

The Burning Bush

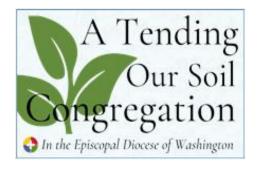
"I have heard their cry...I know their sufferings. So come, I will send you... I will be with you..." (Ex 3:1-12)

# The Holy Eucharist 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost October 2, 2022 – 10:30 AM

## Welcome to Transfiguration!

We are a community of believers, of seekers, and we are delighted to welcome you to Transfiguration!

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## THE WORD OF GOD

#### **PRELUDE**



#### **OPENING SENTENCES**

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

And blessed be God's reign now and for ever American

**People** And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE COLLECT FOR UNITY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth in our nation, to support one another without hatred or bitterness, that, being bonded in love, we may live in unity with you and one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 



#### THE COLLECT FOR THE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Celebrant God be with you. And also with you. People

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of the growing seed,

you reach to the roots of our being and quench our sea-deep thirst: help us to know ourselves

through the eyes of the other who calls us to answer and serve

and, in the end, be filled:

through Jesus Christ, the Master of the Table.

**People** 

The people are seated.

#### Lamentations 1:1-6 THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Lamentations.

How lonely sits the city

that once was full of people!

How like a widow she has become,

she that was great among the nations!

She that was a princess among the provinces

has become a vassal.

She weeps bitterly in the night,

with tears on her cheeks;

among all her lovers

she has no one to comfort her;

all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,

they have become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering

and hard servitude:

she lives now among the nations,

and finds no resting place;

her pursuers have all overtaken her

in the midst of her distress.

The roads to Zion mourn,

for no one comes to the festivals;

all her gates are desolate,

her priests groan;

her young girls grieve,

and her lot is bitter.

Her foes have become the masters.

her enemies prosper,

because the LORD has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe.

From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty.

Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People** Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 137**

- 1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, \* when we remembered you, O Zion.
- 2 As for our harps, we hung them up \* on the trees in the midst of that land.
- 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song, and our oppressors called for mirth: \*
  "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."
- 4 How shall we sing the LORD'S song \* upon an alien soil.
- 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, \* let my right hand forget its skill.
- 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, \* if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.
- 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O LORD, against the people of Edom, \* who said, "Down with it! down with it! even to the ground!"
- 8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, \*
  happy the one who pays you back
  for what you have done to us!
- 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, \* and dashes them against the rock!

#### THE SECOND READING 2 Timothy 1:1-14

A reading from Paul's second letter to Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.



#### THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 17:5-10

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, `Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, `Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, `We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!

Celebrant The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sing a reprise – verse 1 of the Gospel hymn – as the Gospel is carried back to the altar.



*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.* 

#### THE SERMON The Reverend Kent Marcoux

The people stand as they are able for the Nicene Creed.

#### 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

God alone is our help. We lift up our needs and the needs of the whole human family, saying: Let us pray for the whole human family and for the world of which we are a part saying: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God, you are unresting in movement, serene in the stillness, inspiring zeal while counseling patience, calling us from paths that lead to ease and indifference. That washed anew each day by our baptism, we wait for your coming, not hardening our hearts nor forsaking our faith, but vowing dedication in mind and in will and lifting hearts and hands in holy obedience to your will: Lord, in your mercy,

#### Hear, our prayer.

That leaders of all segments of society, government and military, business and industry, all popular and social endeavor, will reject impotent rhetoric and will speak the truth for the honest edification of the kingdom among us: Lord, in your mercy,

#### Hear, our prayer.

That those we criticize and scorn will become our brothers and sisters, and that we make the first step toward reconciliation: Lord, in your mercy,

## Hear, our prayer. For all in any need, especially those we now name: ; Lord, in your mercy, Hear, our prayer. For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, including those we now \_\_\_\_, Lord, in your mercy, Hear, our prayer. Hear our prayers for peace in the world, an end to war, and protection and mercy for those

endangered and displaced by armed conflict; remembering especially this week the people of Ethiopia and Eritrea, Lord, in your mercy,

#### Hear, our prayer.

We remember those who have died, especially those we now name: That the memory of our loved ones and of all the saints will keep us steadily on the path to which you point us: Lord, in your mercy,

#### Hear, our prayer.

We pray for ourselves, for our ministries, and for oth	ers,
especially those we name aloud and in our hearts:	

The Celebrant invites other prayers, then the Celebrant and the **People** pray the concluding collect together.

Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, vour strength in our wills: until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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

All 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 our Savior 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 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

Let peace begin with me,

With ev'ry step I take,

in peace eternally.

let this be the moment now.

let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment

keep you in eternal life. Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you. **People** 

The people greet each other with a sign of God's peace and sing the following hymn.

#### **HYMN** Let there be peace on earth

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me; Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be, With God as creator, brothers and sisters are we, Let us walk with each other

The people are seated.

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. in perfect harmony.

#### **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. Please remember also our 2022 annual giving campaign – We've Come This Far By Faith.

Online giving is encouraged at the link below.

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**CHOIR ANTHEM** 





6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantGod be with you.And also with you.Lift up your hearts.

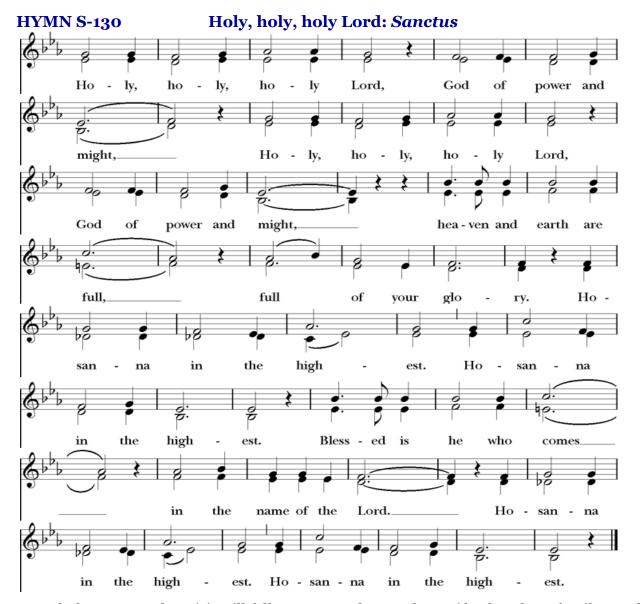
**People**Celebrant
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us adore the Lord our God.

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

Eternal God, in the abundance of your love you have caused all things to be; from dust and spirit you have woven our humanity; in all our wanderings you never cease to call us to fullness of life.

You gave us Jesus, son of Mary, the bread of life broken for the world; he fed us and feasted with us, he healed us and suffered for us; his dying and rising have set us free from the poverty of sin and the famine of death.

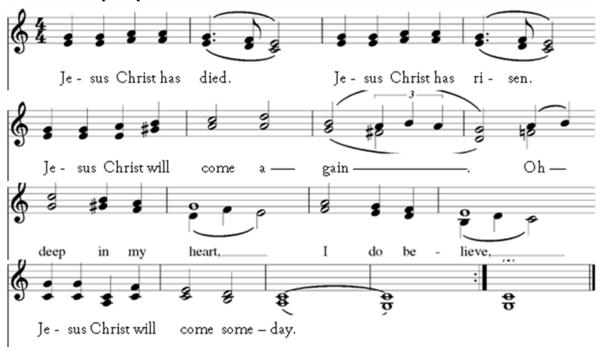
Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished and called, with all who hunger for your kingdom and will not rest until all your children are fed, with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages, we take up the song of your praise:



We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me." In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me." As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith.



