

Christ Episcopal Church
Holy Eucharist
The Feast of the Transfiguration
August 6, 2023 10:30 am

If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us this morning. Should this form of worship be unfamiliar, relax and let the assembly carry you. We follow the worship pattern of the Book of Common Prayer beginning on page 355. Hymns and songs are found in Hymnal 1982 (blue book) or printed in this program.

Kindly turn off cellphones for the duration of the liturgy.

Cover art: Donald Jackson and Aidan Hart, "Transfiguration," from *The Saint John's Bible*, 2002, and the mushroom cloud over Hiroshima, Japan, August 6, 1945

The organ music today consists of works by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748), a cousin of J.S. Bach. Walther is best known as a music theorist; he compiled the "Musicalisches Lexicon," a dictionary of music and musicians. As composer he wrote a large collection of organ settings of well known hymn tunes, such as the variations on "Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr" (To God alone on high be glory), as we hear in the Offertory and Communion music. Another part of his compositions are organ transcriptions of orchestral works by other composers of his time, as we hear in the prelude and postlude.

Tolling bells invite us to silence and stillness.

Prelude

“Allegro” (Mvt. 1)
from Concerto in b minor (after Giuseppe Meck)

J. G. Walther

At the tolling of the bell, all rise as able and face the baptismal font.

Processional Hymn

“Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

Hymnal 1982 7

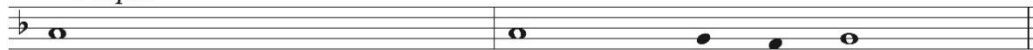
Opening Acclamation

Celebrant



Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People



And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Hymn of Praise




1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you




take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



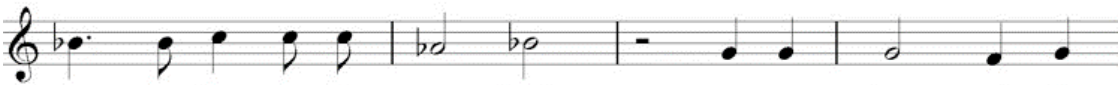
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect

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

Let us pray...

Amen.

The Word of God

All are seated.

The First Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99:5-9

*Assembly sings **bold** printed verses.*



- 5 We proclaim your greatness, O God, and fall down before your footstool; *
you are the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your Name, *
they called upon you, and you answered them.
- 7 **You spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; ***
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.
- 8 **“O Holy God, you answered them indeed; ***
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.”
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of our God, and worship on God’s holy hill, *
for our God is the Holy One.

The Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:13-21
Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence and stillness

All rise as able.

Gospel Acclamation

Sing with choir and then repeat Alleluia after choir sings the verse.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.____

Alleluia. This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him! Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the conclusion of the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.
The Sermon

The Rev. Samuel Torvend

Silence and stillness

All rise as able.
The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer, page 358

The Prayers

Deacon: Let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

The musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves. The top staff is for the Deacon or Cantor, with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, A5, B5, C6, D6, E6, F#6, G6. The bottom staff is for the People (unison or harmony), with a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5. The lyrics 'Lord, in your mer - cy Hear our prayer.' are written below the notes.

Concluding Collect

All kneel or bow as able.

Confession and Forgiveness

The Book of Common Prayer, page 360

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

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.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

You are welcome to offer a word or gesture of peace to your neighbors.

The Holy Communion

All are seated.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

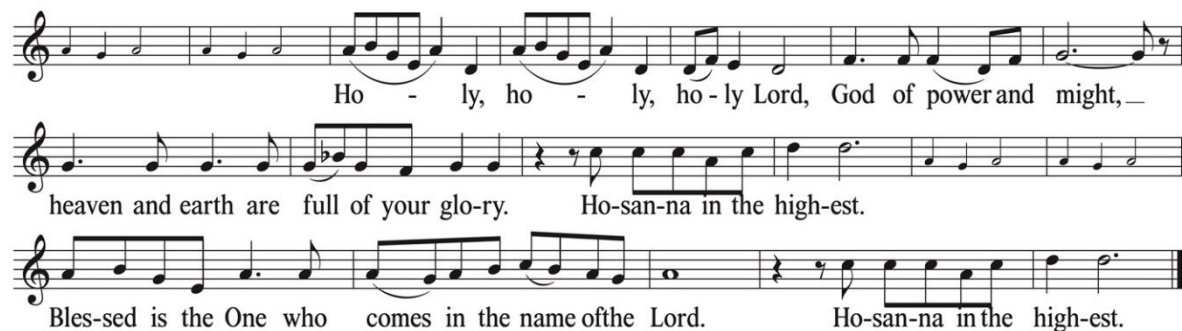
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Offertory Music

“Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr”

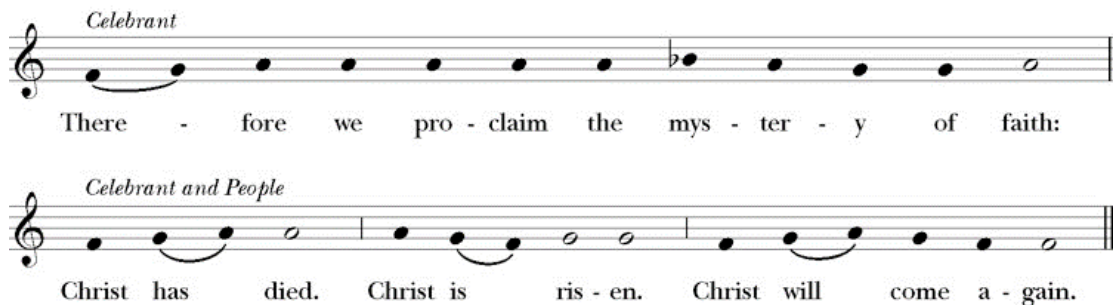
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Sanctus




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, —
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
Bles-sed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Memorial Acclamation



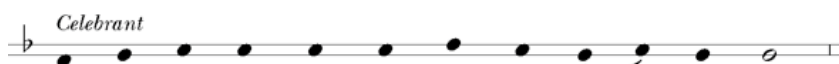
Celebrant
There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:
Celebrant and People
Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Great Doxology



Celebrant *People*
A-men.

The Lord's Prayer



Communion Meditation

As we come to the Holy Eucharist, do we not come for an experience of transfiguration? The same Christ, standing on Mount Tabor and shining with the Presence of God, will soon enter our bodies and souls. If we welcome Christ's Presence within us, He will shine from within us and call us to a fuller, nobler life in which we can give ourselves to the work of transforming violence into peace, inequity into justice, cold-heartedness into forgiveness and love. Let us come to Him now, with joy and gratitude and awe, as if we were standing on that same holy mountain. Let us welcome Him anew into our lives so that we can hear the voice of the Light saying how much we are loved and are, indeed, sons and daughters of the Light.

~ From an ancient sermon, author unknown

All rise as able.

Post Communion Collect

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Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

As the ministers process to the doors, all turn toward the baptismal font.

Recessional Hymn

“O Wondrous Type”

Hymnal 1982 137

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Allegro” (Mvt. 3)

J. G. Walther

from Concerto in b minor (after Giuseppe Meck)

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for the birth of Maya Claire Pierson.*

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