



St. John's Church

Sunday, February 2, 2025

Ten O'clock in the Morning

**THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE, COMMONLY
CALLED THE PURIFICATION OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN**

The Order for Holy Communion

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- *A warm welcome to all parishioners, guests, and visitors. Worship at St. John's is according to the 1928 Book of Common Prayer and The Hymnal, 1940. Be sure to ask a neighbor for help if you have any questions about where we are during the service.*
 - *The ✠ symbol indicates a point in the liturgy where making the sign of the cross is appropriate.*
 - ***Please turn all cell phones, pagers, and wireless communication devices off or to "vibrate."***
 - *Children are most welcome at St. John's worship services. For those who desire it, during the school year, Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM, and nursery care is available year-round.*
 - *Information on worship practices, Communion procedure, announcements, prayer requests, the teaching series, a brief history of St. John's, and various aspects of parish life are available in the Parish Chronicle, which is inserted in this bulletin.*
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Hymnal

Prayer Book

The Prelude: *Carillon* - Herbert Murrill

479 The Processional Hymn: *Love divine, all loves excelling* – TUNE: Hyfrydol

The Introit: *Suscépinus*, Psalm 48:8, 9 & 1 – Plainchant

WE have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple; according to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the world's end: thy right hand is full of righteousness. *Ps.* Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. Glory be... We have waited... (*etc.*)

The Collect for Purity (*the People all kneeling*)

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708 The Decalogue; Responses: *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena* – Healey Willan **p. 68–9**

The Summary of the Law

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The Collect of the Day

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For the Epistle: Malachi iii. 1.

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¶ *After the reading of the Epistle, the People shall remain seated, and the Choir shall chant*

The Psalm: 84:1–6. *Quam dilecta!* – ANGLICAN CHANT: C. Hubert H. Parry **p. 445**

¶ *Then shall the People stand, and the Choir continue with*

The Gradual: *Suscépinus*, Psalm 48:8, 9 & 7 – Plainchant

WE have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: according to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the world's end. V. Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of our God: even upon his holy hill.

The Alleluia: *Senex púerum*, St. Augustine – Plainchant

ALLELUIA. Alleluia. V. The old man carried the Child: but the Child governed the old man. Alleluia.

The Gospel: St. Luke ii. 22.

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The Nicene Creed

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176 The Sermon Hymn: *O Gladsome light* – TUNE: Nunc Dimittis

Announcements (*if there be any*)

The Sermon – The Rev. Fr. Steven J. Kelly, SSC, *Rector*

The Offertory: *Diffúsa est grátia*, Psalm 45:2 – Plainchant

FULL of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee forever.

¶ *Outreach: Loose offerings collected on the first Sunday of the month are allocated to support the mission work of Bishop Jackson Biggers and the church in Malawi, Central Africa.*

The Offertory Motet: *Nunc dimittis in E* - Herbert Murrill

*LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, * according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen * thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared * before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, * and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost* as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. - St. Luke ii. 29*

The Presentation of the Alms and Oblations

139 The Doxology

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

141 My country, 'tis of thee (*4th stanza only*)

OUR fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, To thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

The Prayer for the Church

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The Invitation to Confession

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The Confession and Absolution

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The Comfortable Words

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[734] ***The Sursum corda:*** Plainchant p. 76



The Proper Preface for the Purification: Plainchant p. 77–8

797 ***The Sanctus:*** Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena p. 79

797 ✕ ***The Benedictus qui venit:*** Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

The Prayer of Consecration p. 80–1

The Lord’s Prayer p. 82

The Prayer of Humble Access (*said by the Congregation with the Minister*) p. 82

712 ***The Agnus Dei:*** Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena (*to be sung thus: Men only, Trebles only, Full*)

The Invitation: ✕ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takest away the sins of the world.

Response: *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*

The Administration of Holy Communion p. 82–3

115 **The Communion Hymn:** *Hail to the Lord who comes* – TUNE: Old Hundred Twentieth

The Communion: *Respónsum accépit Símeon*, St. Luke 2:26 – Plainchant

IT was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Spirit: that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord’s Anointed.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving (*said by the Congregation with the Minister*) p. 83

713 ***The Gloria in excelsis:*** Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena p. 84

The Blessing (*the People all kneeling*) p. 84

The Dismissal | Response: *Thanks be to God.*

347 **The Recessional Hymn:** *Alleluia! sing to Jesus!* – TUNE: Alleluia

The Postlude: *Cantilène (from Troisième Symphonie, op. 28)* – Louis Vierne

¶ *Tomorrow being the Feast of Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, and Patron of Throat Illnesses, following the Postlude, those who desire may proceed to the chapel and kneel at the altar rail to receive the traditional Blessing of Throats.*



¶ *We welcome you to St. John’s Church. If you are new, please be sure to fill out a visitor card and place it in an offertory plate, and/or sign one of the guest registers in the narthex at the back of the church. We are glad you are here and hope that you will join us for fellowship and refreshments in the undercroft below the nave (general seating area) of the church. If you have questions, please feel free to speak to any parishioner and they will happily provide you with whatever assistance you may require.*

A Daily Prayer for St. John's Church

Bless, O Lord, this parish, and grant that Thy Name may be worshipped here in truth and purity, to all generations. Give Thy grace and wisdom to our Clergy, that they may exercise holy discipline, and be themselves patterns of holiness, simplicity, and self-denial. Bless all who worship here; take from us all pride, vanity and self-conceit, and give to us true humility and self-abasement. Enlighten our minds, subdue our wills, purify our hearts, and so penetrate us with Thy Spirit, and fill us with Thy love that we may go forth animated with earnest zeal for Thy glory; and may Thy living Word so dwell within our hearts that we may speak with that resistless energy of love which shall melt the hearts of sinners to the love of Thee. Open, O Lord, the hearts and hands of Thy people, that we may be ready to give and glad to distribute to our necessities. Bless the founders and benefactors of this parish, and recompense them with the riches of Thine everlasting kingdom, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.



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