



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.

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Sunday, March 29, 2020

The Holy Eucharist

Rite II with Expansive Language

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome

Voluntary

Petit Prélude (Aria)

Joseph Jongen

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.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

– Mark 12:29-31

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.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson *Be seated.*

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the LORD God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the LORD God: Come

from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the LORD God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 130 *Spoken in Unison.*

Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;

LORD, hear my voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *

O LORD, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *

therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *

in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the LORD,

more than watchmen for the morning, *

more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;
With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Stand.

Gospel

John 11:1-45

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow

disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.”

Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Be seated.

Sermon

The Rev. Rebecca Tankersley

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 follow Christ, that our divisions may cease, and we may be one as the Father and Son 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.

Almighty God, look with mercy upon the whole human family; send your Spirit to raise up those who have fallen, give hope to those who sit in darkness, and lead us out from the shadow of death; this we ask for the sake of him who is resurrection and life, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.*

Voluntary

Wondrous Love

David N. Johnson

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.

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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 *Spoken*

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 worshipping 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

Nocturne

Germaine Tailleferre

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 with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord.. **Amen.**

Stand.

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Processional Hymn

WONDROUS LOVE

What Wondrous Love Is This, O My Soul

The music for this hymn is on the following page.

Voluntary

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Caprice sur les Grands Jeux



1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?
2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;



What won-drous love is this, O my soul?
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.



What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joy-ful be,



To lay a-side his crown for my soul, for my soul;
While mil-lions join the theme I will sing, I will sing;
And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on;



To lay a-side his crown for my soul?
While mil-lions join the theme I will sing.
And through e-ter-ni-ty, I'll sing on.

Easter Celebration

You are invited to join in the celebration of Easter by filming you or your family saying “Alleluia, Christ is risen; the Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.”

Make sure you upload your video by Wednesday, April 1. [Click here to upload](#) or email your video to rgaletka@transfiguration.net with the subject line “Easter.”

In response to the pandemic, all in-person meetings, gatherings, and worship will occur online-only through at least April 13. The Rector and Vestry are remaining attentive to local, state, and national directives, and we remain focused on preserving the health and well-being of every member of our community.

Formation classes for all ages can be accessed from home by visiting www.transfiguration.net/watch. This includes videos, lectures, handouts, and other materials.

You are invited to join us for Morning Prayer every day at 8:00 a.m. at the Transfiguration Facebook page.

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