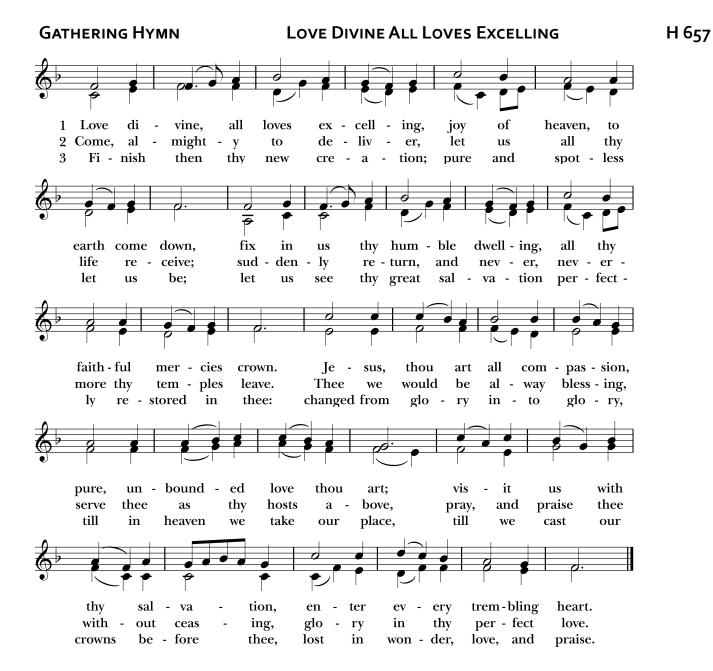




Transfiguration Sunday

WELCOME



OPENING ACCLAMATIONS Stand

Presider Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer and Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

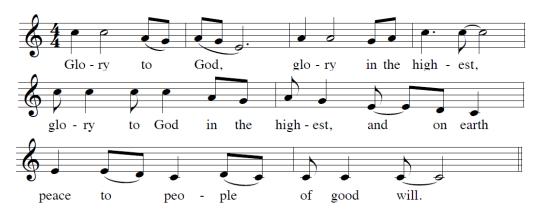
Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are

hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may

truly love you, and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

GLORIA



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Holy God, mighty and immortal,

you are beyond our knowing,

yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ,

whose compassion illumines the world.

Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ,

who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity,

the same Jesus Christ, our Lord,

who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES Seated

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the Book of Exodus.

24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY

Lector reads the verses and congregation reads the antiphon.



- 1 The Lord is King;
 - let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- The Lord is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One. ANTIPHON
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One. ANTIPHON
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. ANTIPHON
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One. ANTIPHON

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from the first letter of Peter.

1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by

the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

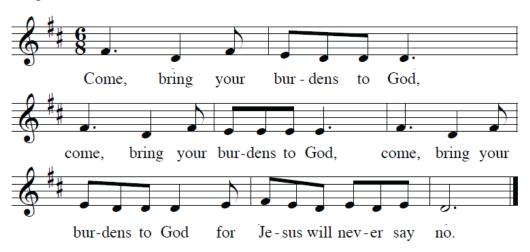
The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON Stand

COME BRING YOUR BURDENS TO GOD

Sung twice.



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THE GOSPEL

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

17:1-9

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON

COME BRING YOUR BURDENS TO GOD

Sung once. See previous page for music and lyrics.

SERMON

THE REV. DR. GARNITA PLEAS

After the sermon, silence is kept for a time.

THE NICENE CREED Stand

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider: Merciful God, you know our every need before we ask. In your loving presence, we lift our

prayers to you saying; "Lord, in your mercy; hear our prayer."

After each prayer, all say, "Hear our prayer."

Presider: Holy One, we bring our prayers to you, confident that you hear them; sure that you know

even those prayers for which we do not yet have words. And all of these come to you

through your Child, Jesus Christ, and the living Spirit that blows among us.

People: Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider The grace of God shines in our Savior Jesus Christ, who you gave to us and who brings us

more fully to you. Therefore, let us confess our sins to our God.

Silence is kept for a time.

People Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

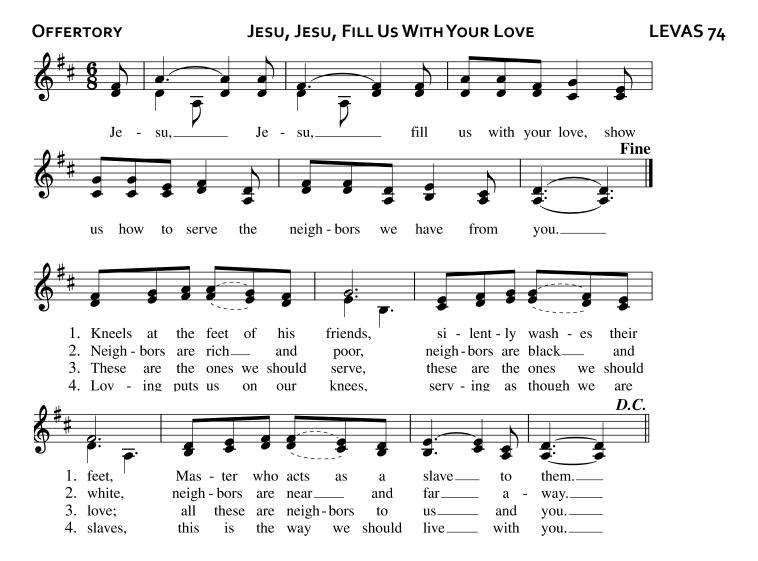
Presider Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Seated

GATHERING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor.



