

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY: TRANSFIGURATION

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8:00 AM SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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10:00 AM THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

<u>Prelude</u>: Be Thou My Vision - Joseph Martin

Welcome, Announcements & Territorial Acknowledgement

We come to silence at the sound of the gong.

To request specific prayers during the service, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the prayer basket in the narthex.

Opening Hymn: CP167 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and

the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also with you.

Presider God touches the world,

All and the world changes.

Presider God touches us,

All and we are transformed.

Presider In the brightest of day,

All in the deepest of night,

Presider on mountain, in valley,

All everywhere.

All In this time, together, we invite God to open our eyes to

the transformation of our lives.

Presider And through the change -All we worship God. Alleluia!

Act of Praise – "This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine x3 Let it shine, let it shine!

All around the neighbourhood, I'm gonna let it shine x₃ Let it shine, let it shine!

Children's Talk

Collect of the Day

Presider Holy God, mighty and immortal,

you are beyond our knowing,

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

Transfigure us into his likeness,

so that, as a people changed and changing,

we may illumine the world with your compassion. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: 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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99

Reader The Lord reigns; *

All let the people tremble;

the Lord is enthroned upon the Cherubim; *

let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion *

and is high above all peoples.

Let them confess your name, which is great and awesome; * you are the Holy One.

"O mighty Sovereign, lover of justice, you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before the footstool of God; *

the Lord is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among your priests, *

and Samuel among those who call upon your name,

they called upon you, O Lord, *

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 Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *

you were a God who forgave them,

yet punished them for their evil deeds."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship upon the holy hill of God; * for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

SECOND READING: 2 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 practise 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.

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Gradual Hymn: VU713 I See a New Heaven

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Reader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now about eight days after these sayings 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.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (sing 3 times)

Homily

Anthem: Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain

Liette Desnoyers – soprano solo

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: CP451 King of Love, O Christ, We Crown You

WE SHARE THE SACRED MEAL

Presider God of mercy and grace,

All the eyes of all wait upon you,

and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table,

so that we may come to the help of all in need,

through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Eucharistic Prayer – Supplementary 1

Presider The Lord be with you.All And also with you.Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider Holy God, Lover of creation,

we give you thanks and praise

for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place

the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth,

you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,

to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

All Holy, holy, holy, God of power,

(Please see insert) of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

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Blessed, blessed, blessed,

Blessed is the one coming in the name,

the name of the Lord.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Presider Gracious God, in the fullness of time

you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity.

Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path

from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world

that could not bear the Gospel of life,

Jesus knew death was near.

His head anointed for burial

by an unknown woman,

Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you,

broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat:

this is my body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you,

this is my blood of the new covenant

which is shed for you and for many.

Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table

in response to his commandment,

to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love,

and to proclaim our faith.

All Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider Breathe your Holy Spirit,

the wisdom of the universe,

upon these gifts that we bring to you:

this bread, this cup,

ourselves, our souls and bodies,

that we may be signs of your love for all the world and

ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory is yours, Creator of all,

and we bless your holy name for ever.

All Amen.

Lord's Prayer 223





* Ojibway word. Option for "Our Father" pronounced noh-sih-nahn.

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The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord. Presider

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;

whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Taste and see that the Lord is good; All

happy are they who trust in him!

The gifts of God for the People of God. Presider

Thanks be to God. All

All are welcome to join in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. Please come forward to receive the sacrament, stepping into the circle around the altar. You may indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. All are invited to draw near the table of the Lord.

Healing prayer ministry is offered in the Lady Chapel during communion most Sundays. After you have received the sacrament, make your way to the chapel to receive prayer.

<u>Communion Music</u>: Lamb of God – see insert

MV85 Take, O Take Me as I Am

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Prayer after Communion:

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.

All And your faithful servants bless you.

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.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free,

and the whole earth live to praise your name; through

Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Blessing

Presider The Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,

teach you to walk in his way more trustfully,

to accept his truth more faithfully, and to share his life more lovingly; that by the power of the Holy Spirit

you may come as one family to the kingdom of God.

And the blessing of God: Creator, Word and Holy Spirit, be

with you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Recessional Hymn: VU304 O God, Beyond All Face and Form

Oh God, beyond all face and form, you willed it that creation's night should blaze, and chaos still its storm, and birth a universe of light.

Refrain: All things below, all things above are formed of your eternal love

The glory of the galaxies, the beauty of a baby's hand, the thundering of restless seas, the glory of the forest's stand.

Refrain

You gave our race both form and name, and love for us was your intent.
Then to a woman's womb love came, and on a cross was wholly spent.

Refrain

Of this great love, all loves are born, of self, of neighbour, and of earth. By love shall night be turned to morn, and death shall never conquer birth.

Refrain

Dismissal

Assistant May Christ, who sends us to the nations,

give us the power of the Spirit.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: March - Henry Purcell



The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

8am	10an	n

Presider & Preacher The Rev. Christine Conkin The Rev. Christine Conkin

Music Director Fran Pollet

First Reading Marilyn Pattison Lynn Alexander

Psalm Linda Sproule-Jones Martha Stein Marriott

Second Reading Helen Lindholm Terry Carroll

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