While the candles are being lit, the following antiphon or another appropriate chant is sung.

Ec-ce Dó-mi-nus nos-ter cum vir-tú-te vé-ni-et, ut il-lú-mi-net

Or:
Be-hold, our Lord will come with power, to en-light-en the eyes of
his ser-vants, al-le-lú-ia.

Then the Priest receives from the Deacon or a minister the lighted candle prepared for him and the procession begins, with the Deacon announcing (or, if there is no Deacon, the Priest himself):

Let us go in peace to meet the Lord.

Or:
Let us go forth in peace.

In this case, all respond:

In the name of Christ. A-men.
Antiphon

All carry lighted candles. As the procession moves forward, one or other of the antiphons that follow is sung, namely the antiphon A light for revelation with the canticle (Lk 2:29-32), or the antiphon Sion, adorn your bridal chamber or another appropriate chant.


Or:

Antiphon

A light for re-ve-la-tion to the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of your peo-ple Is-ra-el.

Lord, now you let your servant go in peace, in accord ance with your word:

For my eyes have seen your sal va-tion, which you have prepared in the sight of all the peo-ple-s.
The mystery of the Presentation of the Lord

V. The Lord be with you.  R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.  R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For your co-eternal Son was presented on this day in the Temple and revealed by the Spirit as the glory of Israel and Light of the nations. And so, we, too, go forth, rejoicing to encounter your Salvation, and with the Angels and Saints praise you, as without end we acclaim:

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