

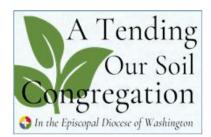
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The Holy Eucharist The Third Sunday of Easter April 23, 2023 – 10:30 AM

Welcome to Transfiguration!

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, know you are welcome here. We hope you will join us for food & fellowship following the service. Know that we are blessed by your being here!

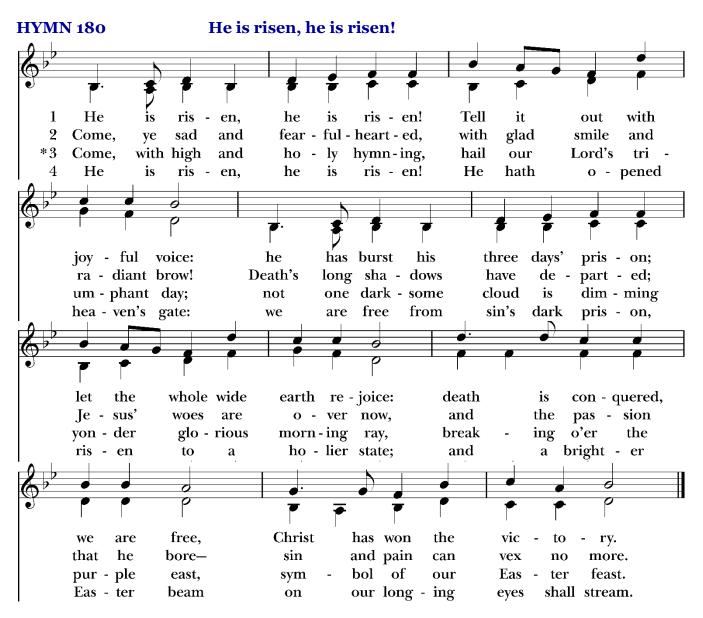
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THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE



THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People	Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Celebrant	O faithful, come on this day of glorious resurrection:
People	Let us drink the wine of the new vineyard,
Celebrant	On this day we bless Christ for ever and ever.
People	Let us drink the wine of joy, of the kingdom of Christ!
Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People	Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!



THE COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant	God be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.
	Lord of the gathering feast, you walk with us on the shadowed road: burn our
	hearts with scripture's open flame; unveil our darkened eyes as bread is torn
	and shared and from the broken fragments bless a people for yourself;
	through Jesus Christ, the host of the world.
People	Amen.

THE FIRST READING Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A reading from the Book of Acts.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.*People* Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17

- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, * because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; * I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: * "O LORD, I pray you, save my life."
- 10 How shall I repay the LORD * for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation * and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD * in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the LORD * is the death of his servants.
- 14 O LORD, I am your servant; * I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving * and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD * in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, * in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING 1 Peter 1:17-23

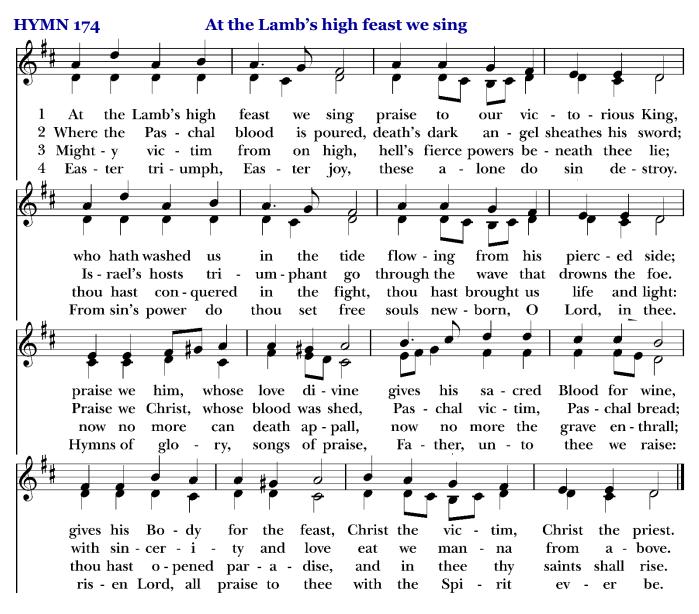
A reading from the First Letter of Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.



THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:13-35

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eves were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Kent Marcoux

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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

The prayer leaders and **People** pray responsively.

How shall we repay the Lord for all the good God has done? Let us offers the prayers of our hearts, saying, "Stay with us, Lord Jesus; and set our hearts on fire."

Lord Jesus Christ, you have ransomed us by your own precious blood. Once again, as a holy community, we place our faith and hope in you.

Silence

Stay with us, Lord Jesus;

And set our hearts on fire.

Save us, O Lord, from corruption. Deliver the nations and peoples from greed and hatred. Place in your children hearts of repentance.

Silence

Stay with us, Lord Jesus;

And set our hearts on fire.

O Lord, you are the giver of good things. We thank you for this planet; we thank you for its gifts. We pray a blessing on the seeds that were sown this spring that the harvest might be bountiful. *Silence*

Stay with us, Lord Jesus;

And set our hearts on fire.

O Lord, you are made known in the breaking of bread. We pray for the hungry. You feed us generously at your table. Help us to generously feed the world.

Silence

Stay with us, Lord Jesus; And set our hearts on fire.

Whenever we call upon you, gracious Lord, hear us. We raise our voices for those for whom we care: those who are ill, those who are struggling, those who are in need of your mercy. *Silence*

Stay with us, Lord Jesus;

And set our hearts on fire.

Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your servants. We trust you with our dead and with our dying. Jesus, be gracious with them, we pray.

Silence

Stay with us, Lord Jesus; And set our hearts on fire.

The Celebrant invites other prayers, then prays a concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The people greet each other with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

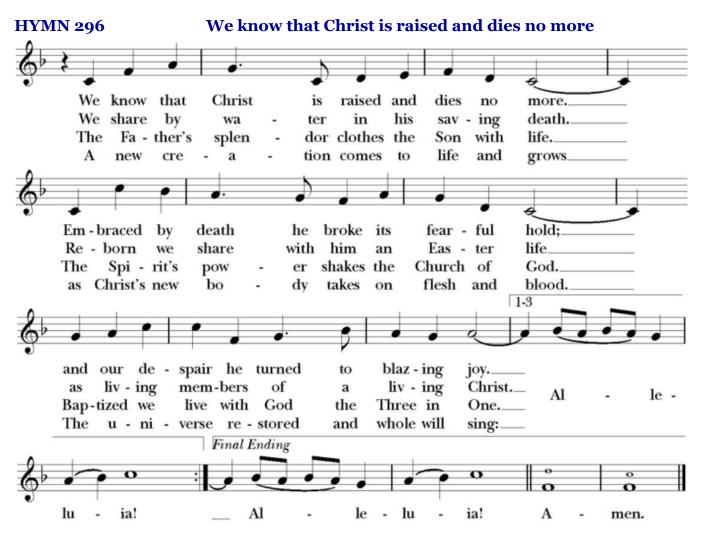
All are invited to make an offering to support our work of sharing God's love in the community and with the world. Online giving is encouraged at the link below.

Transfiguration <u>https://secure.qgiv.com/for/ecott/restriction/</u>



CHOIR ANTHEM

Haile, Haile, Haile



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Spirit of God be with you. **And also with you.** Lift your hearts to heaven **where Christ in glory reigns.** Let us give thanks to God. **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God.

For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin:

God's love is shown to us: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

In the power of endless life Christ is risen from the grave. His death has broken death and opened for us the new and living way. Christ is now our peace, our freedom and our joy.

In your mercy you are now our God. Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. We entrust ourselves to you, for you alone do justice to all people, living and departed.

Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.

Therefore with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and say:

Holy, holy, holy: God of mercy, giver of life; earth and sea and sky and all that lives, declare your presence and your glory.

All glory to you, Giver of life sufficient and full for all creation. Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; 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 all, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, our access to you, Father, and source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will.

Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love. Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

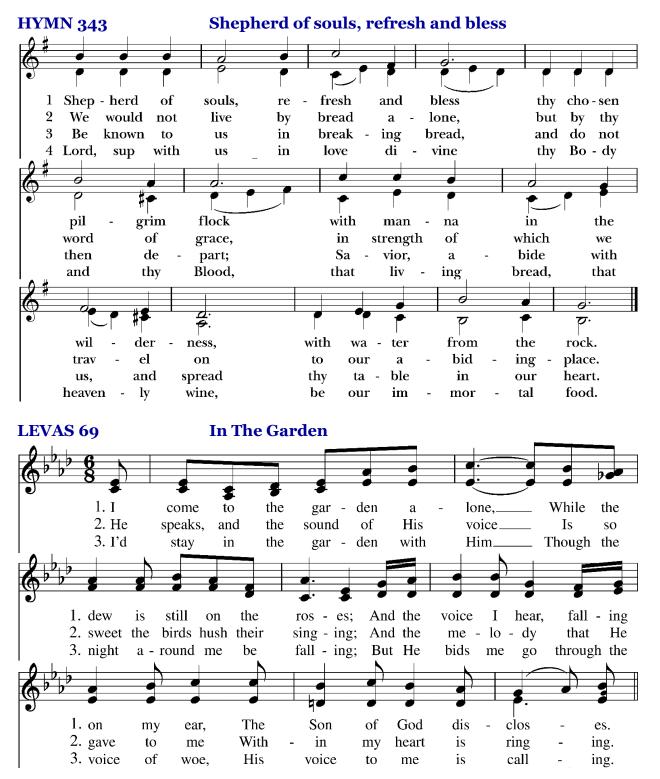
All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

The people will come forward to receive communion packs that they bring back to their seats. After the first communion hymn, the Celebrant invites the communicants to receive the Bread and the Cup with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

The ushers will pick up the used communion containers during the second communion hymn.



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

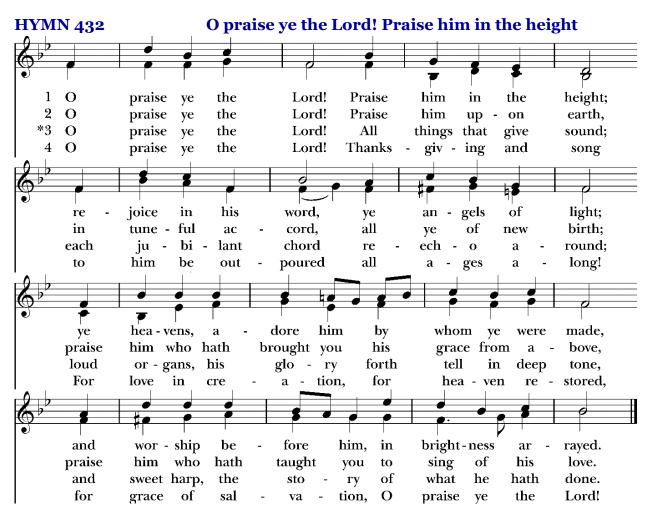
Celebrant Let us pray.

People Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands; the word of life in whom our joy is complete: send us out to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever.

People Amen.



