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Sunday, February 2nd, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

SERVICE OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

In Christ we are a caring community seeking and welcoming others to join us on our faith journey.

WELCOME

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY



Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt. Music: Old 120th, melody from The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1570; harm. Thomas Ravenscroft (1592?-1635?), after Richard Allison (16th cent.); adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

All remain standing. The celebrant greets the community.

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Almighty God,

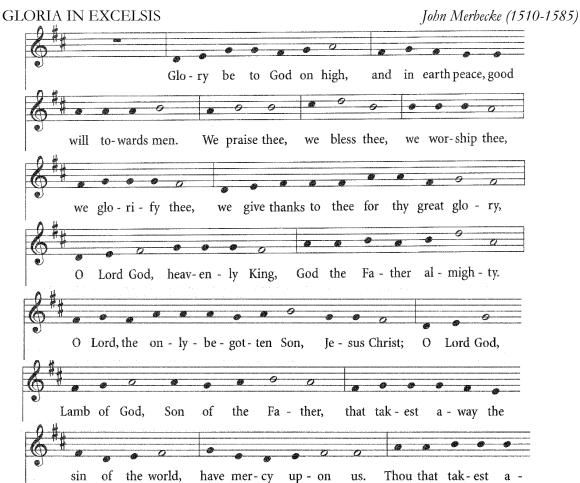
All to you all hearts are open, all desires known,

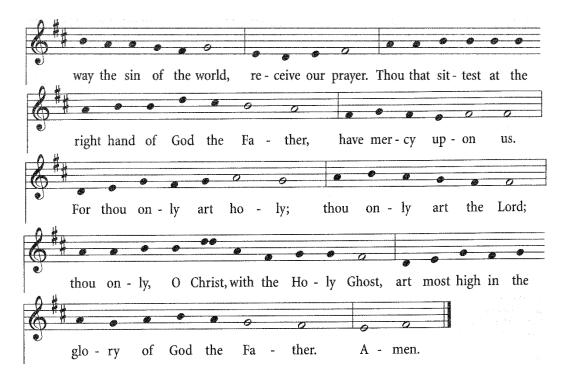
and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy

Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name: through Christ our lord. Amen.





COLLECT OF THE DAY

The celebrant shall say,

Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

All are seated.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Malachi

Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

PSALM 84 Said by all.	
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.
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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!

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

HYMN 5 RATISBON



THE GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been

revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saving, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Priest The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

SERMON

The Rev. Joseph Dirbas

BAS 188

NICENE CREED

All stand

Celebrant 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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.

Leader Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying "Lord hear our prayer."

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. We pray for John our Archbishop and Metropolitan, Anne our acting Primate, and for our own clergy. On our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Paul, Vancouver, All Saints, Ladner, and Archdeacon Andrew Halladay, Lougheed. We pray for the bishop, clergy and people of our companion Diocese of Northern Philippines and our partner parishes, St. Michael the Archangel, Guina-ang, St. Joseph Church, Mainit, and Holy Trinity Mission, Dalican. O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for Charles our King and for all in authority. Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those we remember in our parish this morning: Stephen Laskey, Jos Laskey, Sean Latimer, Frances Fagan, and Marcus Law; for the sick and the suffering, and all those on our parish prayer list; and for those you remember silently or aloud. Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Set free all who are bound by fear and despair.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died; we pray for the faithful departed in our memorial book: Meta Russell, Pearl Leslie, Janet Richards, Lucy Murch, Audrey Cooper, Lilla Pierce, Ann Robertson, Dorothy Long, Willian Standish, George Honey, Peter Conibear, Arthur Taylor, Nina Vaughan, Kathleen Wycherley, Marjorie Davis, Charles Payton Bishop-Priest, Keith Barley and for those you name, silently or aloud. Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy, especially remembering the everblessed Virgin Mary. Grant that we may also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The leader continues

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us so that we may be reflections of your Light in the world and that all nations would be drawn to you and be overwhelmed with joy. This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand or kneel, as able.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant 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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE BAS 192

All stand. The celebrant addresses the people.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

OFFERTORY

HYMN 486 LOVE DIVINE



- 5 Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee,
- 6 changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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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.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

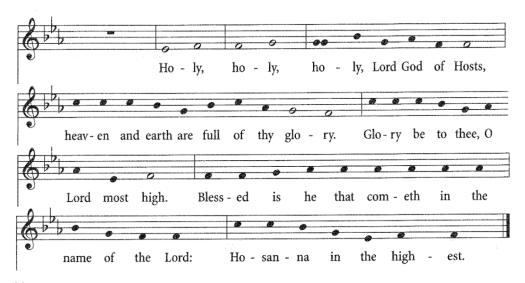
All remain standing. The celebrant says.

Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of your Church, 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 celebrant adds a proper preface.

