



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



Transfiguration of Jesus (Armando Alemdar Ara, 2004)

February 27, 2022, 10:00 AM

Transfiguration Sunday

Morning Prayer

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Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Children's Focus

Wendy Doherty

Opening Hymn #169 "Jesus, on the Mountain Peak"

Jesus, on the mountain peak stands alone in glory blazing.

Let us, if we dare to speak, join the saints and angels praise: alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.

All the prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting: alleluia!

Swift the cloud of glory came, God, proclaiming in its thunder,

Jesus as the Son by name! Nations, cry aloud in wonder: alleluia!

Jesus is the chosen One, living hope of every nation.

Hear and heed him, everyone; sing with earth and all creation: alleluia!

The Penitential Rite

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51.18

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6, 7

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1.8, 9

The officiant says to the people,

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All kneel and silence is kept. The officiant and people say together,

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 neighbours 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.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

(all stand)

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Staff 1: *Officiant* Lord, o - pen our lips. *People* And our mouth shall pro - claim your praise.

Staff 2: *Officiant* O God, make speed to save us. *People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

Staff 3: *All* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it:

Staff 4: *Except in Lent, add,*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Invitatory

The Lord is in his holy temple: **O come, let us worship.**

Venite

Psalm 95.1–7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

**For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his for he made it, *
and his hands have moulded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: **The Word of the Lord.**
And the people shall respond: **Thanks be to God.**

First Reading Exodus 34:29-35

Ceri Penner

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. ³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹ But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. ³² Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai.

³³ When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴ But whenever he entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. ² Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

Gradual Hymn "How Great is Our God"

**The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.**

**Chorus: How great is our God! Sing with me:
 how great is our God! And all will see
 how great, how great is our God!**

**And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.**

Chorus

**Bridge: Name above all names,
 Worthy of all praise
 My heart will sing:
 How great is our God! X2**

Chorus

Gospel Reading Luke 9:28-43

Judith Robinson

Reader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ³¹ They spoke about his departure,^l which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.” ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. ³⁸ A man in the crowd called out, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. ³⁹ A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. ⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not.”

⁴¹ “You unbelieving and perverse generation,” Jesus replied, “how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here.”

⁴² Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father. ⁴³ And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Anthem

“Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise” – arr. by H. Hopson

The Apostles’ Creed (*all stand*)

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is

seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People *(all kneeling)*

Greg Young

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our Diocese we pray for St. Barnabas, Three Hills and the Rev. James Enns and The Rev. Monica King.

In the Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. Matthew, Biabou with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent and The Rev. Deacon Kenwick Lewis.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those providing music ministry and for the Deputy Warden of Worship, Michael Larsen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *(All kneel)*

All **Almighty God, on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn #560 "God, Whose Almighty Word"

**God, whose almighty Word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight:
hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light!**

**Saviour, who came to bring on your redeeming wing healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind:
Now for all humankind let there be light!**

**Spirit of truth and love, lifegiving, holy Dove, speed on your flight!
Move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place let there be light!**

**Gracious and holy Three, glorious Trinity, wisdom, love, might,
Boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride:
through the world far and wide let there be light!**

**Dismissal 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**

Postlude

Flowers on the altar are in loving memory
of David and Jean, Paul and Mary, Bernard,
Andy, Pat, Muriel, Brian, Mike and Dale.

Thank you to our musicians today:
Joanne Collier, Keith Griffioen, Karen Hudson,
Len Robinson and Mary Lee Voort.

Thank you to our technical crew this morning:
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