



*Becoming a beloved community of God where all belong.*

**The Presentation of our Lord** **February 2, 2025**

**Prelude:** *But Who May Abide from The Messiah* | Georg Frideric Handel, Arr. Jean Pasquet

**Entrance Song:** H-259 | *Hail to the Lord who comes*

**Song after Scripture:** H-277 | *Sing of Mary, pure and lowly*

**Offertory Anthem:** *Nunc Dimittis* | A. Herbert Brewer

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.

**Sanctus:** S-129 | *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

**Song at Communion:** H-324 | *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

**Concluding :** H-7 | *Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

**Postlude:** *From Heaven Above To Earth I Come* | F. W. Zachau, Ed. Jean Pasquet

### **The Collect/ Prayer of the Day**

**Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Readings:** [https://lectionarypage.net/YearABC\\_RCL/HolyDays/Present\\_RCL.html](https://lectionarypage.net/YearABC_RCL/HolyDays/Present_RCL.html)

**Psalm 84 - Prayed responsively by half verse**

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O  
LORD of hosts! \*  
**My soul has a desire and longing  
for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in  
the living God.**

2 The sparrow has found her a house 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.**

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! \*  
**they will always be praising you.**

4 Happy are the people whose strength is in  
you! \*  
**whose hearts are set on the pilgrims'  
way.**

5 Those who go through the desolate valley  
will find it a place of springs, \*  
**for the early rains have covered it  
with pools of water.**

6 They will climb from height to height, \*  
**and the God of gods will reveal  
himself in Zion.**

7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; \*  
**hearken, O God of Jacob.**

8 Behold our defender, O God; \*  
**and look upon the face of your  
Anointed.**

9 For one day in your courts is better than a  
thousand in my own room, \*  
**and to stand at the threshold of the  
house of my God than to dwell in the  
tents of the wicked.**

10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; \*  
**he will give grace and glory;**

11 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!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts, may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Anniversary Prayer

Send your blessing upon these your servants as they begin another year of married life together, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness, patience, wisdom, and grace, that what they have begun together they may end in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Laredo Grill to Support El Hogar** – Join us tomorrow evening, February 3rd at 6:00 PM for dinner at Laredo Grill, 347 Muddy Branch Road. Write “St. Nicholas” on the restaurant receipt and a portion (10%) of your purchase will be donated back to St. Nick’s for our Educational Partnership at El Hogar.

**Tuesdays at 1:30 PM** - Since Covid a group has been meeting on Zoom from 1:30 - 3:00 PM on Tuesdays. The group has studied the history of racism, read many books including Bishop Mariann’s **How We Learn To Be Brave**, and completed the *Being With* program. We would love for you to join this group as we select our next book to read and discuss. If you are interested, please contact Rev. Beth at [rector@saintnicks.com](mailto:rector@saintnicks.com).

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