

# Christ the Savior

WEEKLY CHURCH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“And so let us be glad and bear with patience everything the world throws at us, secure in the knowledge that it is then that we are most in the mind of God.”  
-St. Basil the Great

## Last Week We Learned

10/17/2021

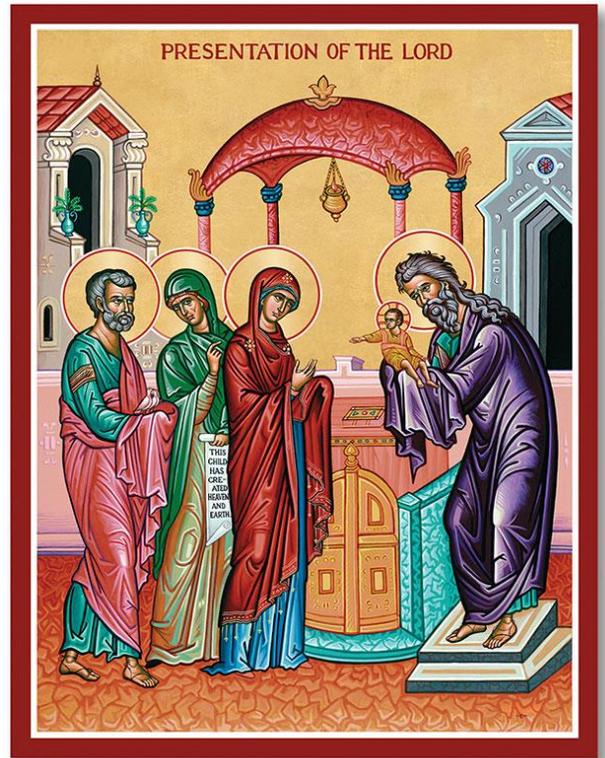
This past week in church school we learned about the Meeting of the Lord.

The Meeting of the Lord is one of the Great Feasts of the church. On this day we commemorate Jesus meeting with the Prophet Simeon and the Prophetess Anna.

The Gospel of Luke tells us that Mary and Joseph took the baby Jesus to the Temple in

Jerusalem where He was received by Simeon who said, “Now let Thy servant depart in peace...for I have seen Thy salvation.”

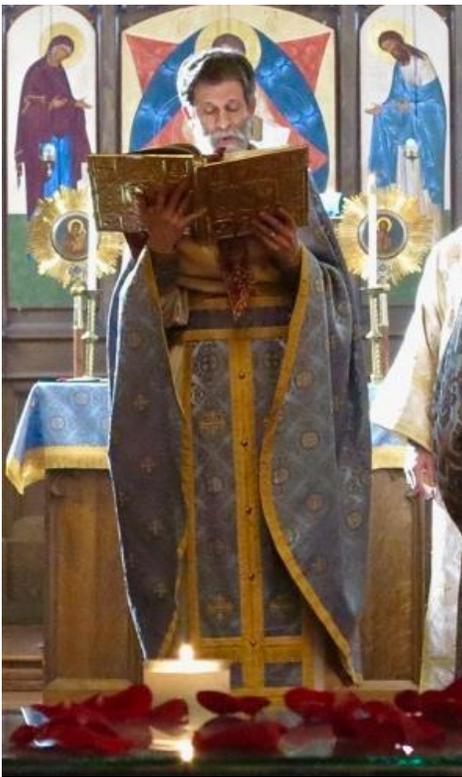
This was Simeon’s instant recognition of Jesus as our Lord and Savior, and he is one the first people to openly proclaim this in the Bible.



## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Youth Group.....Director: Jennifer Haynes
- Book Club.....Mentor: Melissa Payne
- Teen Support Group.....Mentor: Mike Sauer
- Acolyte Ministry.....Student Leader: Justin Haynes
- Artist Outreach Group.....Student Leader: Fausta Fenner
- Orthodoxy in Today’s Economic and Ecological Crisis.....Student Leader: Umbrielle Crawford





# A Word From Father Steven

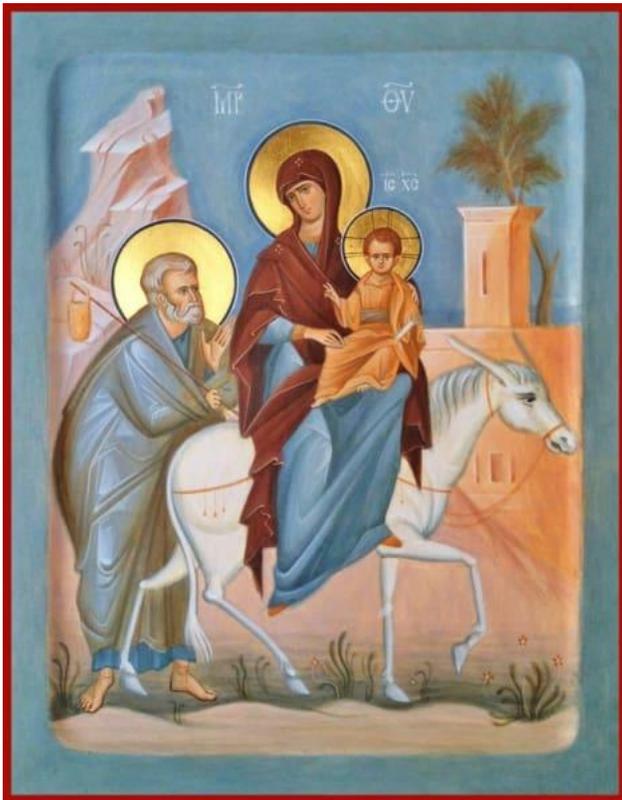
Joseph and Mary together with the child Jesus were forced to flee to Egypt because of the murderous intentions of King Herod. Obsessed with the prophecy of a young child who would grow up to be a king, Herod thought it expedient to murder all of the children in and around Bethlehem under the age of two. The Lord's heavenly Father providentially protected him and his parents by leading them into Egypt. There they stayed until Herod himself had died. We should recognize that the three of them were exiles seeking shelter in a foreign country, as countless people have been throughout the centuries when driven from their own homes for reasons beyond their control. Fortunately, Egypt did not close its borders to the Christ Child. When Jesus returned to Israel, he fulfilled the prophesy: "Out of Egypt have I called my son." (Hos. 11:1)

## MEET THE TEACHER Nika Boyd



Nika has been teaching our preschool class for 6 years! Nika grew up Orthodox and enjoys sharing her faith with her husband John and their two children Johnny and Natasha. Nika started teaching church school because she is very passionate about helping early learners. Nika grew up with younger sisters and loved babysitting, so she is very apt to teaching young students. Her favorite part of teaching church school is seeing children making connections between the church, what we are doing in church school and their own early journeys with Christ.

## This Week in Church School



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## The Magi Flight to Egypt Nazareth & The Temple