

# The Episcopal Church *of the* Transfiguration

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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.

## **A Litany of Thanksgiving**

(for use on Fridays of Easter)

HE IS RISEN  
*alleluia*

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The Great Litany from *Enriching Our Worship* Volume 1 (pages 46-49) has been adapted with prayers of Thanksgiving, including A Litany of Thanksgiving and A General Thanksgiving taken from *The Book of Common Prayer*, pages 836-840, with a Prayer attributed to St. Francis (page 833).

In order to accommodate the limitations of technology, this Litany is arranged for 12 voices. Even numbered voices pray the responses of the people. Please note that the voices are heard in more than one portion of the Litany.

All participants who are not assigned a number in a given portion of the liturgy are invited to either mute their microphone or silently pray with the even numbered voice (the voice of the people).

If less than 12 people are present, more than one voice may be assigned to participants.

After all voices are assigned, the service will begin with the ringing of a bell and one minute of silence. The service will end with the ringing of a bell.

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### **I. I. voices 1 and 2**

1 Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,

2 *Have mercy on us.*

1 Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

2 *Have mercy on us.*

1 Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

2 *Have mercy on us.*

1 Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

2 *Have mercy on us.*

### **II. voices 3 and 4**

3 From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

3 By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

4 *Savior deliver us.*

### **III. voices 5 and 6**

5 Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

5 Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

5 Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

5 Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding,  
that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

5 Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your  
Spirit.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

5 Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

5 Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the  
fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

6 *Hear us, O Christ.*

#### **IV. voices 7 and 8**

7 Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.  
For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of  
Christ,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

7 For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

8 *We thank you, Lord.*

**voices 9 and 10**

9 Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

10 We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

9 We thank you for the great resources of this nation. They make us rich, though we often exploit them.

10 We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

9 We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

10 Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

9 Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.*

**V. voices 11 and 12**

11 Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

11 Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

11 Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

11 Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

11 Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

11 Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

11 Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

12 *Hear us, O Christ.*

## VI. voices 1-12

1 Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

2 Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
have mercy on us.

3 Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

4 Give us today our daily bread.

5 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

6 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

7 O Lord, let your mercy be showed upon us

8 As we do put our trust in you.

*A Prayer attributed to St. Francis*

9 Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

10 Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

11 where there is injury, pardon;

12 where there is discord, union;

1 where there is doubt, faith;

2 where there is despair, hope;

3 where there is darkness, light;

4 where there is sadness, joy.



- 5 Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
- 6 to be understood as to understand;
- 7 to be loved as to love.
- 8 For it is in giving that we receive;
- 9 it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
- 10 and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen*
- 11 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*