

THE FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

AUGUST 6, 2023, AT 10:30 AM
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*Please keep a prayerful quiet as we prepare for worship.
The People's responses are printed in **bold**.*

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Einfach (Simply), Opus 28, No. 2.
Sondra Mills, piano

Robert Schumann Romance
(1810 - 1856)

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn 7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Ratisbon

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

Opening Sentences

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. —*Psalm 85:10-11*

Song of Praise

Worship, honor, glory, blessing

Austria

Wor - ship, ho - nor, glo - ry, bless - ing, God we of - fer to your_ name;
young and old, their praise ex - pres - sing, join your good - ness to pro - claim.
As the saints in heaven a - dore you, we would bow be - fore your throne;
as your an - gels serve be fore_ you, so on_ earth_ your_ will be - done.

—*Text: Edward Osler (1798–1863)*

Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading *seated* Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99:5-9 *sung by all*

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)

The People sing with the Choir, moving to the next note on the word or syllable in bold.



We proclaim your greatness, O God, and fall down before your **footstool**; *
you are the **Holy One**.

Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your **Name**, *
they called upon you, and you **answered them**.

You spoke to them out of the pillar of **cloud**; *
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you **gave them**.

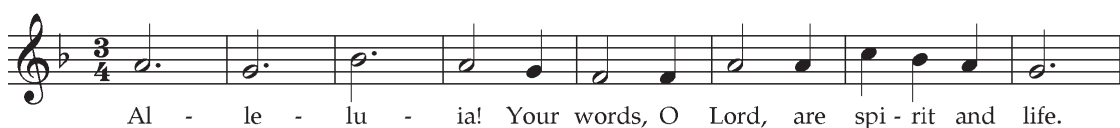
“O Holy God, you answered them **indeed**; *
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil **deeds**.”

second half

Proclaim the greatness of our God and worship on God's holy **hill**, *
for our God is the **Holy One**.

Gospel Alleluia *standing as you are able*

Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957)



The Gospel Luke 9:28-36

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All repeat the sung Alleluia.

Storytime

Children ages 3–8 are invited to the Music Room after the Gospel for a Bible story, prayers, and music, returning at the Peace.

Sermon The Rev. Adelyn Tyler-Williams

A period of silence will be observed after the sermon.

Creed *sung by all, standing as you are able*



We be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, God al - migh - ty, by whose plan
Christ, who on the cross for - sa - ken, like a lamb to slaugh - ter led,
We be - lieve in God the Spi - rit; in one Church, be - low, a - bove:
earth and heav - en sprang to be - ing, all cre - at - ed things be - gan.
suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, he des - cend - ed to the dead.
saints of God in one com - mu - nion, one in ho - li - ness and love.
We be - lieve in Christ the Sa - vior, Son of — God in hu - man frame,
We be - lieve in Je - sus ri - sen, hea - ven's — king to rule and reign,
So by — faith, our sins for - giv - en, Christ our — Sa - vior, Lord and friend,
vir - gin born, the child of Ma - ry up - on whom the Spi - rit came.
to the Fa - ther's side as - cend - ed till as judge he comes a - gain.
we shall rise with him in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

—Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Almighty God, you poured yourself into creation, you dwelt with us when you sent us your Son, and you hold us in your perpetual care. Guide us in loving your creation, in supporting the work of your Church, and in spreading the love of Christ.

God is righteous in all his ways, **and loving in all her works.**

May your righteousness and mercy be a guide for our nation and for all in authority. Help each of us to set aside selfish intentions and to pick up the burdens of our neighbors, until we live in true solidarity and companionship.

God is righteous in all his ways, **and loving in all her works.**

Deal mercifully with all your children, grant us your peace which is beyond human understanding, and care for those who are in need, especially . . . and for all those concerns we name aloud or hold in our hearts . . .

God is righteous in all his ways, **and loving in all her works.**

We praise you for your glory revealed in the world and give special thanks for . . . and for the many joys and blessings we name aloud or treasure in our hearts . . .

God is righteous in all his ways, **and loving in all her works.**

We commend to your mercy all those who have died, that they may join you in holiness and righteousness. We pray especially for . . . and for all those we name aloud or who live in our hearts . . .

God is righteous in all his ways, **and loving in all her works.**

Presider Holy God, you are merciful and righteous in all that you do. Hear the prayers and praises we lift to you, strengthen us to do your will, and keep us in communion with you, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution *standing or kneeling as you are able*

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace *The Presider says to the People*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

At the Offertory

The Holy Spirit inspires us to give generously, to extend Christ's mission in this place and the wider world. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/GivetoSCEC> to make your offering, or you can text to give using your phone. Text SCEC and AMOUNT to 73256 (QR code in Connections) and you will receive a text with instructions.

Anthem

My Lord, what a morning
The Summer Singers

Sue Ellen Page (b. 1949)

My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.
You'll hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground.
Looking at my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.
You'll hear the people shout, to wake the nations underground.
Looking at my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

Swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home.
My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

—Text: Traditional spiritual

Please stand as you are able as the offering is brought forward and blessed.

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and singing:

Sanctus and Benedictus *sung by all*

Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, O Holy One: When Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.

He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our brothers, sisters, and siblings. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken and silence observed.

Fraction Anthem

Let us be bread

Thomas Porter (b. 1958)

The People sing the refrain with the Choir and where indicated in the text.

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro-ken and shared, life for the world.

Let us be wine, love free-ly poured. Let us be one in the Lord._____

I am the bread of life, broken for all. Eat now and hunger no more. *Refrain*

—Text: T. Porter

Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at Christ's table.

Communion

Christ welcomes all to communion. ■ Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine, guiding the chalice to your lips. ■ If you do not want to sip the wine, it is also perfectly appropriate to receive the bread only. We do not allow dipping the bread into the wine. ■ Respond to communion by saying "Amen." ■ If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest. ■ Gluten-free wafers are available at each communion station. ■ Baptism is offered several times a year; speak to a priest to learn more.

Anthem

Christ, whose glory fills the skies
The Summer Singers

Malcolm Williamson
(1931–2003)

Christ whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise! Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart, glad my eyes and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!
Fill me, radiance divine; scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

– Text: Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

Music

Prayer

Flor Peeters (1903–1986)

Hymn 383

Fairest Lord Jesus

St. Elizabeth

Prayer after Communion *standing as you are able*

Let us pray.

Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Amen.

Presider As we are gathered, fed, and sent by God, let us ask ourselves: With whom can I share the Good News? Whom will I invite to join us at this table?

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Ministers *when scheduled*

In the name of St. Columba's we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that N. may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, as we all share one bread, one cup.

Blessing

The People respond Amen.

Hymn 594

God of grace and God of glory

Cwm Rhondda

Dismissal

The People respond Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

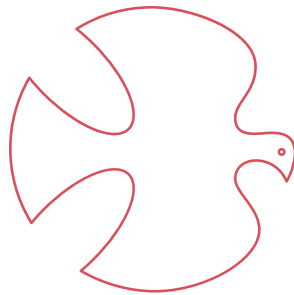
Toccata Brevis

Daniel E. Gawthrop (b. 1949)

Land Acknowledgement

We give thanks that we meet today on the traditional land of the first people of Nacotchtank, who had been its custodians for thousands of years, caring for and nurturing it. We pray for all who live on this land and pay our respects to the native leaders past, present, and emerging.

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