DISMISSAL

Leader Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! People

POSTLUDE

The Holy Eucharist The Third Sunday of Easter April 23, 2023 – 10:30 AM

WORSHIP LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

*	Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Kent Marcoux
*	Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM)	Rik Renich
*	Acolytes	Nkojo Basaija and Karen Facen
*	Reader (First Lesson)	Tom Stevens
*	Reader (Psalm)	Tom Stevens
*	Reader (Second Lesson)	Mark Pankow
*	Director of Music	Elton King
*	Vocalists	Transfiguration Parish Choir
*	Other Lay Ministers	the People of Transfiguration
*	Altar Guild	JJ Boulin & Glynette Livingstone
*	Audio/Visual	Steve van Albert

LEADERS IN MINISTRY AT TRANSFIGURATION

- ✤ Altar Guild
- ✤ Altar Guild Flowers
- ✤ Lectors & LEMs
- Ushers & Audio/Visual
- Choir
- Episcopal Church Women (ECW)
- ✤ The Men's Group (TMG)
- ✤ Vestry & Treasurer

Thank you for joining us today! For more information, please see <u>www.transfig.org</u> or contact the Church Office at <u>church@transfig.org</u> or 301-384-6264 Karen Facen Gail Carter JJ Boulin Steve Van Albert Elton King, Director of Music Kellie Renich, President Craig Carter, President Dave Stoddard & Ladi Grey-Coker, *Wardens* Gail Carter, Cheryl Lee Church, Gordon Linton, Charity Nabakuye, Rik Renich, Tom Stevens, Moses Talyowe, Casey Tesfaye, Martha Wolf; Kathy Berry, *Treasurer*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 23, 2023

TODAY at Transfiguration! – Thank you for joining us for worship today! Please join us downstairs for food & fellowship immediately following the service!

Young people – Our Sunday School classes are meeting today! See below for details!

Nursery Available – The nursery is available for childcare. You may go there directly or ask the ushers for directions. The nursery is downstairs next to the Parish Hall.

Our Prayer List – At this time we are praying for:

Gloria, Emy, Beverly, Ida, Edwin, Tina, Marilyn, Dave, Bankole, John, Kathe, Toni, Rose & Roscoe, Linnet, Arthur, Lloyd, Lucille, Paulette, Karlyn, Ruth, Desmond, Joan, Noel, Olivia, Terri, Bill, Joyce, Ernest, Betty, Jim, John, and Joycelyn

*Please submit prayer requests at <u>transfig.org/prayer-request</u> or call the office at 301-384-6264. Note: the prayer list will be updated every two weeks. If you wish to continue praying for someone, you may submit another request online or call the office for an extension.

This Week at Transfiguration

(new items highlighted) *More info on next page

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	Apr 23 (Sun)	Third Sunday of Easter	THIRD SUN	
		9:00 AM Holy Eucharist – online via Zoom	9:00 AM	
		10:30 AM Holy Eucharist – In person/livestream	10:30 AM	
		12:15 PM Meeting: TMG (The Men's Group)	12:15 PM	
	Apr 26 (Wed)	10:00 AM Morning Prayer & Bible – Library/Zoom	10:00 AM	1
	Apr 27 (Thu)	1:00 PM Meeting: Worship Cte – Library	1:00 PM	
		7:30 PM Choir rehearsal - Community Building	7:30 PM	
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PARISH CALENDAR ONLINE: <u>transfig.org/calendar/</u> Stay up to date by visiting our parish calendar on our website. Contact the church office to submit events for the calendar or with any questions. Thank you for helping us to stay current!

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT TRANSFIGURATION

Our Sunday School is a time of fun, friends, and learning about God's love.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES 6-12 (10:30–11:15 AM)

Youth in <u>grades 6-12</u> are invited to join Sunday School <u>during the 10:30 am</u> <u>service</u>. At 10:30 go directly to your class, which gathers in the Community Building. You will join your family during the Announcements.

Teachers: Casey Tesfaye, David Boyd, Humphrey Magino

SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES K-5 / AGES 3-5 (12:00–12:45 PM)

Youth in <u>grades K-5</u> and <u>ages 3-5</u> are invited to join Sunday School <u>after the</u> <u>10:30 am service</u>. Come down to the Parish Hall – then join your class in the Community Building.

Teacher: Martha Wolf