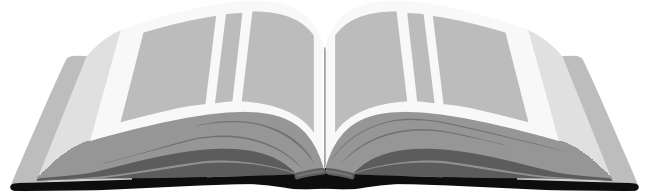
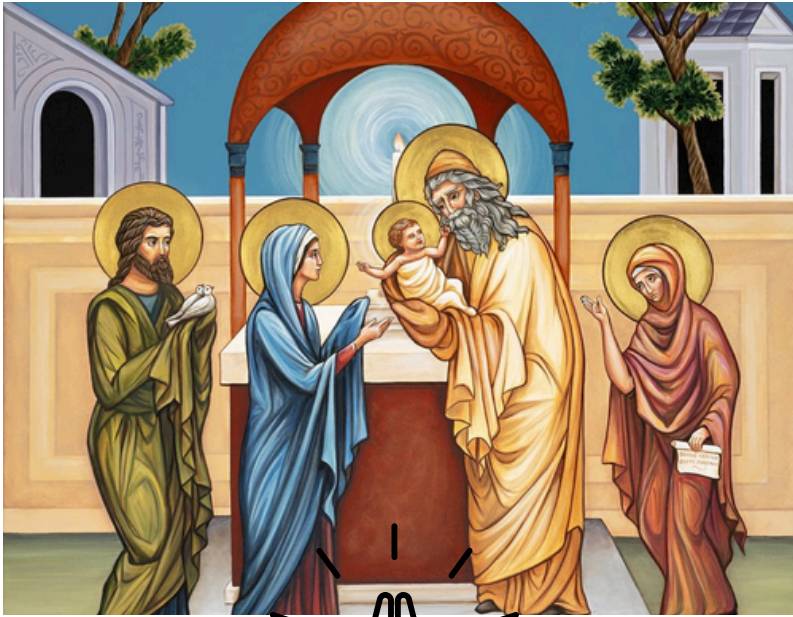


HERE I AM LORD



WORD OF WEEK

Luke 2:22-33

When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a pair of doves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."
The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said about him.



PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord, Like Simeon, we say, "Here I am, Lord." Help us to trust in Your plan, even when we don't see the whole picture. Guide us to be patient and hopeful, knowing that You are always with us. Give us the courage to follow Your light and to listen for Your call in our lives. May we serve You faithfully and share Your love with others.
Amen.



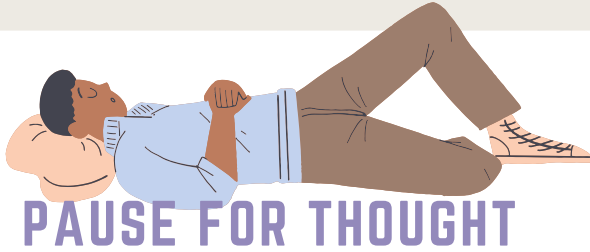
CANDLEMAS

Candlemas, celebrated on February 2nd, is a Catholic feast that commemorates the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple to fulfill Jewish law, and it's the moment when Simeon, a holy man, recognized Jesus as the Savior. The day is marked by the blessing of candles, symbolizing Christ as the Light of the World. It's a time to reflect on Christ's revelation to the world and His role as our guiding light.



THE SONG OF SIMEON

**“Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace,
according to Your word;
For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
Which You have prepared in the sight of
all the peoples,
A light for revelation to the Gentiles
and the glory of Your people Israel.”**



- Simeon was waiting for the fulfillment of God's promise to him. Can you think of a time when you had to wait patiently for something important? How did you handle the waiting, and what did you learn from the experience?
- Simeon responded with joy and peace when he finally saw Jesus. How do you feel when you recognize God's presence in your life? Are there moments when you've felt especially close to Him?
- Simeon trusted God's plan and said, "Now you can dismiss your servant in peace." How do you trust in God's timing and plan for your own life? What are some ways you can deepen that trust?



Good Plans- Red Rock Worship
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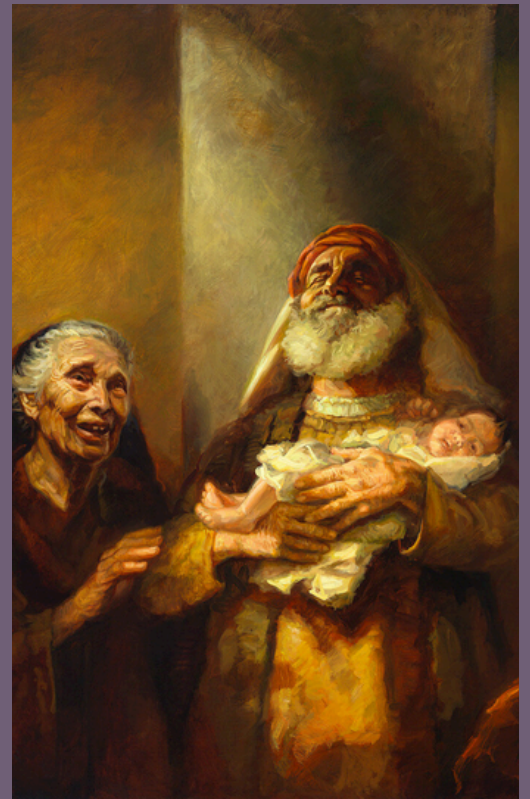
Plans for us- Eleventh Hour
Worship
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Nunc Dimittis - Song of Simeon
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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: A STORY OF PATIENCE AND FAITHFULNESS

This week we hear in our scripture reading about Jesus being presented at the temple after his birth. We are reminded this week, as we celebrate this feast day, that God has a promise and a plan for each of us. Just like Simeon, who waited patiently and faithfully, we have to trust in God's timing even when answers or blessings seem delayed, staying faithful and patient is crucial.

This week we pray for the faith to trust in God's plan for us.



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: HERE I AM LORD

Simeon's meeting with Jesus shows the fulfillment of God's promise. It reminds us that God keeps His promises, and our faithfulness in waiting and trusting will be rewarded. Our theme of the Week, here I am Lord, invited us to show our willingness to follow God's will. Like Simeon, we are called to present ourselves to God, offering our lives and actions in service of His will. This week we pray we are able to listen to God's call on our lives and act upon God's invitation.