when the virgin, full of grace,  
by the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
bare the Saviour of our race,  
and the babe, the world's redeemer,  
first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore.

4 This is he whom seers in old time  
chanted of with one accord,  
whom the voices of the prophets  
promised in their faithful word;  
now he shines, the long-expected;  
let creation praise its Lord,  
evermore and evermore.

5 O ye heights of heaven adore him;  
angel hosts, his praises sing;  
all dominions, bow before him,  
and extol our God and king;  
let no tongue on earth be silent,  
every voice in concert ring,  
evermore and evermore.

6 Christ, to thee, with God the Father,  
and, O Holy Ghost, to thee,  
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving,  
and unwearied praises be,  
honour, glory, and dominion  
and eternal victory,  
evermore and evermore.

## The Prayer over the Gifts

*Presider* Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of your Church,

*All* and grant that your Son may shine in us as the light that lightens every nation.  
We ask this in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

### *Eucharistic Prayer 3*

Enriching Our Worship

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*All* And also with you.

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*All* We lift them to the Lord.

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

*All* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presider* All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places [...] And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord***

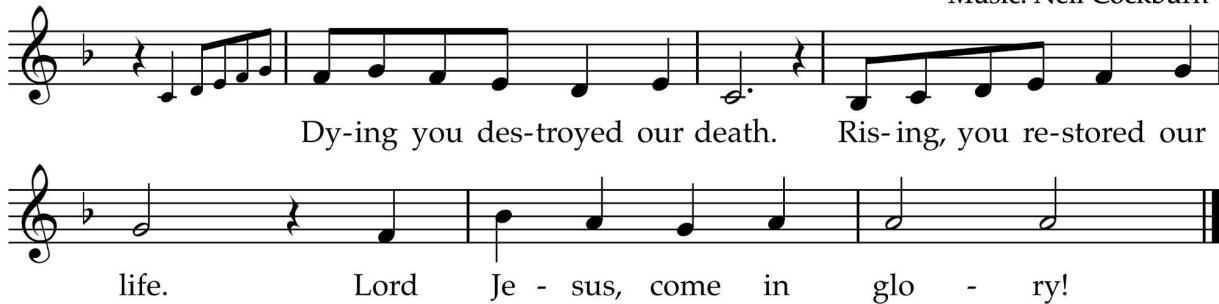
**(CP 732)**

Music: *Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

*Presider* Glory and honour are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent [...] And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Music: Neil Cockburn

*All*



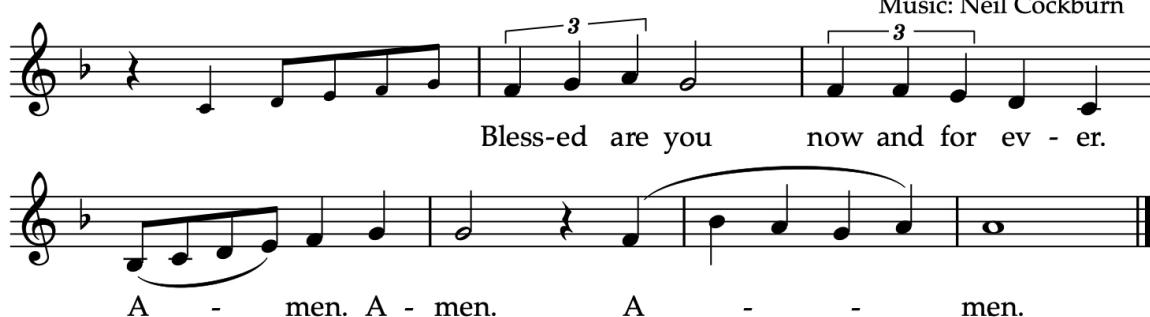
Dy-ing you des-stroyed our death. Ris-ing, you re-store our  
life. Lord Je - sus, come in glo - ry!

*Presider*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ [...] Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Music: Neil Cockburn

*All*



Bless-ed are you now and for ev - er.  
A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men.

*Ringing of the bell. (x3)*

## The Lord's Prayer

Music: Nicholai Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908); arr. Neil Cockburn

*Presider*



As our Sav-iour taught us, let us pray:  
Our Fa- ther in heaven, hal- lowed be your name, your king- dom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us to- day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a- gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## Fraction

*Presider* We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

*All* **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

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

*All* Thanks be to God.

## Fraction Anthem

*Agnus Dei* from *Missa Brevis ("Tongues of Fire")*

Cecilia McDowall

## The Communion

To receive the consecrated Bread, approach the altar and extend your hands to the minister with palms open. To receive the consecrated Wine, carefully guide the chalice to your lips. For public health, please do not dip the Bread into the Wine. If you do not wish to partake of the common cup, know that you receive the full efficacy of communion with only the Bread. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to receive a blessing by approaching the altar and crossing your arms over your chest. You may also remain in your seat as you feel comfortable. If you are interested in learning about baptism, please contact a member of our clergy. During communion, Healing Prayer is offered for all people in the west alcove. Please respect the confidentiality of the people praying by not entering the alcove during prayer time.

## During Communion

*When to the Temple Mary Went*

Johannes Eccard (1553-1611)

When to the temple Mary went, and brought the Holy Child,  
him did the aged Simeon see, as it had been revealed.  
He took up Jesus in his arms and blessing God he said:  
in peace I now depart, my saviour having seen,  
the hope of Israel, the light of men.

Help now thy servants, gracious Lord, that we may ever be  
as once the faithful Simeon was, rejoicing but in thee;  
and when we must from earth departure take,  
may gently fall asleep and with thee wake.

[Song of Simeon, para. Peter von Hagen (1569-1620); adapt. Johannes Eccard (1553-1611); tr. John Troutbeck (1832-1899)]

## The Prayer after Communion

*Presider* Let us pray.

God for whom we wait,  
you fulfilled the hope of Simeon,  
who did not die till he had welcomed the Messiah.

*All* **Complete in us your perfect will,  
that we in Christ may share in your eternal kingdom;  
for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.**

## 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.

[Commissioning for lay ministers who will be taking communion to those not able to participate in the Eucharist at the church:

*Presider*      In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing Holy gifts,  
that those to whom you go may share with us in the body and blood of Christ.

*All*      We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.]

## The Blessing

### Closing Hymn

*Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant*

(CP 500)

Text: Richard Gillard (1953- ).

Music: SERVANT SONG, melody Richard Gillard (1953- ); arr. Betty Carr Pulkingham (1928-2019).

1 Sister, let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

4 I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
till we've seen this journey through.

2 We are pilgrims on a journey,  
fellow travellers on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.

5 When we sing to God in heaven,  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.

3 I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.

6 Brother, let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I might have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

## Dismissal

*Deacon*      Go in peace to bear Christ's light to the world.

*All*      Thanks be to God. Amen.

### Postlude

*Pasticcio* (from *Organ Book, 1957*)

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

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Sundays @ 4 | February 1 | 4:00 p.m.

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