



# Transfiguration

+ Sunday, February 14, 2021 +

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## Invocation

L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## Psalmody

*Psalm 50:1-6*

L: The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**C: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.**

L: Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.

**C: He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:**

L: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!

**C: Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.**

L: Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.

**C: I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds.**

L: For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

**C: I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.**

L: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

**C: and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."**

**C: Glory be to Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.  
Amen.**

**Hymn**

**#533**

- [1] Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal,  
Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End;  
Godhead, humanity, union supernal,  
O great Redeemer, You come as our friend!  
Heaven and earth, now proclaim this great wonder:  
Jesus has come and brings pleasure eternal!
- [2] Jesus has come! Now see bonds rent asunder!  
Fetters of death now dissolve, disappear.  
See Him burst through with a voice as of thunder!  
He sets us free from our guilt and our fear,  
Lifts us from shame to the place of His honor.  
Jesus has come! Hear the roll of God's thunder!
- [3] Jesus has come as the mighty Redeemer.  
See now the threatening strong one disarmed!  
Jesus breaks down all the walls of death's fortress,  
Brings forth the pris'ners triumphant, unharmed.  
Satan, you wicked one, own now your master!  
Jesus has come! He, the might Redeemer!
- [4] Jesus has come as the King of all glory!  
Heaven and earth, O declare His great pow'r,  
Capturing hearts with the heavenly story.  
Welcome Him now in this fast-fleeting hour!  
Ponder His love! Take the crown He has for you!  
Jesus has come! He, the King of all glory!

## **Old Testament**

## **Exodus 34:29-35**

*When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, 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 talked with them. Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.*

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle**

## **2 Corinthians 3:12-4:6**

*Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of*

*glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.*

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel**

**Mark 9:2-9**

*And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.*

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

#413

[1] O wondrous type! Oh, vision fair  
Of glory that the Church may share,  
Which Christ upon the mountain shows,  
Where brighter than the sun He glows!

[2] With Moses and Elijah nigh  
The incarnate Lord hold converse high;  
And from the cloud the Holy One  
Bears record to the only Son.

[3] With shining face and bright array  
Christ deigns to manifest today  
What glory shall be theirs above  
Who joy in God with perfect love.

[4] And faithful hearts are raised on high  
By this great vision's mystery,  
For which in joyful strains we raise  
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

[5] O Father, with the eternal Son  
And Holy Spirit ever one,  
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace  
To see Thy glory face to face.

**Sermon** (video available [https://youtu.be/mF3YAf\\_tH-Y](https://youtu.be/mF3YAf_tH-Y))

## Apostles' Creed

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin**

**Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**C: 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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Collect**

**L: O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud you foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in his glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**C: Amen.**

### **Blessing**

**L: Let us bless the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.**

**C: Amen.**

## Hymn

#537

- [1] Beautiful Savior,  
King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee,  
Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my Joy, my crown.
- [2] Fair are the meadows,  
Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer;  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- [3] Fair is the sunshine,  
Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.
- [4] Beautiful Savior,  
Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor,  
Praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!