

Saint John's Anglican Church, Ancaster

Order of Service

Sunday Reflections and Prayers of the People

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Transfiguration of the Lord

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *Silence is kept.*

Celebrant Almighty God,
All **on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-
beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us
from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness
from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospeller Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John,
and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he
was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling
white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there
appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with
Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be
here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses,
and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were

terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. *Mark 9: 2-9*

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily/
Reflection The Reverend Canon Richard Dentinger

Hymn # 167 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here *Tune: Carlisle*
Verses 1,3, 5 ~ Sung by St. John's Choristers; Bill & Barbara Van Dyk, Ariel Roger and Dan Prowse.

Prayers of the People

Celebrant Let us pray. *Silence is kept.*

God's glory shows.

Celebrant Let us pray to the God of glory, revealed to us in his Son, Jesus.

Celebrant Father, lengthen and deepen our attention span as we, your people, listen to your beloved Son, so that we do not fail to hear his will for us or share his longing for the world to be saved.

Celebrant Let us worship the Lord:
All **in the beauty of holiness.**

Celebrant Father, with such humility you entered the world to save it through love's giving; increase our desire to enter into one another's suffering and hardship, to share the world's resources fairly with one another, and recognise all humanity as brothers and sisters.

Celebrant Let us worship the Lord:
All **in the beauty of holiness.**

Celebrant Father, let us not take one another for granted, but wake each morning ready to notice the Christ in each person we see and speak to; and reverence your hidden presence in all creation.

Celebrant Let us worship the Lord:
All **in the beauty of holiness.**

Celebrant Father, in our prayer we stand alongside all who are too weak to pray, or too confused; may all who are suffering sense your love and comfort, and be given strength to persevere, and peace of mind and spirit.

Celebrant Let us worship the Lord:
All **in the beauty of holiness.**

Celebrant Father, we commend to your eternal presence those who have recently died, that they may rest in peace and rise in glory.

Celebrant Let us worship the Lord:
All **in the beauty of holiness.**

Celebrant Father, thank you for providing always the encouragement and inspiration we need for the work you would have us do; give us the grace to trust your will for us and walk forward boldly in your company.

Celebrant Merciful Father,
All **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

All **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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

God's Blessing for Epiphany~Tide

Celebrant

May God's peace, strength, and comfort be with you in these days, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and those you love, today and always.

All

Amen.

Dismissal

Leader
People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.