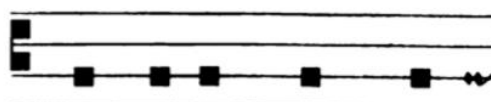


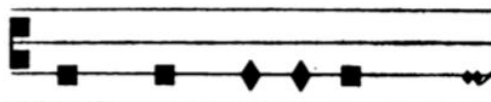


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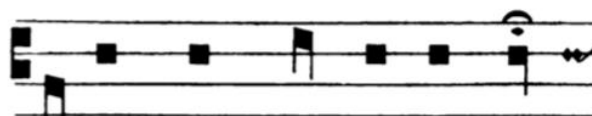


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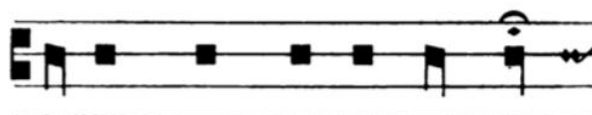
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PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

1st February 2026
6pm

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CHORAL EVENSONG

The Choir sing the INTROIT 'O God Who By the Leading of a Star' by Thomas Attwood.

Please stand when the bells are rung. A hymn is sung as the ministers and choir enter.

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
2. Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave:
thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
3. Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be,
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

*Charles Wesley 1707-99
TIS 217(i)*

The PRECES according to the Durham Use are sung

V. O Lord, open thou our lips. *Here it is customary to trace a cross on the lips.*

R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

V. O ☩ God, make speed to save us. *Here it is customary to make the Sign of the Cross*

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Here it is customary to make a low bow from the waist until the words '...Holy Ghost'

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord's name be praised.

The Officiant welcomes the congregation.

Please sit as the Choir sing the PSALM.

[Psalm 48]

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised :

in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth :

upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known in
her palaces as a sure refuge.

For lo, the kings of the earth :

are gathered, and gone by together.

They marvelled to see such things :

they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.

Fear came there upon them, and sorrow :

as upon a woman in her travail.

Thou shalt break the ships of the sea :

through the east-wind.

Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts,

in the city of our God :

God upholdeth the same for ever.

We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God :

in the midst of thy temple.

O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end :
thy right hand is full of righteousness.
Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughters of Judah be glad :
because of thy judgements.
Walk about Sion, and go round about her :
and tell the towers thereof.
Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses :
that ye may tell them that come after.
For this God is our God for ever and ever :
he shall be our guide unto death.

Here it is customary to bow until the words '...Holy Ghost'

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

Remain seated for the FIRST LESSON from the Old Testament.

A reading from the First Book of Samuel

[1:21-28]

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the Lord establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.' She left him there for the Lord.

Here endeth the first lesson.

All stand for the Choir to sing the MAGNIFICAT, the Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MY ✠ soul doth magnify the Lord: *here it is customary to make the Sign of the Cross*
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded:

the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth:

all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me:

and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him:

throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm:

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat:

and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things:

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Here it is customary to make a low bow from the waist until the words '...Holy Ghost'

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.

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, by Thomas Attwood Walmisley in D

All sit for the SECOND LESSON from the New Testament.

A reading from the Gospel according to John

[2:13-25]

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my

Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

When he was in Jerusalem during the Passover festival, many believed in his name because they saw the signs that he was doing. But Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to testify about anyone; for he himself knew what was in everyone.

Here endeth the second lesson.

All stand for the Choir to sing NUNC DIMITTIS, the Song of Simeon

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.

Here it is customary to make a low bow from the waist until the words '...Holy Ghost'

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.

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The APOSTLES' CREED is said as all face the window of 'Christ the Light of the World'

I BELIEVE in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in *here it is customary to make a slight bow* Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholick Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection ☩ *here it is customary to make the Sign of the Cross* of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The VERSICLES AND RESPONSES according to the Durham Use are sung

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

All kneel

V. Let us pray.

V. Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Christ, have mercy upon us.

V. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The LORD'S PRAYER is sung by the Choir and congregation to a setting by Rowan Swarbrick.

OUR FATHER, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the King.

R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save thy people.
R. **And bless thine inheritance.**

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R. **Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.**

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R. **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

The Officiant sings the COLLECTS: the first of the day, the second for Peace, the third for Aid against all Perils

Almighty and ever-living 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 thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please sit as the Choir sing the Anthem, 'Like as the Hart' by Herbert Howells.

All kneel for the INTERCESSIONS, which conclude

✠ **THE** grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

The NOTICES may be given here.

Please stand to sing the hymn. A collection is taken up to support the parish's life and mission.

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ the true, the only light,
sun of righteousness, arise,
triumph over shades of night;
dayspring from on high, be near;
day-star, in my heart appear.

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
if you seem not close to me;
joyless is the day's return,
till your mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine;
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiance divine;
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more yourself display,
shining to the perfect day.

*Charles Wesley 1707-88 alt
TIS 212*

Remain standing for the BLESSING.

Please sit for the ORGAN POSTLUDE, 'Toccata' by Joseph Callaerts.

Please join us for Cheese and Wine following the service



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ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES

featuring Byrd's Mass for Three Voices and the
Motet "Remember not, Lord, our offences" by
Henry Purcell

WEDNESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
6PM

followed by a simple
Lenten meal and the
first of our Lenten
Studies

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Worship & Event Highlights 2026

ASH WEDNESDAY *Wednesday February 18, 9:30am*

SRI LANKAN LUNCH *Sunday March 22, 12noon*

LENTEN LABYRINTH WALK *TBA*

LENTEN TAIZE EVENING *TBA*

GOOD FRIDAY *Friday April 3, 12noon*

EASTER DAY VIGIL *Sunday April 5, 6am*

SWINGBAND AFTERNOON TEA *Sunday June 14, 1:30pm*

HOPPER & CURRY NIGHT *Wednesday August 5, 6pm*

ADVENT LABYRINTH WALK *Wednesday December 9, 6pm*

COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING *Friday December 18, 6pm*

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS *Thursday December 24, 9pm*

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MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS 2026

ASH WEDNESDAY *Wednesday February 18, 6pm*

TENEBRAE *Tuesday March 31, 7:30pm*

MAUNDY THURSDAY *Thursday April 2, 7pm*

GOOD FRIDAY DEVOTION *Friday April 3, 10am*

EASTER SUNDAY *Sunday April 5, 9:30am*

BACH CANTATA EVENSONG *Sunday May 3, 6pm*

SCHOLARS' SOIREE *Friday May 22, 7pm*

MIDWINTER COMPLINE *Sunday June 28, 8pm*

CHOIR SHOWCASE CONCERT *Friday July 31, 7pm*

CATHEDRAL EVENSONG *Sunday August 30, 4pm*

ALL SOULS' REQUIEM *Sunday November 1, 7pm*

NINE LESSONS & CAROLS *Sunday December 20, 7:30pm*

MIDNIGHT MASS *Thursday December 24, 11pm*

CHRISTMAS MORNING *Friday December 25, 9:30am*

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