



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons*

**The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ**  
**August 4, 2024 • 10:30 AM**  
**Holy Eucharist Rite II**

*The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer and is printed here in its entirety.*

**The Opening Voluntary**

*Aria in Classic Style*  
Marcel Grandjany

**The Opening Hymn**

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies*  
Hymnal 7

**The Welcome**

**The Children's Corner**

**The Liturgy of the Word**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*The People say together*

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**

Hymnal S 280

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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 Reading ~ 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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## **The Psalm ~ 99**

- 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.

### **The Second Reading ~ 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.

*Lector*        *The Word of the Lord.*

*People*        *Thanks be to God.*

## The Sequence Hymn

*Christ upon the mountain peak*  
Hymnal 129

## 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.*

## The Sermon

Nicole Walters, Seminarian

*A period of silent prayer.*

## The Nicene Creed

*All say together*

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

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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.

### **The Prayers of the People ~ Form III**

Intercessor            Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People*                    *That we all may be one.*

Intercessor            Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve  
you;  
*People*                    *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Intercessor            We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People*                    *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and  
Sacraments.*

Intercessor            We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the  
world;  
*People*                    *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Intercessor            Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People*                    *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Intercessor            Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble,  
especially Brooker, Susan, and Anne;  
*People*                    *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Intercessor            Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People*                    *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Intercessor            We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People*                    *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Intercessor            We pray for the members of our Nominating Committee, Philip,  
Kasey, Brother, Katie, J.J., Bill, and Fred, and our Vestry members,  
Marianne, Tony, Marge, Anne, Mary Frances, Polly, Sarah, Elizabeth,  
and Roy that they may be guided by your Holy Spirit.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially David.

Intercessor        Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

**The Prayer In Times of Conflict** [*prayed by all*]

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. {BCP page 824}

*The celebrant adds a concluding collect*

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 of Sin**

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

*Minister and People*

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.

*Celebrant says*

**The 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.*

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*    The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        *And also with you.*

## **The Announcements**

## **The Blessings and Thanksgivings**

## **The Offertory Sentence**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory Anthem**

*The Lord is My Light and My Salvation*  
Jonathan Eason/Healy Willan

### **The Presentation Hymn**

*O wondrous type! O vision fair*  
Hymnal 137 v 1,2,3

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer A

*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.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

### **The Sanctus**

Hymnal S 129

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 for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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.

**The Great Amen**

Hymnal S 146



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

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**

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Holy Communion is offered via the common cup for sipping or intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine). A mobility-impaired individual can receive communion at your seat by raising your hand.*

***Gluten-free wafers are available and will be served by the vergier behind the altar. Please approach the gluten-free station by walking around on the right side to the back of the altar.***



## **The Fraction Anthem**

Hymnal S 154

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation.*

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **The Communion Anthem**

*O Light of Light, Love Given Birth*  
Gregorian Chant

## **The Communion Hymn**

*Let us break bread together on our knees*  
Hymnal 325

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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.

## **Prayer for those Not Receiving the Blessed Sacrament**

*[Adapted from Saint Augustine's Prayer Book. For those not present in the Nave.]*

Blessed Jesus, in union with the faithful of every place and people and nation, I join in offering the sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I believe that you are truly present in the Bread that has been blessed, broken and given. Since I cannot now receive this holy sacrament, I pray that you will come spiritually into my heart. Abide with me, that I may embrace you entirely, and submit myself to your love and mercy. Let me never be separated from you, that in my waking and in my sleeping I may know the comfort of your presence. I ask this for the sake of your love. *Amen.*

## **The Blessing**

## **The Closing Hymn**

*Holy God we praise thy name*  
Hymnal 366 v 1,2,3

## **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

***Remember in your Prayers***

From The Daughters of the King: Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP)

A Prayer for the Nominating Committee: Almighty God, Giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (from St Martin in the Fields)

We pray for those with timely concerns: Roger Hines, Andrew Davis, Connie Edge, Kathryn Martin, Bill Garrett, Karen Mosley, Barbara Marshall, Seth Hart, George Abbott-Maze, Billie Harper, Mary Ellyn Booth, Bill Henry, Jason Reynolds, Linda Tudor, Melissa Odom, Neal Miller, Brooker Wolfe.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Brink Howard, Greg Parsons, Annie Bulford, Bo Warren, Ernie Williams, Kelsey Crow, Anne Murphy, Jim Myrick, Ashton Hughes, Lamar Toole, Elizabeth Briscoe, Buddy Sullivan, Larry Maze, Saralyn Singletary, Bella Pacini, Greg Olsan, Candy Waldron, Bob Lewis.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Marianne, Tony, Marge, Anne, Mary Frances, Polly, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Roy, and for the Staff: Canon John, Nicole, Rev. Deandre, Rhett, Dawn, Geoff, Cole, Nicole, Kimberly.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Kevin Bradley, Joe Clay, Tom Choate, Linda Boyce, Dariel Johnson, Sean McGraw, Steven Puckett, Bill Tudor, Jr., Luke White, Tommy White, Zach Simkins, Jacob Britt, Morgen Davis, Luke Eason, Michael Rafferty, David Norwood, Arron Essex, Adam Harrison, Sam Vermilyea, Charles Mathews, Cameron Everett, Lanier Sealy, Beau Massenburg, Ryan Whitfield, Stephen Malcom, Victoria Eversoll, Trey Bland, Ethan King.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: David Pape.

We pray for those who have died. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.

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## *Service Participants*

<b>Vestry Person of the Week</b>	Roy Reynolds
<b>Verger(s)</b>	Frankey Henderson & David Waldron
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Bob & Heather Heaberlin
<b>Acolytes</b>	Adele Bulford (1st); Liam Bulford (2nd); Jack Bulford (Banner); Jaden & Zachary Reynolds (Torchbearers)
<b>Reader(s)</b>	Mary Frances Honea & Elijah Edwards
<b>Prayer Intercessors</b>	Anne & Lou Graner
<b>Ushers</b>	Mike Scott, Mike Gallagher, Chris Howell, Amy Jones, Daryl Jones, Brother Massenburg, Michele Mattera, & Bill Stemberger
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Wendy LeVan & Polly Hopkins
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Patty King

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*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by  
Sarah Huxford & Stephen Camp in memory of Sarah's mother, Vicki Kindt Huxford.*

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## *Parish Notices*

This week's notices are printed separately. You can [click here](#) to access the notices.

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**Year-to-Date Giving Through July 31, 2024**

	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Received</b>
<b>Open-Plate/Non-Pledged</b>	\$ 46,666.67	\$ 56,486.54
<b>Pledged</b>	\$ 272,625.50	\$ 222,472.92

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**CLERGY AND Staff**

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**VESTRY**

**Marianne Lawhead**, Senior Warden; **Tony King**, Junior Warden; **Marge Bass**, Health & Healing; **Anne Graner**, Outreach; **Mary Frances Honea**, Strategic Visioning; **Polly Hopkins**, Formation; **Sarah Huxford**, Stewardship; **Elizabeth Pape**, Parish Life; **Roy Reynolds**, Communications.

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