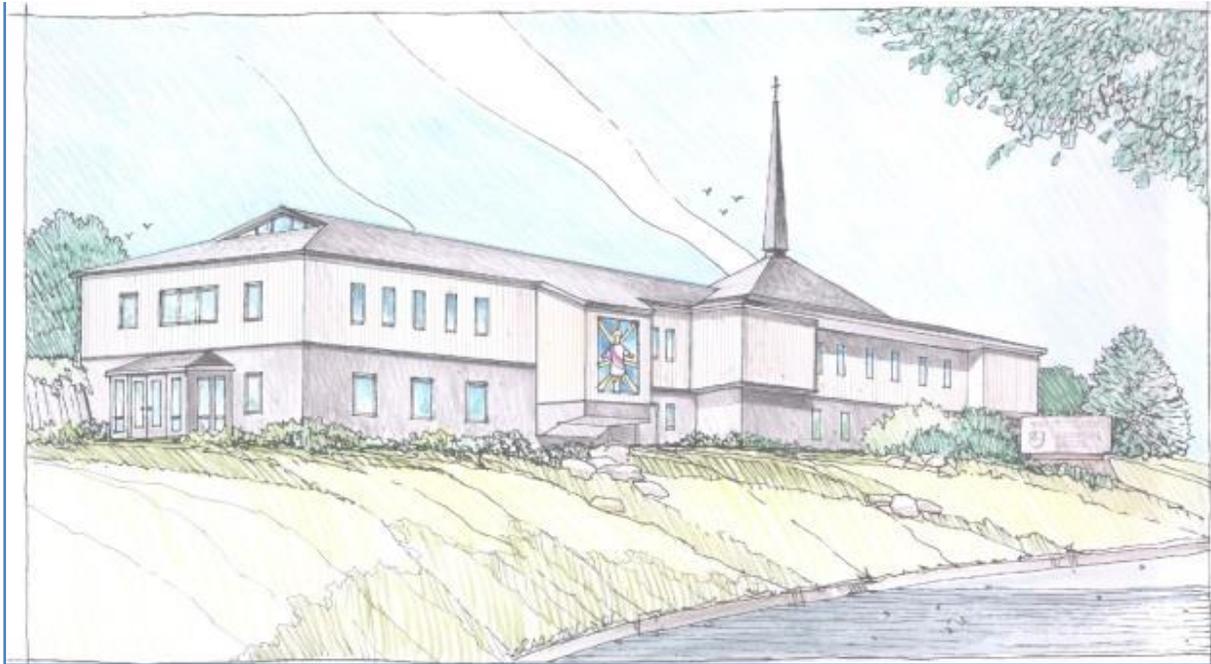


# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020



THE MISSION OF CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION  
IS TO BE A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY;  
ACCEPTING AND INVITING ALL PERSONS TO SHARE IN WORSHIP,  
WITNESS AND SERVICE; AS DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST  
IN THE WORLD.

## The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

### Rector's welcome and announcements

#### Prelude

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

Calvin Hampton

### The Word of God

*The people standing, the Officiant says*

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

BCP, pg. 355

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

*The Officiant then says the Collect for Purity*

BCP, pg. 355

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 perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*People Amen.*

#### The Gloria

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*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.*

*Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

## **The Collect of the Day**

BCP, pg. 232

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

*The people may be seated.*

## **A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah**

56:1, 6-8

Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,  
and hold fast my covenant--

these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord GOD,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them  
besides those already gathered.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans**

11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

*The people stand.*

## Gospel Hymn

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm

Music: William M. Runyan

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28  
*People* ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

*After the Gospel the Celebrant says*

*People* The Gospel of the Lord.  
***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

## The Sermon

David J. Malek

## The Nicene Creed

BCP, pg. 358

***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 man.***

*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.*

### **The Prayers of the People for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Year A**

*Leader:* The gift of forgiveness surpasses our understanding; it heals relationships, and mends our wounds. In thanksgiving for God's unfailing love, we offer our prayer, responding, "Lord, hear our prayer."

That the leaders of the nations may maintain justice that leads to peace, and harmony that leads to abundant life for all people; let us pray.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the humility to receive God's blessings and the willingness to be a blessing to others, especially those who are lost and afraid, ill and without hope for recovery, mentally fragile and without friends; let us pray.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For teachers preparing for the school year that is ahead, that they may be inspired to patiently nurture the minds of those in their charge; let us pray.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

That we may be a people of gratitude, giving thanks to God with our whole heart, and soul, and mind; let us pray.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

That we may not succumb to the harmful temptations of our culture, the desire to possess things beyond our need, our misuse of intimacy, our reliance on drugs and alcohol to improve our lives, and all things that keep us from trusting the power of the Spirit; let us pray.

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

That we may set our sight on the new life that awaits all who live in hope; let us pray.

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

That the dead who have died in the faith of Christ may inherit the kingdom prepared for them, and that those whose faith was known to God alone may receive divine mercy; let us pray.

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

For all who suffer from COVID-19, for their families and friends, and those who care for them. May suffering be relieved and health restored; and may we have the courage to curtail our usual daily activities so that lives might continue to be saved; let us pray.

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

In the company of all the saints, let us continue our prayers.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the people and ministry of the hunger, feeding, and garden ministries in this diocese, and the diocesan Task Force on Hunger; we pray for Deon, our bishop; in our companion Diocese of Lui in South Sudan we pray for Mari'ba Parish, and Justin, their priest.

We pray for those on our prayer list: ***Karen, Judy, Joey, Sally, Jack, Don, Carl, Annette, Julieta, Ed, Verla, Richard, Charley, Matthew, Joan, Audra, Dan, Nicole, Toni, Jim, Kathy, Robert, John, Terry, the Brinker family, Laura, Meghan, Mike, the Ragland family, Mack, Andrew, and MaryBeth.*** We give thanks for birthdays: Joe Presson, Jim Furgason, and Andrew Schuster; and anniversaries: Tom Kopinski & Nancy Rediger and Tom & Karen Modde.

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*The Officiant says a concluding collect.*

## **Confession of Sin and Absolution**

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*The Officiant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and 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**

*The Celebrant says*

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

### **The Peace**

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

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offertory**

*The Officiant says an offertory sentence.*

**Offertory Hymn**                      *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Hymn # 410

Text: Henry Francis Lyte

Music: John Goss

*Celebrant*     All things come of thee, O Lord  
*People*        **And of thine own have we given thee.**

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant says*

*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 God 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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

*Celebrant and People*

***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*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

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*Celebrant and 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**

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*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.  
Then the following is said*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* ***Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

**Music for Contemplation**

Thomas Lee

**The Blessing**

**The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Postlude**

*Allegro Maestoso*

Felix Mendelssohn

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