

Saturday, February 1, 2025

THE PRESENTATION OF JESUS AT THE TEMPLE

Evening Prayer

OPENING HYMN: **384** PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT
GERONTIUS
VERSES 1, 2, 3, AND 7

OPENING SENTENCE:

Lord, I have loved your house and the place where your honour dwells.

PSALM **84** *Quam dilecta!*

**My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the
Lord; *
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

- 1 How lovely are your dwellings, *
O Lord God of hosts!
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; *
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 3 Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow a nest here
she may lay her young, *
even your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 Blessed are they who dwell in your house; *
they will be always praising you.

**My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the
Lord; *
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

- 5 Blessed is the one whose strength is in you, *
in whose heart are your ways,
- 6 Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a well; *
indeed, the early rains fill the pools with water.
- 7 They will go from strength to strength, *
and the God of gods shall be seen by them in Zion.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

**My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the
Lord; *
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

- 9 Behold, O God, our defender, *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.
- 10 For one day in your courts *
is better than a thousand;
- 11 I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God *
than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defense; *
the Lord will give grace and honor, and no good thing shall he
withhold from those who live a godly life.
- 13 O Lord God of hosts, *
blessed is the one who puts his trust in you.

**My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the
Lord; ***

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

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.

FIRST LESSON: Hebrews 2:14–18

SECOND LESSON: Luke 2:22–40

SERMON: Fuji Mooney

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten
Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Nancy Nelson

HYMN: HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

TIM HUGHES

1. Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

[Refrain]

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that
You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

2. King of all days

Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor *[Refrain]*

I'll never know
How much it cost
To see my sin
Upon that cross *[Refrain]*

ANTHEM: JESUS, THE VERY THOUGHT OF THEE
ST. AGNES

FINAL HYMN: **378** GOD OF MERCY, GOD OF GRACE
HEATHLANDS
ALL VERSES

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