

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

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**The Purification of Mary and
The Presentation of Our Lord**

February 1 & 2, 2025

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Welcome

Traditionally, the church on this day remembers the presentation of Jesus by his parents in the temple. We too present ourselves to God: our praise, petitions, sorrows and joys. Welcome.

Prayer Before Worship

Lord, thank You for making Yourself known through Your Word and blessing us with Your presence in worship today. Strengthen our faith, hope, and love; in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Altar Flowers

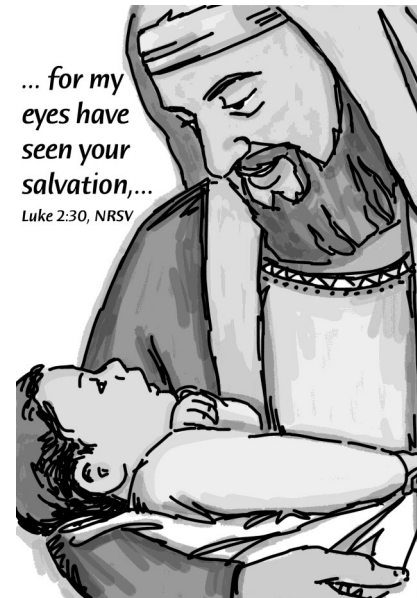
The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Nancy Koskie in memory of her parents, Harriet and Robert Philippi, and brother Robert Philippi.

Eternal Light

The Eternal Light is lit in memory of Simeon.

Theme: "Seeing Jesus"

Although this day is about the purification of Mary according to the law and the presentation of Jesus as the firstborn of her womb, these are saving acts done on behalf of all of us. This is what Simeon acknowledges when he sings the Nunc Dimittis. Here is the promise of God kept in Christ for his salvation and for the redemption of the Gentiles. Here we see the face of God, the display of His mercy, and the glory long promised. We sing with Simeon in praise of our Savior, while acknowledging that in the Holy Sacrament we see our salvation every bit as much as Simeon saw it in the baby in his arms.



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Our Worship to The Lord

Saturday Service – 4:00 PM

Liturgy: Page 260, Service of Prayer and Preaching

Hymns: #519 In His Temple Now Behold Him

#937 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

Sunday Service - 10:30 AM

Liturgy: Page 203, Holy Communion

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