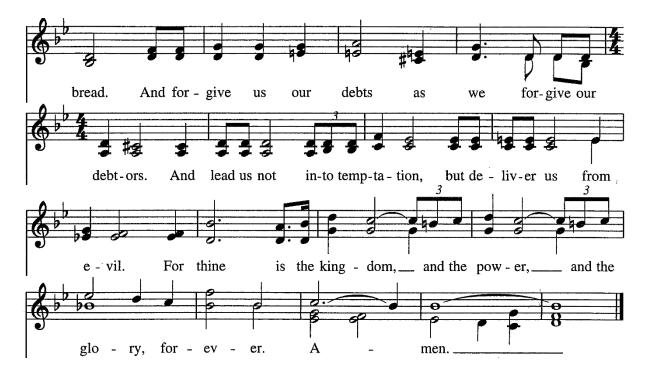
Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever. **AMEN.** 

### LEVAS 264 The Lord's Prayer

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





#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore 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.

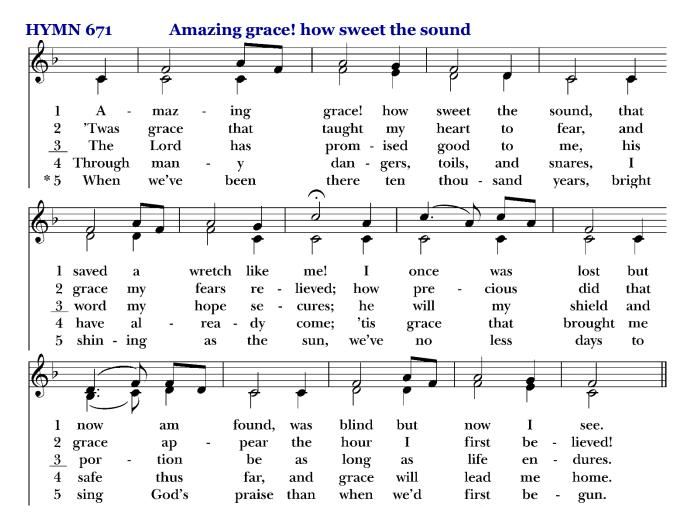
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

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



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*Please stand as you are able to sing the last verse – "When we've been there..."* 



The people stand as they are able.

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

#### People

May we who have fed at Wisdom's table

take her welcome out to where tables are reserved and doors are closed; may the Spirit drive us to break our bread on the altar of the world. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Celebrant

Entrust your life

to the Lord of the open spaces and the time of adventure;

to the life that pulses through rain drenched streets and mountain heights;

to the love that sustains us through feast and famine.

Let God's hope be a clearing sky before you,

a compass in your heart, guiding you to where you belong;

and the blessing of God,

the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer,

be with you now and always.

People Amen.



#### **DISMISSAL**

Leader Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### **POSTLUDE**

# The Holy Eucharist 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost October 2, 2022 – 10:30 AM

#### WORSHIP LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

❖ Celebrant & Preacher The Reverend Kent Marcoux

❖ Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM) Rik Renich

❖ Acolyte Karen Facen

❖ Readers (First Lesson) Gordon Linton

❖ Reader (Psalm) Gordon Linton

Reader (Second Lesson)
 Lesley Gordon

❖ Director of Music Elton King

❖ Vocalists Transfiguration Parish Choir

❖ Other Lay Ministers the People of Transfiguration

❖ Altar Guild JJ Boulin and Ruth Moore

❖ Audio/Visual Steve van Albert

#### **LEADERS IN MINISTRY AT TRANSFIGURATION**

❖ Altar Guild Karen Facen

❖ Altar Guild – Flowers Gail Carter

❖ Lectors & LEMs

JJ Boulin

❖ Ushers❖ Audio/VisualSteve Van AlbertSteve Van Albert

❖ Choir Elton King, Director of Music

Episcopal Church Women (ECW)
 Kellie Renich, President

❖ The Men's Group (TMG)
 Craig Carter, President

❖ Vestry & Treasurer Mary Ellen Flynn & Roger Petzold, *Wardens* 

Gail Carter, Cheryl Lee Church, Tony Kasule,

Gordon Linton, Courtney Livingstone, Rik Renich, Moses Talyowe, Casey Tesfaye,

Martha Wolf; Kathy Berry, Treasurer

## Thank you for joining us in worship today!

For more information, please see <u>www.transfig.org</u> or contact Rev Kent in the Church Office at <u>church@transfig.org</u> or 301-384-6264