

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

"Bringing Jesus to Jackson"

The Purification of Mary and the Presentation of Our Lord February 2, 2025

Welcome to this Divine Service. We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Please sign the attendance card in pew and place in offering plate.

Communion Policy: In the Lord's Supper, the Risen Christ gives us His true Body & Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we participate in the Lord's Supper we declare doctrinal unity. Therefore we ask guests who are not members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church to speak with Pastor before communing with us.

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Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn "In His Temple Now Behold Him" 519

Confession and Absolution

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Introit Psalm 48:1–3, 8; antiphon: v. 9

- **P** We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,
- **C** in the midst of your temple.
- P Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
- C in the city of our God!
- P His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,
- **C** Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.
- **P** Within her citadels
- **G** God has made himself known as a fortress.
- As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God,
- C which God will establish forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- **P** We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,
- **C** in the midst of your temple.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, as Your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, grant that we may be presented to You with pure and clean hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 1:21-28 ESV

²¹ The man Elkanah and all his house went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice and to pay his vow. ²² But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, "As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, so that he may appear in the presence of the Lord and dwell there forever." 23 Elkanah her husband said to her, "Do what seems best to you; wait until you have weaned him; only, may the LORD establish his word." So the woman remained and nursed her son until she weaned him. ²⁴ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh. And the child was young. ²⁵ Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. ²⁶ And she said, "Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. ²⁷ For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my petition that I made to him. ²⁸ Therefore I have lent him to the LORD. As long as he lives, he is lent to the LORD."

And he worshiped the Lord there.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 48:1, 8a, 9

- **P** Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
- in the city of our God, his holy mountain!
- **P** As we have heard, so have we seen
- **C** in the city of the Lord of hosts.
- **P** We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,
- **C** in the midst of your temple.

¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

St. Luke 2:22–32 ESV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²² And 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 male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said 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, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶ And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. ²⁷ And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸ he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

- ²⁹ "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;
- ³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation
- that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
- ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed 206

Sermon "The Sacrifice of Consolation" **Hebrews 2:14–18**

Prayer of the Church

Gary Flurer, Neil Miller, Karen Temple, Richard Polz, Jim Grantz, Marge Russenberger, Derek Rehnelt (Gen Rehnelt's grandson), Mary Grantz, Doug Wetzler, Bonnie Temple (Ken and Karen Temple's daughter-in-law), Don Kuehl, Matt Nielsen (Karilyn Richard's son), Megan Janzen (Pastor Nathan Janzen's wife), Ron Sinn, Ron Kloos, Travus Mekosch.

Petitions conclude:

P ... Lord, in Your mercy, Final petition:

P Join these, our prayers and praises, with those of Your faithful people of all times and places, and unite them in the ceaseless petitions of our great High Priest, Jesus Christ, until He comes again in glory as victorious Lord of all. Through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, almighty Father, forever and ever.

C Amen.

Offering

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Distribution Hymns

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Postlude

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