



Today's Hymns



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| 254 | For the fruits of His creation | <i>omit verse 3</i> |
| 253 | For the beauty of the earth | <i>omit verse 5</i> |
| 260 | Morning has broken No recording | <i>omit verse 3</i> |
| 267 | Thou whose almighty word | <i>omit verse 4</i> |

Pew Notices

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Meditation: as usual at 5.30pm after the hymn choosing.

Valentine's Sunday: Next Sunday - 11th February - A celebration of God's love for us, and ours for Him and each other. Please pass on an invitation to any you know who were married at St Peter's. [See article in Grange Now!]

Mothering Sunday: 11th March - A service with distribution of flower posies and thanksgiving for all our mothers and 'mother' parishes.

Parish Walk: [Advanced notice.] On Saturday 24th March the Parish Bounds will be beaten once again. Details to follow.

Remembering: Next Sunday we will be remembering Thomas Jackson and, and then on 11th March, Henry Keenan.

Candlemas: The Presentation of Jesus at the Temple is an early episode in the life of Jesus that is celebrated by the Church on the holiday of Candlemas. In the Eastern Orthodox Church, the presentation of Jesus at the temple is celebrated as is one of the twelve Great Feasts. In Western Christianity, the traditional name for the day is Candlemas, which is also known as the Feast of the Purification of the Virgin. In some liturgical churches, Vespers (or Compline) on this day marks the end of the Epiphany season. In the Church of England, the Presentation of Christ is a Principal Feast celebrated either on 2 February or on the Sunday between 28th Jan and 3rd Feb. In the Catholic Church, the Presentation is the fourth Joyful Mystery of the Rosary.

Our Next Service

*Sunday 4th February – Sunday before Lent – Valentine's Sunday
Common Worship – Holy Communion*

After the service, please join us at the back of the church for tea or coffee. Please take a copy of this pew sheet to read at home, or for anyone who might like to receive one. If you know anyone who would like to receive home communion, please let one of the churchwardens know.



An Anglican presence on the Cartmel Peninsula

St Peter's Field Broughton

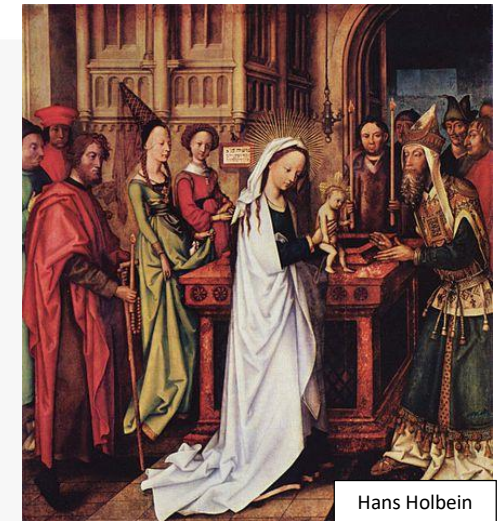
Sunday 4th February 2018
Candlemas – White
BCP – Holy Communion
Canon Derek Jackson

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son
was this day presented
in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be
presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

Post Communion

O Lord,
who didst fulfil
the hope of Simeon and Anna
that they might live to greet
the coming of the Messiah:
grant that we, who have received
these inexpressible gifts,
may be prepared to meet
Christ Jesus when he shall come
to bring us to eternal life;
for he liveth and reigneth,
now and for ever. *Amen*



Hans Holbein



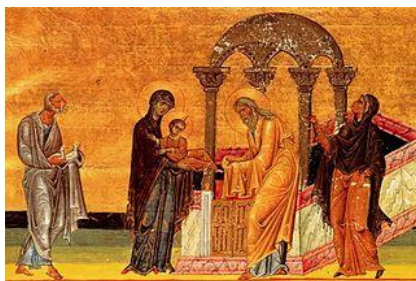
The Sherbrooke Missal

Malachi 3:1 - 5

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.

Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.



The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (c1500)
Hans Holbein the Elder (1465–1524)

Presentation of Christ in the Temple, from the Sherbrooke Missal (National Library of Wales c1320)
This beautiful Missal made from parchment originates from East Anglia.

[Left] Painting from the Menologion of Basil II (c. 1000 AD) 11th century illuminated byzantine manuscript with 430 miniatures, now in Vatican.

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.

Luke 2: 22 - 40

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 turtle-doves 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, saying,

'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 for 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.