

# Candlemas Procession & Eucharist

Hymn **83**

*See, amid the winter's snow*



Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus  
Christ according to Luke

## **Glory to you, O Lord**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus 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.'

Act of Penitence

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
light of the nations and glory of Israel:  
make your home among us,  
and present us pure and holy  
to your heavenly Father,  
your God, and our God. Amen.**

## Hymn 264, verse 1

WALK IN THE LIGHT

*The Spirit lives to set us free*

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.

## Hymn 264, verse 6

WALK IN THE LIGHT

*The Spirit lives in you and me*

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

**LORD, now lettest thou thy servant  
Depart in peace  
According to thy word  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation  
Which thou hast prepared  
Before the face of all people  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles  
And to be the glory of thy people Israel**

## Hymn 264, verse 2

WALK IN THE LIGHT

*Jesus promised life to all*

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.'

## Intercessions

Hymn **264, verses 3, 4 & 5**

WALK IN THE LIGHT

*He died in pain on Calvary*

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.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord* **Praise to you, O Christ**

Hymn **264, verse 6**

*The Spirit lives in you and me*

## The Peace

Offertory Hymn **767**

*Take my life*

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## Eucharistic Prayer & Communion

The Lord be with you

**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;

**in your love you made us for yourself.**

When we turned away you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life,  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends, he took bread, and  
gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,

he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for  
you for the forgiveness of sins;

do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy  
Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your  
dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise, and lift our voice to join the eternal  
song of heaven:

***All sing:* Sanctus, sanctus**

*INFANT HOLY*

**Sanctus Deus**

**Dominus Sabaoth**

**Benedictus, benedictus**

**Christ who comes among us**

**Earth and heaven tell your glory**

**And our hearts echo the story**

**In excelsis hosa-nna**

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**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,**

**the power and the glory,**

**for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

*All sing:*      **Agnus Dei, behold him**      *INFANT HOLY*  
**Son of Man and Lamb of God**  
**Agnus Dei, behold him**  
**Son of Man and Lamb of God**  
**Lord have mercy on your Church and**  
**Lord have mercy on all creatures**  
**You alone are our *shalom***  
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God's holy gifts for God's holy people.  
**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,**  
**to the glory of God the Father.**



*After Communion*

Hymn **113** When candles are lighted      *LOURDES*

Hymn **396** Faithful vigil ended      *PASTOR PASTORUM*

Father, here we bring to an end our celebration of the Saviour's birth.

**Help us, in whom he has been born,  
to live his life that has no end.**

Here we have offered the Church's sacrifice of praise.

**Help us, who have received the bread of life,  
to be thankful for your gift.**

Here we have rejoiced with faithful Simeon and Anna.

**Help us, who have found the Lord in his temple,  
to trust in your eternal promises.**

Here we have greeted the Light of the world.

**Help us, who now extinguish these candles,  
never to forsake the light of Christ.**

*All now extinguish their candles.*

Here we now stand near the place of baptism.

**Help us, who are marked with the cross,  
to share the Lord's death and resurrection.**

Here we turn from Christ's birth to his passion.

**Help us, for whom Lent is near,  
to enter deeply into the Easter mystery.**

Here we bless one another in your name.

**Help us, who now go in peace,  
to shine with your light in the world.**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**