SANCTUS Merbecke



The celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

The celebrant continues

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory

are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

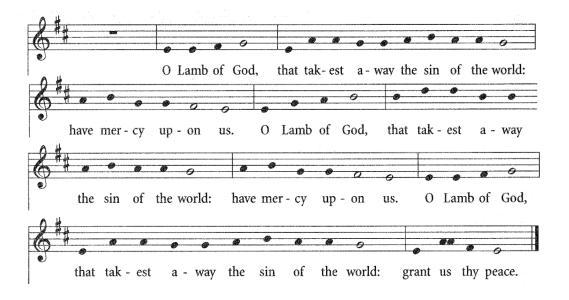
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BAS 213

Celebrant 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.

AGNUS DEI Merbecke



The celebrant invites the people to share in communion.

The gifts of God for the People of God

People Thanks be to God.

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please receive the bread by holding out your hands. To receive the wine, please gently guide the chalice to your lips, or simply touch the base of the chalice if you prefer not to drink from it. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is not permitted in our diocese. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sides person to have Communion brought to you.



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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand or kneel, as able.

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

Celebrant Glory to God,

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS All are seated.

HYMN 341 HEATHLANDS



BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, all respond.

All Thanks be to God.

All remain standing for the retiring procession.

POSTLUDE

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

For health, wellness, support, and comfort:

Stephanie, Jordan, Alison, Rebecca, Gillian, Eileen, Darren, Ralph, Pat, Alisa, Jacob, Shelia, Denise, John, Bill, Peter, Tricia, Beth, Lindsay, Sandie, Gene, Anthony, George, Alexandra, Steven, Allison, Graham, Susan, Colin, Nora, Catherine, Peter, Craig, Margaret, Jennifer Sherri, Dorothy

Celebrant / Preacher The Rev. Joseph Dirbas

Server Linda Ingham Music Director Maria Golas Organist Ulo Valdma

Greeters Joshila Maria John Joseph & Karyn Eisler

Welcome Fran Fagan
First Reader Joan Dietrich
Second Reader Erin Hallenburg
Prayers of the People Julianne Hayes

Livestream Guild Richard Hampson-Thorpe

Coffee Set-up Karen Archer & Barbara Dickenson Coffee Clean-up Kathy Van Allen & Elizabeth Gaines

Altar Guild Lesley McKnight

Flowers at the altar this week are given to the Glory of God by Audrey Mistiades in loving memory of Mum, Dad, and Joe

and

Susanna Hampson-Thorpe in loving memory of Ivy and Ribert Hampson.

Please join us for coffee and tea in Griffiths Hall. If you are joining us for the first, time, please ask for direction

Prayer Shawl Knitters

The prayer shawl knitters will meet on **Monday, February 3 at 10:00 a.m.** All our welcome to join us for this time of fellowship and service.

Food Bank Sunday

Our next food bank Sunday is **February 9.** All are invited to bring non-perishable, shelf-stable food items to donate to the South Surrey Food Bank. We'll collect your donations and bless them at the altar and make sure they get delivered to the food bank. Thank you for your generosity.

Evensong

Our next evensong will be on **February 9 at 5:00 p.m**. Mark your calendars and join us for this beautiful service of song and prayer. This service is a wonderful way to introduce your friends and neighbours to the Anglican tradition.

Chair Yoga

Cindy Thornton-Veltri will once again be offering Chair Yoga at the Church of the Holy Trinity. Our next session will be on Monday, **February 10, at 9:30 a.m**. Please visit holytrinitywhiterock.ca/chair-yoga for more information. This class is free and donations for the local foodbank will be gladly accepted.

Choir Rehearsal

The choir rehearses on **Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.** in the church. If you're curious about singing in the choir or would like to try it out, please let Maria Golas know. The choir welcomes your participation.

CONCERT: Crimson Crescendo Trio

White Rock's own Crimson Crescendo Trio will be preforming a valentine concert at the Church of the Holy Trinity on **Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7:00 p.m.** Tickets are available online at CrimsonCrescendo.com. Tell your friends about this amazing opportunity!

Seniors' Lunch

Thank you to all who made our Seniors' Lunch a wonderful success! We're grateful for all your participation and support. The next lunch is scheduled for **February 20 at noon**. You can register by calling the parish office or online at holytrinitywhiterock.ca/seniors-lunch.

Women's Fellowship Group meets every Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the library.

Bible Study - Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

All are welcome to join us for Bible study. We are finishing up Paul's second letter to the Corinthians and preparing to dive into his letter to the Romans. There are no prerequisites to join this study.

Weekday Worship All are welcome to join us for our weekday worship services:

Morning Prayer – Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist – Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship with us today. We are a joyful, inclusive service-oriented community. Our church building is a sacred space and a house of prayer for all. Our parish is composed of people from infants to grandparents, from cradle Anglicans to seekers, and we pride ourselves in being a place where a diverse range of opinions are held and respected. While we are a varied group, we strive to be unified as the Body of Christ.

We centre ourselves around our baptismal vow to, "strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being." Our community also extends far beyond our pews as we seek to feed, clothe, and support people who are in need.

We pray you will feel at home here, no matter your reason for joining us. We welcome you with open arms regardless of your race, age, culture, ethnicity, nationality, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, marital status, previous religious affiliation, or socioeconomic status. All are welcome at The Church of the Holy Trinity, and we hope to see you back here soon! Please feel free to contact us.

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