



St. Francis' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, February 27, 2022

The Feast of the Transfiguration and
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany



PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE

H 135



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984)

Music: *Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

OPENING ACCLAMATIONS

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

THE 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, so that we may truly love you, and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

GLORIA

ED BOLDUC



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry!



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good



will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy



you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al - might-y



Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On-ly Be - got - ten Son,



Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a -

way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a -
 way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right
 hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo-ry!
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the
 high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. A - men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only -begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Reader A reading from the book of 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 99

Pro - claim the great - ness of the LORD our God, who is the Ho - ly — One.

A B

- A 1 The Lord is King; let the people / tremble;
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth / shake.
- A 2 The Lord is great in / Zion;
he is high above all / peoples.
- B 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

THE SECOND READING

Reader A reading from the second book of Corinthians.

3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ED BOLDOC

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a slight rise and fall in each phrase. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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THE GOSPEL

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

9:28-36

People **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.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

THE REV. GARNITA PLEAS

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**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

The intercessor readers the Prayers of the People. To each prayer, the people respond

People **Shine in our hearts.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

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.**

PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

BREAD OF LIFE

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O Bread of life, for sin - ners bro - ken,
For all we seek your grace sus - tain - ing;
Now may your life to us de - scend - ing



of God's own love his dear - est tok - en,
your love shines though your strength is wan - ing,
en - ter our lives, all veils thus rend - ing,



we hear the words so gen - tly spo - ken,
thus by your death our life ob - tain - ing.
Em - man - u - el, our joy un - end - ing.



"Do this for me in my re - mem - brance."
"Come un - to me, you hea - vy la - den."
"I am with you, this day and ev - er."

Words: Timothy T'ing Fang Lew (1892-1947); tr. Frank W. Price (1895-1974), alt.
Music: *Sheng En*, melody Su Yin-Lan (20th cent.)

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DOXOLOGY

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During the 10:30 worship service, the following is sung as the offerings are presented.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

EUCCHARIST

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 We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said:

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gift of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Francis and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

The people sing:

ED BOLDOC

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, 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.

THE LAMB OF GOD

ED BOLDUC

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Gluten-free bread is available. 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. However because of Covid, we cannot all receive from the same cup at the same time, but our cup remains common to us all as a different parishioner receives the cup at each service on behalf of the entire community.

Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty
 hands up - lift - ed Now the kneel - ing Now the plea
 Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come Now the hear - ing
 Now the power Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing
 Now the Bo - dy Now the Blood Now the joy - ful
 cel - e - bra - tion Now the wed - ding Now the songs
 Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing Now the Spi - rit's
 vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - an - y
 Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After all have received communion the Presider says

Presider God is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

People **God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

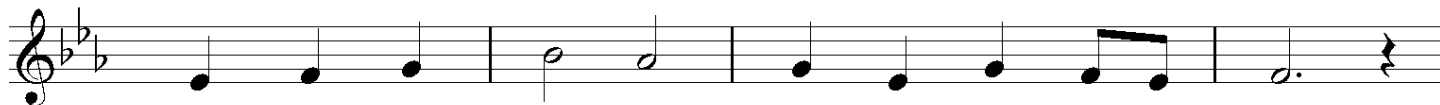
BLESSING

Presider God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

People **Amen.**



Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in peace;
 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in love;
 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in strength;
 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in joy,



be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,
 strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;
 hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;
 to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,



in God's good Spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,
 help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
 ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length
 and ser - ving Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,



till in his king - dom we _____ be - hold his face.
 his love sup - plies the grace _____ and power we seek.
 shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.
 re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

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DISMISSAL

Presider Go! Go in peace. Go in hope. Go in love. Serve God. Go and serve the people of God.

People In the name of Christ. Amen.