



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Offering Companionship along the Way

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY:
THE TRANSFIGURATION

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Prelude Organ improvisation on tune *Eastview*

Opening Hymn 543 O Zion, tune thy voice

Eastview

THE WORD OF GOD

Pastor Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

Pastor 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. **Amen.**

The Gloria "Glory to God" *see insert*

Gevert 2017-06

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A reading from the Book of Exodus 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99

Gevert-6

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.

A Reading from The Second letter of Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia”

Plainsong, arr. Christine Gevert

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 17:1-9
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Félix Rivera

A time of Silent Reflection

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:
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.**

Prayers of the People

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, Joe; for our Governors, Charlie, Kathy and Ned, for the leaders of all nations and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our towns, for every city and community, and for those who live and work in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering especially *(we read from the book and leave time for other names to be added,)* let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all those things for which we are thankful *(we leave time to lift up thanksgivings)* and for those on our parish cycle of prayer, Matthew and Eleanore Boyse, Geoff and Judy Brown, for Mary Anne Carley and for their families, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection *(we read from the book and leave time for names to be added,)* and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Confession

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.

Absolution

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.**

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

Announcements and Commissioning of the Vestry

Offertory Hymn 644 How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds

St. Peter

Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Old 100th

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. for you are the source of light and life. You made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

Holy, holy, holy (*see insert*)

Gevert 2017-06

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 pray:

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.

Fraction Anthem “Blessed are those” (*see insert*)

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Distribution of Holy Communion at floor level

We offer wine and grape juice, blessed

Communion Hymn 345 Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise

Ellers

Postcommunion Prayer

Lord, change us and we shall be changed,
Transform us by your love,
Redeem us by your grace,
Strengthen us by your presence,
That we may move from glory to glory;
Through Christ our Lord, who with the Holy Spirit
Reigns with you, O Father, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Blessing

God, who gives us glory, make you holy in every way, and keep you from the powers of evil; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Final Hymn 529 In Christ there is no East or West

McKee

The Dismissal

Postlude Improvisation on tune *McKee*

The altar flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God.

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax
Preacher: The Rev. Félix Rivera, Deacon and Hispanic Missioner
Music Director: Christine Gevert
Minister of Communion: Theresa Kenny
Lector: Jim Conzo
Epistoler: Bill Jenks
Intercessor: Barry Anderson
Altar Guild: Bev Becker
Flowers: Heather Chapman
Counter: Barry Anderson
Greeter/Usher: Jim Conzo
Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

Today	12 Noon Vestry meeting 4:00 PM Misa en Español
Wed., Feb. 22	12:30 PM Short Ash Wednesday service 6:00 PM Ash Wednesday service with Eucharist and ashes
Thu. Feb. 23	No Bible Study this week. Pastor Heidi at Visions training.
Sunday, Mar.. 5	We resume our once-a-month Thank Offering to benefit a charity of the Sunday School's choosing.
Sat. March 11	6:00 PM Crescendo presents Carissimi's <i>Jephte</i> and <i>Misse L'homme Armée</i>
Sun., March 26	11:45 AM Outreach Brunch returns with visits from three local librarians 4:00 PM Misa en español



Mondays	7:00 PM Crescendo Rehearsal
Tuesdays	7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous in Walker Hall
Wednesdays	Services at Noble Horizons, Geer Nursing, Geer Lodge 6:00 PM on first and last Wednesday of the month, Women's AA in Walker Hall
Thursdays	1:00 PM Bible Study on Zoom.
Saturdays	9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office

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