



Lent at Transfiguration

Since ancient times, Christians have prepared for Easter during a 40-day season of repentance called Lent. In it, we set our minds on the great love and forgiveness of God and our need to continually renew our faith in Jesus Christ. During Lent, our worship is more penitential in character, and this weekend we begin the service with the Penitential Order. It sets our minds on our need to be reconciled to God through confession and absolution, which happen at the start of the service, rather than the usual place before the Peace. We also pray together the Decalogue, or Ten Commandments, which reveal the basic boundaries of a good and godly life. Jesus later summarized them: love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and your neighbor as yourself.

Sunday, March 22, 2020

The Holy Eucharist

Rite II with Expansive Language

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Voluntary

Ten Trios Opus 49 Josef Rheinberger
I. Sanfte Register. Andante
II. Mittel-starke Register. Moderato

Welcome

*Please stand at the ringing of the sacring bell.
The ministers enter silently from the Sacristy and the Presider begins the service.*

A Penitential Order

Presider ✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People God's mercy endures for ever.

Please kneel.

The Decalogue

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord
your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of
the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.
Amen. Lord have mercy.

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

– Hebrews 4:14, 16

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 our Savior 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 Presider pronounces an absolution:

Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your
sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all

goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Stand.

Kyrie

New Plainsong

David Hurd

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Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world:

Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson *Be seated.*

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is now before the LORD.” But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.”

And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 23

Tone 8A



Cantor

The LORD is my shépherd; *

I / shall not bé in want.

People

He makes me lie down in green pástures *

and leads me be/side still wáters.

He revives my sóul *

and guides me along right pathways / for his Náme's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of déath,

I shall / fear no évil; *

for you are wíth me;

your rod and your / staff, they cómfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence
of those who tróuble me; *
 you have anointed my head with oil,
 and my cup is / running óver.
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all
the days of mý life, *
 and I will dwell in the house of the / LORD for éver.

Second Lesson

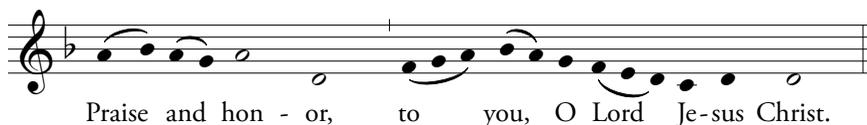
Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light — for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Stand.

Gospel Acclamation *Praise and Honor* Chant, adapted David Hurd

Please repeat this refrain after the choir's intonation and following the verse:



Verse: I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
 whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Gospel

John 9:1-41

✠✠✠ The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight

and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may

become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Be seated.

Sermon

The Rev. Nancy DeStefano

Stand.

The Nicene Creed

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, was
incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became
truly 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, who with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified, who 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 *Spoken*

In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the holy Church of God, that in this time of darkness, we may shine with Christ’s light, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and we may be one as you and the Father are one, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Sam, Alex, Natalie, and Brandon, and for all who will be reborn of water and the Spirit at Easter, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For grace to resist cynicism and despair, and faith to believe in God’s power to help us through every trial and tribulation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our leaders and all in authority, that they receive wisdom and courage to guide us through this ordeal, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who suffer from any sickness or disease, and especially those affected by the coronavirus pandemic, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all doctors, nurses, scientists and all who risk much in order to minister to the sick, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For a spirit of patience and hope to fill our hearts, so we may not succumb to fear or anxiety, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those living in the shadow of death and all who are afraid, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

✠ For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

The Presider prays the Concluding Collect.

Guide us, O Lord our shepherd, that, amid all the changes and chances of our earthly pilgrimage, we may abide in your presence and fear no evil; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Offertory

You can securely make your gift using any smartphone by texting "Transfiguration" to 73252.

Anthem

Howard Goodall

The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psalm 23)

Transfiguration Quartet with Terrie Preskitt-Brown, soloist

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer 1, *Enriching Our Worship*

*This form comes from Enriching Our Worship,
a supplemental resource to The Book of Common Prayer.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues the prayer:

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:

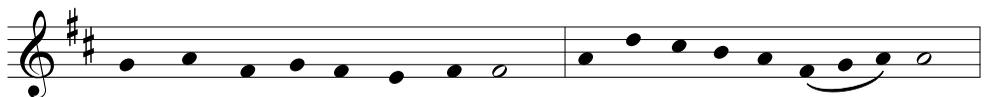
Sanctus

New Plainsong

David Hurd



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-en



and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.



Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation

In the midst of the prayer, the Presider says:

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant concludes the Eucharist Prayer:

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. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer *Said*

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 *Silence is kept.*

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei

New Plainsong

David Hurd

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

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Spiritual Communion

Saint Augustine's Prayer Book
(Forward Movement, 2014)

*As Communion is administered in the church, the people
at home say the following:*

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping there, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Voluntary

Ten Trios Opus 49

Josef Rheinberger

X. Sanfte Register. Andante molto

Stand.

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Kneel.

The Solemn Prayer

Deacon Bow down before the Lord.

Presider Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stand.

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Processional Hymn

HOUSTON

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

The music for this hymn is on the following page.

Voluntary

Præludium in G minor

Nikolaus Bruhns



1. I want to walk as a child of the light I want to
 2. I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the
 look at Je - sus. Clear sun of right-eous - ness shine on my



world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 path, And show me the way to the Fa - ther.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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