

 **THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
— OF THE —  
**TRANSFIGURATION**

TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

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**Mountain Top Order of Worship**  
**The Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord**  
**August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**



*The Transfiguration, Raphael, 1516-1520, Pinocoteca Vaticana, Rome*

O beautiful for spacious skies

Hymn 719

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,  
 2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,  
 3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!  
 who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!  
 thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.  
 con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.  
 and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

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*All standing, the Celebrant says*

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Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*           ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***  
*Celebrant*       There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*People*           ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***  
*Celebrant*       One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*People*           ***One God and Father of all.***

*The Celebrant says*

### **Collect of the Day**

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*Celebrant*       The Lord be with you.  
*People*           ***And also with you.***  
*Celebrant*       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.***

### **First Reading**

Exodus 34:29-35

*All sit.*

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*                      The Word of the Lord.

*People*                      ***Thanks be to God.***

## **Psalm 99**

- 1 The LORD is King; let the people tremble; \*  
***he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.***
- 2 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.***
- 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.***
- 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.***
- 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.***

*All stand.*

“For the Beauty of the Earth” (F. Pierpont)

**1** For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies.

**Refrain:**

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this, our hymn of grateful praise.

**2** For the wonder of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light, [Refrain]

**4** For yourself, best gift divine,  
to the world so freely given,  
agent of God's grand design:  
peace on earth and joy in heaven. [Refrain]

## **Holy Gospel**

Luke 9:28-36

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

*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.

*Deacon*                    The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Sermon**

### **Baptismal Liturgy**

*The Celebrant says*

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*The Parents and Godparents say*

I present Emerson Jane Evans to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

I present Louie Thomas Kostka to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

I present Scott McCall Kostka to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Celebrant*

Will you be responsible for seeing that they are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*

I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant*

Will you by your prayers and witness help them to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents*

I will, with God's help.

*The Celebrant then asks*

*Question* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

*The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People*        ***We will.***

*The Celebrant then says*

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

*Celebrant*    Do you believe in God the Father?

*People*        ***I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.***

*Celebrant*    Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People*        ***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

*Celebrant*    Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People*        ***I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.***

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* ***I will, with God's help.***

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* ***I will, with God's help.***

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* ***I will, with God's help.***

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* ***I will, with God's help.***

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* ***I will, with God's help.***

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Baptism and Blessing with Oil**

Emerson Jane, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Emerson Jane, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Louie Thomas, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Louie Thomas, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Scott McCall, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Scott McCall, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

***Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.***

*The Celebrant then says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

***We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.***

## **Peace**

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*            ***And also with you.***

## **Holy Communion**

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*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*            ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.  
*People*            ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*            ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again. Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

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*Celebrant and People*

***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 forever. Amen.***

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance  
that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with  
thanksgiving.

*All baptized persons are welcome and encouraged to receive both the bread and  
the wine of the Eucharist. People who are not baptized or who prefer not to  
receive communion are invited to come forward and cross their arms to receive  
a blessing. Those desiring a gluten-free wafer may request one from the priest  
when they come forward to receive communion.*

**Special Music**

Pat Hamilton

Let us pray.

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*Celebrant and People*

***Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**