DOXOLOGY

The following is sung as ushers present the offerings. Please stand.

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above you heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Stand

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider All thanks and praise

are yours at all times and in all places,

our true and loving God;

through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word,

the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world

and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb;

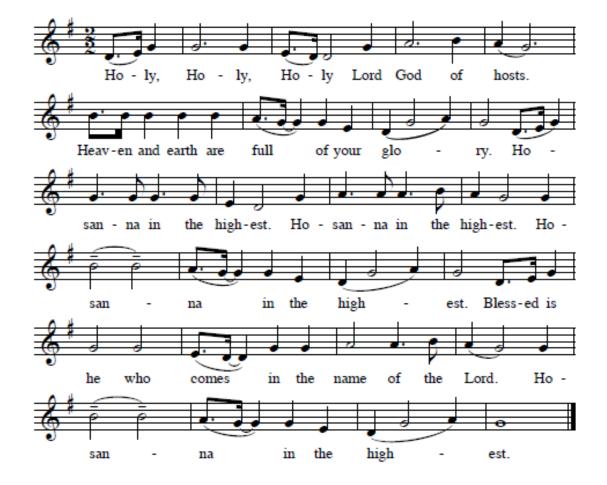
You brought forth all creatures of the earth

and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation

as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS



Presider

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory! Presider Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon these gifts of bread and wine

that they may be to us

the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power,

may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ,

and in the fullness of time gather us

with St. Francis, St. Clare, and all your people

into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,

by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator

in voices of unending praise.

AMEN





THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

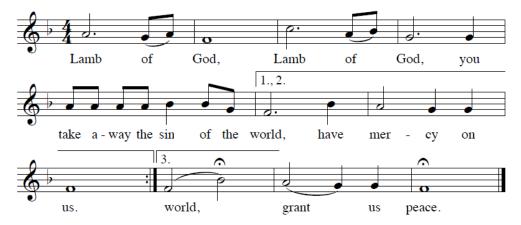
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

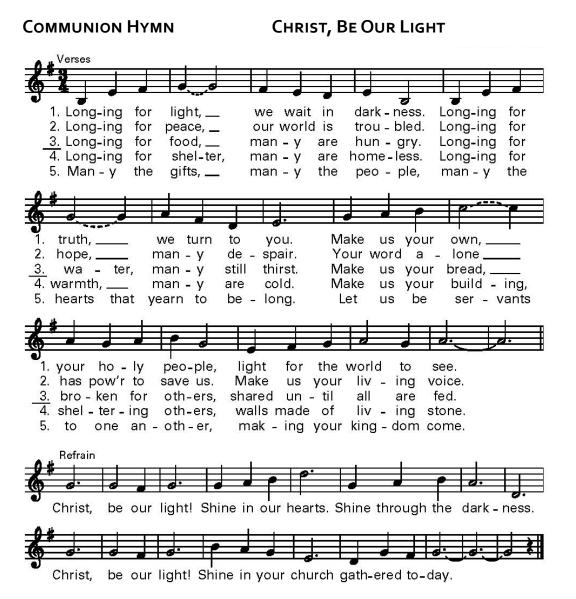
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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-free. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Stand

After all have received communion the Presider says

Presider Let us pray.

People Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with

spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a

people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and

continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Presider Christ, whose glory fills the skies, fill you with radiance and scatter the darkness from your

path.

People Amen.

Presider Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, gladden your eyes and warm your heart.

People Amen.

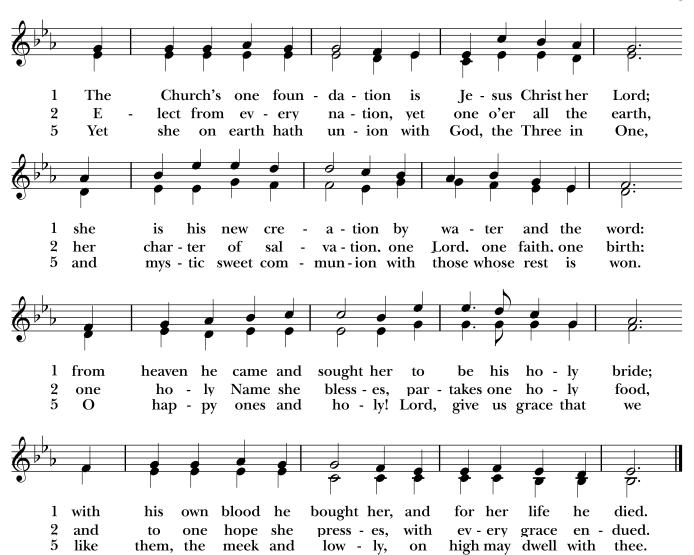
Presider Christ, the Dayspring from on high, draw near to guide your feet into the way of peace.

People Amen.

Presider And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you

and remain with you always.

People Amen.



DISMISSAL

Presider Arise! Shine! Our light has come so go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People The glory of the Lord is upon us. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE