

*Holy mother of our Redeemer, thou gate leading to heaven and star of the sea; help the falling people who seek to rise, thou who, all nature wondering, didst give birth to thy holy Creator. Virgin always, hearing the greeting from Gabriel’s lips, take pity on sinners.*

 RECESSIONAL HYMN

 Holy God We Praise Thy Name

proper antiphons from The Simple English Propers

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 Presentation of the Lord

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

 

Great is the LORD and highly to be praised

in the city of our God.

His holy mountain rises in beauty,

the joy of all the earth.

Mount Sion, in the heart of the North,

the city of the Mighty King!

God, in the midst of its citadels,

has shown himself its stronghold.

OFFERTORY HYMN 

4. Saint Simeon, go forth in joy,
Exult to see the baby Boy:
Make known to all this Light divine
Who soon upon all lands shall shine

5. Lord Jesus Christ, the Glory bright
Who guides the nations into light
Be praised, and for eternity
Be glorified, O Trinity.

*Text by Kathleen Pluth, 2009*

 COMMUNION ANTIPHON



 ***Alma Redemptoris Mater***

*Sung from the first Sunday of Advent until the Feast of the Purification on February 2 (the original ending date of the Christmas season), this prayer tells of Gabriel’s announcement, and of Mary’s divine motherhood*

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