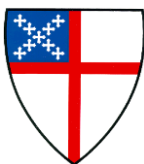


The Presentation of Our Lord
Feb. 2, 2025
The Holy Eucharist Rite II



St. John's Episcopal Church
Crawfordsville, IN



Prelude

Prelude on Foundation

Owens

Welcome

The Rev. Jason Fortner

The Word of God

Please stand as you are able at the bell.

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 25

O Gracious Light

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

The Presider may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**



The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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.**

The Lessons

Please be seated for the reading of scripture.

First Reading

Reader A reading from the prophet Malachi.

Malachi 3:1-4

Thus says the Lord, 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 24:7-10

Please read responsively by half verse.

Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

“Who is this King of glory?” *

**“The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle.”**

Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

“Who is he, this King of glory?” *

**“The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.”**

Second Reading

Reader A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since God's children share flesh and blood, Jesus 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.**

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 656

Blest are the pure in heart

Please stand as you are able.

The Gospel

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Luke 2:22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus 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, 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 seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped 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 favor of God was upon him.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Jason Fortner

A brief silence may follow.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

**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 and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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 sin.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

And the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For Sean our presiding bishop, Jennifer our bishop, Jason our priest, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For Crawfordsville, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially, Brittany Weathers, Shelbi Fortner, Larry Bennett, Stella Kurtz, Elaine and Randy Pickering, Jack Weyrauch, Brittany Green, Willa Steiner, Jim Steiner, Catherine, Les, Lauren, Frank, Don, Ann, Cynthia, Mark, Shane, Elaine, Randy, Kelly, Rahimi Family, and those devastated by the California wildfires, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the members of the Reunification Discernment committee, for the work they continue to do, and for the ongoing mission of The Episcopal Church in Indiana, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Blessed Mary, Blessed John, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel or stand as they are able.

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 neighbors 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.**

Presider pronounces God's absolution of sin saying

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings
and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8

The Holy Eucharist

Our altar is the Table of our loving God, a table set to nourish all of creation through the love of Jesus Christ. You, who are a beloved part of that creation, are most welcome, indeed invited to partake! It is our tradition for all of us to circle the altar to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to receive the Body of Christ in the bread, please place one hand on top of the other, palms up. If you wish to receive the Blood of Christ from the chalice, please take a sip when it is offered. If you would prefer a blessing rather than Communion or would like to abstain from the bread or the wine, please cross your hands over your chest.

Offertory Anthem

Dark the Night

Jones

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 380 verse 3

Old 100th

Please stand as you are able.

**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.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

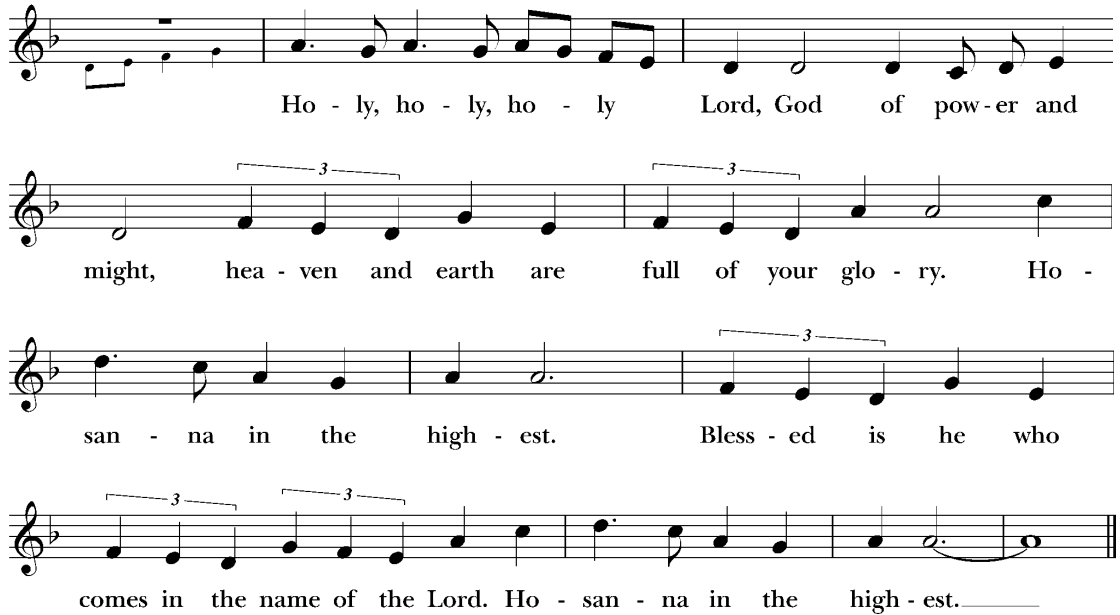
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Presider and People sing

Sanctus   

Powell



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary, Blessed John, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**



Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

**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.**

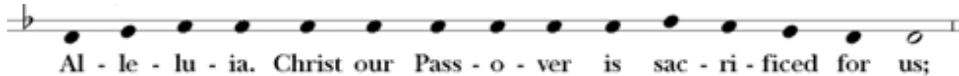
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

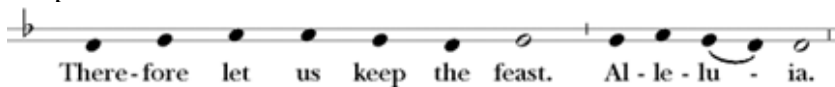
The Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Presider:



People:



Communion Hymn

Hymnal 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

The People stand or kneel as they are able.

