



the Church
of St Peter and
St Simon-the-Apostle



The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Welcome to the Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God by Moveta and Fen Nanton in thanksgiving for the celebration of Black History Month.

† HOLY EUCHARIST at 9.00 am. †

Celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

Collect: BCP pp. 266.

Celebrant & Preacher The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

† CHORAL EUCHARIST at 10.30 am. †

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Assisting Grace Rockett

Servers Betty Scantlebury, Paul Mitchell, Gary Toneguzzo

Celine Wong, Vincent Wong

Communion Ministers Gary Toneguzzo, Laurie Sanderson

Musicians Mervin Fick (Music Director) and the Parish Choir

Amos Wong - Violin

Music of the Mass *Missa Brevis for 3 Voices* – Stephanie Martin 
(Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei)

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The Gathering of the Community

Prelude Matins

HEALEY WILLAN 

Spiritual Steel Away to Jesus

TRAD. SPIRITUAL

Hymn O Worship the King

HANNOVER

Greeting

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

All unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Summary of the Law

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Sung by All **Lord have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Choir Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Gloria *Sung by all*

MERBECKE – HYMN BOOK 679

Celebrant Glory be to God on high,
All and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading *Malachi 3:1–4*

Read by Barbara Pearson

Reader A reading from the Prophet Malachi.

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.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24.7–10 *Domini est terra.*

TONE VII.5.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; /
and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory? /

it is the LORD strong and mighty, even the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; /
and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory? / **even the LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.**

Epistle Hebrews 2.14–18

Read by Michelle Veronesi

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

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.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual CP 498 *How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place*

BROTHER JAMES' AIR

The Holy Gospel *Luke 2:22–40*

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

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

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily

Choir *Blessed are the Pure in Heart*

R.S. EATON 

Nicene Creed *Please stand.*

Celebrant I believe in one God,

All the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People *Please kneel, sit or stand as comfortable.* Led by Mark Garbutt

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invites the congregation to join in the General Confession.

Silence is kept. Please kneel or be seated.

Celebrant Almighty God,

All Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The absolution is pronounced.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Let your light so shine before others, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *St Matthew 5.16.*

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 385 *Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness*

ÜTTINGEN

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of thy Church, and grant that thy 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 Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

MERBECKE - *Common Praise* #682

All **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant, It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory, in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Choir Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. *All kneel or be seated.*

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,

in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded: And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; and we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa-ther who art in heaven, Hall-owed be thy name, Thy king-dom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
And for-give us our tres-pa-ses, As we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.
And lead us not in - to temp-ta-tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For. Thine is the king-dom, the pow'r and the glo-ry, for e-ver and e-ver, A-men.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in common time, treble and bass clefs, with a key signature of one flat. The music is composed of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are centered under each staff, corresponding to the musical phrases.

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.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

All Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Choir O Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, who takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

Holy Communion

- Holy Communion will be administered at both the High Altar and at the St Peter's Altar (standing). If you are communicating at the High Altar, please return to your pew through the side Sacristy door.
- Communion is administered in both kinds, bread and wine. Please do not intinct (dip the wafer in the wine). The fullness of the sacrament is present in the bread only.
If you are not receiving the chalice, you may touch the base while the words of administration are spoken.
- If you would like only a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this to the priest.

During Communion

Hymn 63 Eat This Bread

J. BERTHIER

Motet Laudate Dominum

MOZART

*O praise the Lord, all ye nations: laud him, all ye peoples.
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us:
and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord. Psalm 117.*

Prayer after Communion & Doxology

Celebrant God for whom we wait, who fulfilled the hope of Simeon who did not see death until he welcomed the Messiah. Complete in us thy perfect will, that we in Christ may share in thine eternal kingdom; for he is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Glory to God,

All 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.

Blessing

Dismissal

Leader Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves. Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude Dialogue

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Anglican Communion: The Church of England.

Diocese Cycle of Prayer: Bishop's Committee on Interfaith Ministry.

Outreach and Advocacy Cycle of Prayer: *Pray for* Grace Church, Markham, its monthly outreach lunch, refugee sponsorship, community garden, education and advocacy on Indigenous and Right Relations issues, Parish Nurse programme, meals on wheels and support for MICAH – Markham Inter-Church Affordable Housing;

for Grace Church, Scarborough, its monthly community lunch and cooking club, and its support of the Good Food Box; *and for* the Parish of Haliburton, and its support of the Haliburton Youth Hub.

Parish Cycle: Barbara and Ross Pearson, Carol Peck, Penny & John Pepperell.

Home Bound Parishioners: Marie Adams, Alice Fox, Dennis Gittens, Lorraine Griffith, Sabrina Hogan, Marian McPherson, Denise Orieux, Everton Morris, Lucy Simons, Rex Southgate, Vernita Theobolds, Duncan Towe, Lila Vamosi, Vashti White.

**All are invited to join us for coffee hour which is in the Parish Hall
after the service.**

Hymn Notes: *Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness* (CP # 385)

John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-75) was born in Derry and educated at Trinity College, Dublin. He was ordained in 1834 and served as chaplain to the Bishop of Connor. He then moved to England and served at Egham in Surrey (1853-70) and then as rector of St. Nicholas, Guildford. He was killed when he fell off the church roof during repairs. Monsell believed that hymns should be fervent and joyous. He wrote about 300 hymns and published 11 books of poetry. This hymn, published in 1863, emphasizes the

gifts we are to lay before God. It is thought of as an Epiphany hymn but is used throughout the church year. The first line is from Psalm 29:2.

ÜTTINGEN was first published in Reinhardt's Choral Buch (Uttingen, 1759) to accompany the German hymn "Was lebet." The tune was first used to accompany Monsell's poem in The English Hymnal (1906).

Submitted by Diane Way



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SERVICES

Sunday	9.00 am	Weekly Holy Eucharist (BCP) - In the Chapel of Holy Spirit
	10.30 am	1 st and 3 rd Sundays: Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite
		2 nd Sunday: Choral Matins (unless announced)
		4 th Sunday: Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
		5 th Sunday & Evensong: - As Announced
Wednesday	11.00 am	Weekly Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite

We acknowledge that in gathering to worship Almighty God, we are in the traditional territory of many First Nations peoples including the Mississaugas of the New Credit, the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunes, and the Huron-Wendat.

"The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is, the world and all who dwell therein."

Psalm 24.1