

# August 6, 2023 The Feast of the Transfiguration



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# A SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10AM Welcome.

We are glad that you are here today. We hope that you feel right at home, whether you are a first-timer or an old-timer. Relax; you are among friends. Lift your heart and voice to the God who loves you.

However you found us, and by whatever means you are here, we are delighted to share this Way with you. If you'd like more information about St. Mary's, or would like a call from our clergy, please let us know either in person, or by visiting <a href="www.GodsView.org/connect">www.GodsView.org/connect</a>.

# MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

The ministers of St. Mary's are all the people of St. Mary's.

Preacher: <u>The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez</u>, Associate Rector Celebrant: <u>The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron</u>, Associate Rector

Gospel Reader: The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

Reader: Al Alvarez

Voice of the People: Amy Gruber

**Prayers of the People:** Sherrie Simmonds

Musicians: Luke Honeck, Rachel Morgan, and the St. Mary's Choir

Media Specialists: Seth Eggleston, Nicki Thurwanger, and Jamie Aiden Green

Communion Bread Baker: Laura Hanrahan

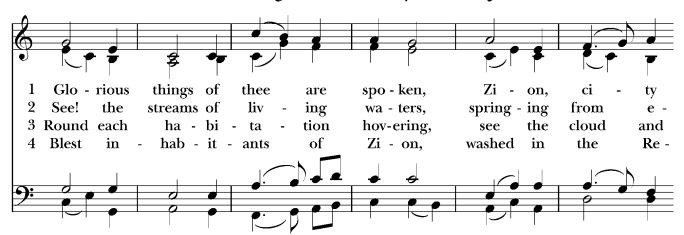
Flowers: Steve / Deb Kennedy, in celebration of Wes Greven's birthday

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

\*OPENING HYMN • Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken • Hymnal #523, v. 1-3





#### \*OPENING SENTENCES

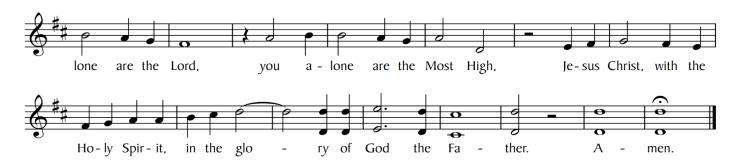
Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Priest 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 Savior. *Amen.* 

#### \*GLORIA WLP 901





# SERVICE OF THE WORD

#### \*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest 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*.

#### FIRST READING • Exodus 34:29-35

Reader A reading from Exodus.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# PSALM 145:8-22 • Braydon Perrupato, cantor • arr. by Luke Honeck

#### **ANTIPHON**



You are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

You are loving to everyone, and your compassion is over all your works.

They make known the glory of your realm and speak of your power,

That the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your dominion.

#### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Yours, O God, is an everlasting reign; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

You are faithful in all your words and merciful in all your deeds.

You uphold all those who fall; you lift up those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O God, and you give them their food in due season.

#### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

You open wide your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

You are near to those who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.
You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;
you hear their cry and help them.
You preserve all those who love you,
but you destroy all the wicked.
My mouth shall speak your praise, O God;
let all flesh bless your holy Name for ever and ever.

#### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

#### SECOND READING • 2 Peter 1:13-21

Reader A reading from second Peter.

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 people moved by the Holy Spirit, spoke from God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# \*GOSPEL HYMN • All Who Hunger Gather Gladly • My Heart Sings Out (MHSO) #52



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\*GOSPEL • Luke 9:28-36

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest 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 Jesus. 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON • The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez

#### AFFIRMING OUR FAITH WLP 769



#### \*THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop; and all bishops and ministers; *For all who serve God in the Church.* 

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, aloud or via chat boxes.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

A Priest says Together, praying,

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.

## A Priest says

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

The Peace is now exchanged

*Priest* The peace of God be always with you.

People Also with you.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of God.

# **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **OFFERING**

Offerings toward the work and ministry of St. Mary's may be made by texting **StMarysAK** to **73256**, or at **GodsView.org**.



Open. Aim. Tap.

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below, Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

#### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### The priest continues

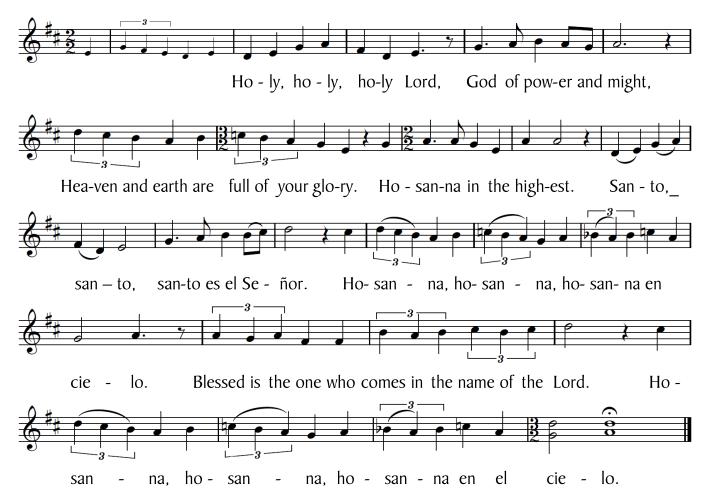
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

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#### **SANCTUS WLP 854**



Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.