Presider and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Presider blesses the people with these or similar words.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you,
and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 657

Love divine, all loves excelling

The Dismissal

The Presider dismisses the People.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Postlude on Dix

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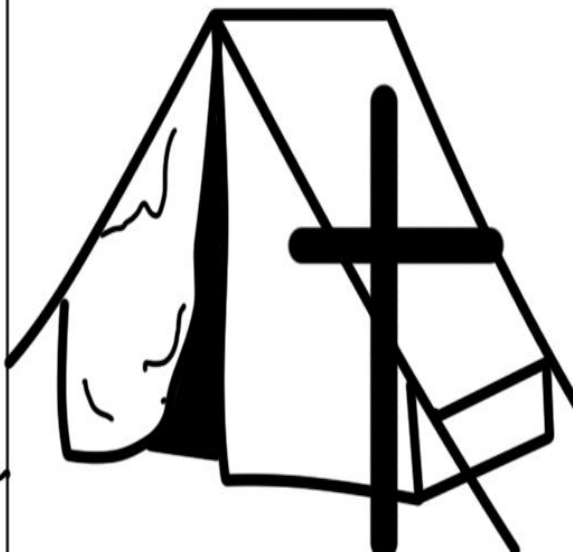
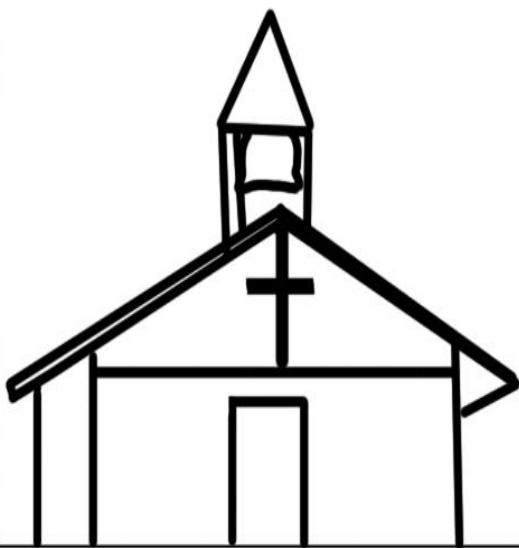
Serving Today

President: The Rev. Jason Fortner

Music: Jerilyn Yerkes

	Feb. 2, 2025		Feb. 9, 2025	
	8:00am	10:30am	8:00am	10:30am
Lector	Kim Green	Jill Lamberton	Mark Kusssmaul	Susan Albrecht
LEM	Kim Green	Katharine & Aaron Morrison	Meribeth Kusssmaul	Jessica Roosa & Peggy Lohorn
Crucifer	Frank Sorrentino	Jeremy Hartnett	Teresa Titus	Steve Charles
Greeters		Joyce Bell & Nancy Bennett		Jane Cooley/Katharine Morrison
Childcare		Kitty Haffner & Joyce Bell		Katharine Morrison & Leigh Earle
Altar Guild		Jerilyn Yerkes & Terry Lawrence		Cyndy Field & Teresa Titus
Counters		Frank Sorrentino & Ellen Ball		Cindy Smith & Nancy Bennett
Coffee		Frank Sorrentino		Frank Sorrentino
Clean Up		Meegan Reidy		Teresa Titus

Altar Flowers: The flowers today are given by Ed and Sue Fain, to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for our granddaughter Hannah who turns 4 years old on February 23.



St. John's Episcopal Church, Crawfordsville, Indiana

Mission: St. John's Episcopal Church is called by the love of Christ to welcome and witness to our community.

Vision: As a place of welcome and care for all, we want our community to know that:

- We listen to the needs and concerns of our neighbors and each other.
- We foster connections with varied and diverse groups in our community.
- We care for those who are vulnerable and marginalized.
- We serve others by challenging unjust systems.

We nurture rich spiritual practices for people of all ages, develop leadership within our church through education, communal prayer, and worship, and act on this knowledge and love by serving together.

As stewards of creation, we embrace and encourage sustainable practices in our community and ensure that our property supports our vision.

We are faithful stewards of all the gifts that God has given to us in order to sustain the ministries to which God has called us.

ST. JOHN'S UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Crawfordsville IYG Reopening Celebration February 6 from 4pm-7pm**
There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at 4pm with the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce followed by an open house style celebration. Stop by the undercroft to learn more about IYG, check out the new space, and find out how you can get involved. Light refreshments and drinks will be provided.
- **Episcopal Relief & Development** continues to raise funds for those affected by the California wildfires. See the information included.
- Come join us for **Bible Study** every Tuesday morning at 9am in Whitlock Hall and Tuesday evening at 5:30pm at Wellbrooke located at 517 Concord Road in Crawfordsville. Contact Dan Booher with questions.
- Feb 16th: Omelet Sunday sponsored by Jerry & Cindy Smith. Donations will be given to the Family Crisis Shelter.

St. John's Vestry

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Please Support Southern California Wildfire Response

High winds and drought conditions combined to accelerate the growth of wildfires that have devastated communities in California. Places of worship, businesses and homes have been heavily damaged. Mass evacuations and widespread power outages have affected hundreds of thousands of people. Episcopal Relief & Development is offering technical support to partners in California who are being affected by the devastating and fast-growing California wildfires.

Supporting the Wildfire Response Fund will help people affected by the impact of wildfires. To make a donation, please scan the QR code or fill out the coupon below and mail it in with your check or credit card information.

Episcopal Relief & Development partners with faith and community organizations to advance lasting change in communities affected by injustice, poverty, disaster and climate change. Inspired by our faith, we focus on four interconnected priorities: nurturing the potential of caregivers and young children, reducing violence against women and girls, strengthening communities' resilience to climate change and facilitating humanitarian response to disasters



Thank you for your compassion and prayers. With your partnership, we are Working Together for Lasting Change.



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