

St. David's Episcopal Church
1519 Elmwood Rd
Lansing, MI 48917

Presentation of Our Lord

February 2, 2020

St. David's will be a Christian Community where people may come and experience our love of God, our faith in Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit working in and through us.

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Prelude
Processional Hymn #436

"Truro"

+The Word of God+

Salutation
Collect for Purity
Gloria S-278 (Front of blue hymnal)

BCP p. 355
—Mathias

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.

Old Testament Lesson
Psalm 84
The Epistle
Gradual Hymn #259
The Holy Gospel
Sermon
The Nicene Creed

Malachi 3:1-4
BCP P. 707
Hebrews 2:14-18
"Old 120th"
Luke 2:22-40
The Rev. Dr. Carol Spangenberg
BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form I
Confession
The Peace
Offertory
Presentation of Tithes & Offerings
Presentation Hymn #324

BCP p. 383
BCP p. 360
BCP p. 360

"Picardy"

+The Holy Communion+

The Great Thanksgiving
Sanctus: S-128 (Front of blue hymnal)
Eucharistic Prayer A
The Lord's Prayer (traditional)

BCP p. 361
—Mathias
BCP p. 361
BCP p. 364

+The Communion of the Faithful+

All Baptized people who believe in the Sacramental presence of Christ in the Eucharist are welcome to come forward to receive.

Communion Hymn: S-164
Post-Communion Prayer
Blessing
Announcements, Birthdays and Anniversary Blessings
Recessional Hymn #278
Dismissal
Postlude

—Schubert
BCP p. 365

"Rustington"

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Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Personal Prayers for healing are available immediately following the services today. Simply go to the north (left) end of the communion rail where the Prayer Ministers will spend time praying for your special needs and concerns.

THIS WEEK AT ST. DAVID'S

Sunday, February 2

- 8:00 AM: Holy Eucharist
- 9:15 AM: "Between the Services" Bible Discussion, Room 2/5
- 10:20 AM: Sunday School
- 10:30 AM: Holy Eucharist

Monday, February 3

- 7:00 PM: Promise Keepers, Library
- 7:30 PM: Divorced, Widowed, Separated Support Group, Room 9

Tuesday, February 4

- 9:30 AM: Holy Eucharist
- 10:00 AM: Bible Study, Room 2/5
- 12:00 PM: Bible Study Lunch Bunch, Dimitri's Restaurant

Wednesday, February 5

- 10:15 AM: Holy Eucharist, Delta Retirement Center
- 6:30 PM: Holy Eucharist, St. Non Chapel

Thursday, February 6

- 6:00 PM: Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM: Community Band Rehearsal, Great Hall

Friday, February 7

- 9:00 AM: Holy Eucharist, St. Non Chapel

Sunday, February 9

- 8:00 AM: Holy Eucharist
- 9:15 AM: "Between the Services" Bible Discussion, Room 2/5
- 10:20 AM: Sunday School
- 10:30 AM: Holy Eucharist

TODAY'S ASSISTING MINISTERS

8:00 AM

Greeters: Lar Carey
Lay Reader: Patrick Lynaugh
Prayer Minister: Jerry Williams

10:30 AM

Acolytes: Nolan Chamberlain, Kiley Chamberlain, Harper LeRoy
Altar Guild: Team 1
Coffee Hour: The Mitchell Family
Counters: Bill Paff, Steve Leiby
Greeters: Jason and Katie Gentry
Ushers: Bob Mitchell, Dave Spangenberg
Lay Readers: Dave Byers, Carey Draeger
Prayer Ministers: Kerry Chapin, Lorayne Otto

Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Bob Nostrant in memory of Shirley.

We ask that you keep in your prayers this week the following individuals and families: Bill Paff, JoAnn Bell, Jeff and Shelly Albert, Jay and Gloria Bastian, Steve and Toni Bolin.



On this day in 1887, Groundhog Day, featuring a rodent meteorologist, is celebrated for the first time at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. According to tradition, if a groundhog comes out of its hole on this day and sees its shadow, it gets scared and runs back into its burrow, predicting six more weeks of winter; no shadow means an early spring.

SENIOR WORLD LUNCHEON PROGRAM

The next St. David's Senior World Program will be held on Thursday, February 13. All are invited to attend—young and old, men and women. Join us in the Great Hall. The program begins with lunch at 11:15 AM, followed by a short program, a few songs, and closing prayers. Hope to see you there!



PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING: 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.

Psalm 24:7-10

⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O ever- | lasting doors; *
and the King of glory | shall come in.

⁸ **“Who is this | King of glory?” ***
“The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, might- | y in battle.”

⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O ever- | lasting doors; *
and the King of glory | shall come in.

¹⁰ **“Who is he, this | King of glory?” ***
“The LORD of hosts,
he is the | King of glory.”

THE EPISTLE: 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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: 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.

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“What a wonderful thought it is that some of the best days
of our lives haven’t even happened yet.”

—Anne Frank