

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

*The Transfiguration of  
Our Lord Jesus Christ*



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*The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents  
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey  
6 August, 2023 ~ 7:30 AM*

*Welcome! In The Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. BCP means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book). You'll find the BCP and Hymnals in the pew rack in front of you. Please join us for Coffee Hour following the service.*

*\* Indicates to stand as you are able*

**Prelude**

*Melodie*

Arr. Lani Smith (1934-2015)

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

**Entrance Hymn #546**

*Awake My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve*

*SIROË*

**Opening Acclamation**

**BCP, p. 355**

**The Collect for Purity**

*Song of Praise LEVAS #245 We Have Come Into His House* Bruce Ballinger (b.1945)

**The Collect of the Day**

**BCP, p. 243**

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**The First Lesson**

**Exodus 34:29-35**

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take

the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 99** (*Alternating by whole verse*)

**BCP, p. 728**

- 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; \*  
or the LORD our God is the Holy One.

## The Epistle

2 Peter 1: 13-21

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For 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.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn (Insert)** *Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place (sing through twice)*

## The Holy Gospel

**Luke 9:28-36**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter

said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** (*All are seated*)

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Canon Dr. Rob Droste+**

**\*The Nicene Creed**

**BCP, p. 358**

**\*The Prayers of the People: Form VI**

**BCP, p. 392**

*(The people may stand or kneel)*

*Celebrant* Let us offer our prayers to God.

*Silence*

*Leader* For all people in their daily life and work;

*People* **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

*Leader* For Nancy our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Joseph our President; for this community, the nation, and the world;

*People* **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

*Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation;

*People* **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

*Leader* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People* **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

*Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People* **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

*Leader* In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Sally our Bishop; for Judith our Deacon, for Caroline, our Rector, for Rob our guest, and for all bishops and other ministers;  
**People For all who serve God in his Church.**

*Leader* We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially remembering all victims of climate change, and for the poor. We also remember all those mentioned in our Parish Prayer List: the sick, the shut in, and the grieving; those serving in the military and other dangerous professions, and for our enemies, that all hearts may be turned to peace.  
*(The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud at this time.)*

*Leader* Hear us, Lord;  
**People For your mercy is great.**

*Leader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; for the beauty of your creation; for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week, and, for The Holy Innocents, and all the Saints.

*Leader* We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**People And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

*Leader* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *(Deceased loved ones and friends may be mentioned at this time.)*

*Leader* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**People Who put their trust in you.**

*Celebrant* O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

### **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**

**\*The Peace** (*All stand*)

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory** *A Joyful Mozart Alleluia* arr. Jeanne Anne Schafferman

**\*Presentation of the Gifts** (*All stand*)

*All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee*

**\*The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D**

**BCP, p. 372**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

**Sanctus LEVAS #255** (*all sing*) *Holy, Holy, Holy* Grayson Warren Brown (1948-2023)

*(The People may stand or kneel)*

*Celebrant* We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

***All: We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

*Celebrant* Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ***All: AMEN.***

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP, p. 364**

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** (*All baptized Christians may receive Holy Communion*)

*Fraction Anthem: S-154* (*all sing*) *Christ Our Passover* David Hurd (b. 1950)

**Music at Communion LEVAS #154** *Taste and See* James E. Moore, Jr. (b.1951)  
(*Congregation join in singing on refrain*)

**\*Postcommunion Prayer** (*Please stand*) **BCP, p. 365**

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Blessing**

## **The Parish Notices**

**Hymn LEVAS #198** *Love Lifted Me* Howard E. Smith (1863-1918)

**Dismissal** **BCP, p. 366**

**Postlude** *Praise to the Lord* Arr. Sam Ellson

*Thank you to Joan Melega and Jean Nelson for providing special music for our service this morning.*

*Coffee Hour is held EVERY SUNDAY and we would LOVE IT if you would join us following the service!*

## **Serving Today**

**Crucifer** ~ John Wall **Lector** ~ Leila Sullivan

**Ushers** ~ Kay DeCicco, Mike DeCicco **Chalice Bearer** ~ Melissa Wall

If you are interested in The Episcopal Church and/or becoming a member, please contact Mtr. Caroline+ [theparsoncarson@gmail.com](mailto:theparsoncarson@gmail.com)

## **MINISTRIES & COMMITTEES**

Would you like to be a part of one or more of our ministries and committees here at Holy Innocents'? Please see Mtr. Caroline+ or an Usher/Greeter to find out how!

## Parish Prayer List – August 5, 2023

*If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.*

|                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Joan Connolly      | Judy Contreras    | Mary Ann Crewdson |
| Lara Sparks Deitz  | Ann White         | Jane Enos         |
| Nancy & Gary Acker | Dennis            | Louise Muth       |
| Dcn. Judy          | Diane Carter      | Anthony B.        |
| Connie Anderson    | Christian Balint  | Barney H.         |
| Mary Jane Mannherz | Jerry South       | Taylor            |
| Gordon             | Susan F.          | David Southwick   |
| Cheryl             | Diane D.          | Dayton            |
| Jason              | Kirsten Angelozzi | Bob Hendricks     |
| Chris Hendricks    | Andy              | Kathy & Walter    |
| Ron & Kenny        | Jeannine          | Priscilla         |
| Judy & Al          | Joan Kelly        | Jack Muth         |
| Chris C.           | Dick Evleth       |                   |

### **Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:**

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Joseph Alexander, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall, Brandan White

### WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR Aug 7-Aug 12

|          |                                                  |         |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 07 – Mon | Morning Prayer (FB)                              | 9:00 AM |
|          | Playground Committee Zoom                        | 8:00 PM |
|          | Evening Prayer (FB)                              | 6:00 PM |
| 09 – Wed | Concert on the Green- <i>Carnaby Street Band</i> | 7:30 PM |
| 10 – Thu | Bible Study @ Rectory                            | 2:00 PM |
|          | Vestry Meeting                                   | 7:00 PM |
|          | Compline (FB)                                    | 9:00 PM |
| 11 – Fri | <i>Parish Office Closed</i>                      |         |
| 12 – Sat | <i>Mass on the Beach</i> & Brown Bag Dinner      | 6:00 PM |

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## LOOKING AHEAD

- Sept. 17 Annual Picnic  
Oct. 12 Annual Silent Bid Auction, see Maggie Aftanis for tickets  
Oct. 23 ECW (Episcopal Church Women) & UTO Ingathering 10-1



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