You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets

to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take, eat:

This is my Body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.
At the last day, bring us with all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
into the joy of your eternal kingdom.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.** 

*Priest* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in the language of their heart,

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# People and Celebrant,

# **English Version**

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Ukrainian Version**

Отче наш, що єси на небесах! Нехай святиться ім'я Твоє, нехай прийде Царство Твоє, нехай буде воля Твоя, як на небі, так і на землі.

Хліба нашого щоденного дай нам сьогодні і прости нам провини наші, як і ми прощаємо винуватцям нашим, і не введи нас у спокусу, але визволи нас від лукавого.

Бо Твоє є Царство, і сила і слава, Отця, і Сина, і Святого Духа, нині й повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

# ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed.

Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN** • My God Thy Table Now is Spread • Hymnal #321



#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After Communion, a priest says Let us pray.

# God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

#### SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant:	(Name), in th	e name of this	congregation	on, we se	nd you to s	hare our	•
Eucharist	with	May you	ı take the p	rayers of	all of us as	you deli	ver the
sacramen	t of Christ's p	resence.					

ALL: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup! Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.

#### **SOBRIETY**

Bless, O God, your servant in their work or recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.

#### **WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT**

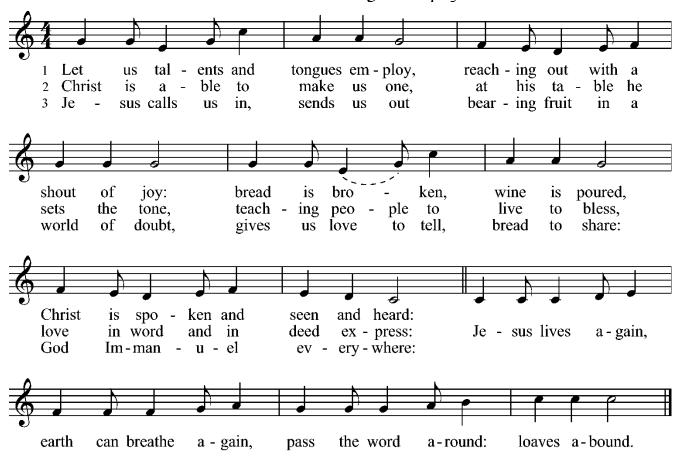
Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant who has enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family; now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **BLESSING SONG**

May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son. And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love\*, be with you all your days.

\*Spirit of Peace [second verse]

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** • Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ • MHSO #50



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#### **DISMISSAL**

A priest says Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE • Let All Things Now Living • by Lloyd Anderson • Rachel Morgan, organ



Those using Zoom are invited to join breakout rooms for conversation and fellowship.



Those on Campus are invited to Waldron Hall for refreshments and conversation.

## TO MAKE A FLOWER DEDICATION OR SIGN-UP TO SPONSOR DONUTS,

please find the white binders in the narthex and fill-in your information. Your name will be included in the bulletin that week. Please indicate in the white binder if you do NOT wish to be mentioned in the bulletin. **Thank you for your gift!** 

# FIREWOOD FOR SALE!

Monday – Friday 9am-5pm St. Mary's Campus \$75 per pickup truck load (to bed level)

# Need firewood? We've got firewood!

Contact the groundskeeping supervisor at (907)799-7273 to arrange a time, then come fill your pickup truck with fuel for campfires, backyard firepits, or this winter's wood stoves!

\* Attendants will be available to help load the wood into your truck.

# **PASTORAL EMERGENCY NUMBER**

Our office phones are being transferred to a new system, and we currently do not have working voicemail at the church office. If you have a pastoral emergency and need to speak with clergy, please call (907)535-1495.

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# Bazaar Workshop

Saturday August 12 – Plate Flower Workshop 10 am-2 pm Waldron Hall

Learn how to make floral garden art from plates and glasses for this year's bazaar!

All materials will be provided.

# Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday August 13 10 am service

Students, teachers, and education workers are invited to bring a backpack or object that represents your work to be blessed for the new school year, which begins Thursday, August 17.



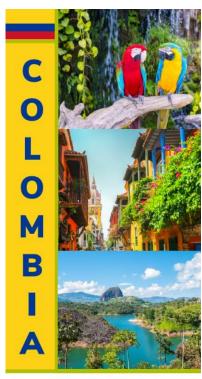


# Thank You!

To everyone who helped plan and prepare, and those that attended and donated to the Colombia Mission Trip Information & Fundraising Dinner – it was a huge success and a lot of fun!

iLas arepas estaban deliciosas!

Interested in going to Colombia?
Email Rev. Israel at
Israel@GodsView.org











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# THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

AUGUST 6-13, 2023 Scan QR code or visit

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## Sunday, August 6 – Transfiguration Sunday

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Chapel

9 am First Sunday Breakfast

Waldron Hall

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

11:30 am Sermon Circle

Cay's Room

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary

# Monday, August 7

7 pm Outreach Team Meeting

Cay's Room & online; ID 899 4865 5771, passcode 192305

## Tuesday, August 8

6:30 pm Spanish Class

Online; register for the link

# Wednesday, August 9

7 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088

6 pm Women's Book Club

Online; ID 864 8947 7980

# Thursday, August 10

7 am Men's Group

Waldron Hall

7 pm Bible Workbench

Online; ID 821 8564 8348

#### Friday, August 11

No scheduled events

#### Saturday, August 12

10 am Bazaar Workshop

Waldron Hall

# Sunday, August 13 – Blessing of the

# **Backpacks**

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

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11:15 am Clare House Meal Prep

Waldron Hall Kitchen

11:30 am Sermon Circle

Cay's Room

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary



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