



# A Liturgy of the Word : Transfiguration Sunday

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The full service or the sermon can be viewed on the website.

## Processional Hymn

O worship the King all-glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love:  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of his might and sing of his grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail.  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,  
whom angels delight to worship above!  
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze,  
in true adoration shall sing to your praise!

Robert Grant (1833)

## Opening Prayer

God said, "Let light shine in the darkness!"  
**Lord, shine your light into our lives.**

We see the glory of God in the face of Christ.  
**The light of Christ is with us day by day.**

Let us follow the light of Christ together.  
**Let us worship God with thanks and praise.**



## Introductory Rite

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Praise the Lord:

**Praise God, you servants of the Lord.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessed be God's Name, now and forever.**

## The Gloria

C: Udum' alube A: KuNkulunkulu

C: Udum' alube A: Kweziphezulu

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C: Udum' alube A: Kweziphezulu

C: Kube nokuthula A: Emhlabeni

C: Kube nokuthula A: Ebantwini bonke

C: Nkosi Nkulunkulu A: Nkosi yasezulwini

C: Nkulunkulu Baba A: Baba Somandla

C: Siyakubabaza A: Siyakwazisa

C: Siyakuguqela A: Siyakudumisa

C: Siyakubonga A: Ngenxa yobukhosi

C: Yobukhosi A: Bakh' obukhulu

C: Nkosi Jesu Kristu A: Ndodan' ezelwe yodwa

C: Nkosi Nkulunkulu A: Mvana kaNkulunkulu

C: Ndodan' kaNkulunkulu A: kaNkulunkul' uYise

C: Wena osusa A: Izono zomhlaba

C: Sihawukele A: Sihawukele

C: Sihawukele A: Sihawukele

C: Sihawukele A: Sihawukele

C: Sihawukele A: Sihawukele

C: Amen, A-a-a A: A-a-a-a-amen

C: Amen, A-a-a A: A-a-a-a-a-amen

C: Amen, A-a-a A: A-a-a-a-amen

C: Amen, A-a-a A: A-a-a-a-a-amen



## The Collect for Purity

*Let us pray.*

**Almighty God,**

**to whom all hearts are open,**

**all desires known,**

**and from whom 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 Lord.

*The Kyrie*

Morena, Morena, re hauhele      Lord have mercy  
Morena, Morena, re hauhele  
Morena, Morena, re hauhele

Kriste, Kriste, re hauhele      Christ have mercy  
Kriste, Kriste, re hauhele  
Kriste, Kriste, re hauhele

Morena, Morena, re hauhele      Lord have mercy  
Morena, Morena, re hauhele  
Morena, Morena, re hauhele



*The Penitence*

*Christ the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. In his light let us approach God and confess our sins together.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father**  
**in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**through our own fault**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**and in what we have left undone.**  
**For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord**  
**forgive us all that is past**  
**and grant that we may serve you in newness of life**  
**to the glory of your Name**

*The Absolution*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you:  
pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen  
you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. **Amen.**



## *The Collect*

**Holy God,  
on the mount of Transfiguration  
you revealed your Son as the Christ:  
transform our lives in His image,  
write your law of love on our hearts  
and make us prophets of your shining splendour;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, in glory everlasting.  
Amen**

## *The Word of God*

2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

## *The Gospel Acclamation*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Open our hearts o Lord  
To listen to your words of your Son

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



## *The Gospel Reading*

Mark 9:2-9

## *The Sermon*

by Rev. Allie Joseph

## *Affirmation of Faith*

*Let us declare our faith in God.*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**



I believe 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

### *Prayers of Intercession*

**For the Church:** God of love, we pray for the worldwide Christian Church in all its wonderful diversity. We pray especially for those churches who meet together in difficult and dangerous circumstances and at this time of the Pandemic for all those churches who cannot meet in person but only online. As Parishes in our Diocese return to in-person communal worship today, may they feel your abiding presence to uphold their courage and strengthen our faith. Equip her leaders and inspire each of her members to carry out the ministry of Christ, until his coming again. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

**For our world and its leaders :** Creator God, we pray for your world and its peoples with all their needs, questions and longings. Even as we struggle to understand the complexities behind the Coronavirus; help us to know your love that is shown in the acts of bravery, selflessness and compassion of people of goodwill. We pray for all those tasked with providing medical and community support that they may inspire confidence and hope for a world that is gripped by hopelessness. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

**For Institutions of Learning :** God of power and love, we pray for our schools and institutions of higher learning, for teachers and learners, that they might make use of their individual talents to flourish in order to be witnesses of your wisdom and grace. In a time of increased sadness and anxiety, may we know your supreme comfort, love and protection in the learning environment. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

**For the needs of our community:** Loving God we pray for those in need in our own community, the sick and the dying, the elderly, the housebound and those in care homes, hospitals and hospices and for the work and devotion of those who care for them. We thank you for Carers whose love and compassion bring both material and spiritual comfort at times of need. We raise before you now those from our Parish Community of St Michael, who are in need of healing and comfort. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

**For the bereaved:** Merciful God be close to those who feel the pain of grief at the loss of a loved one whether recent or as each anniversary passes. Help us to support all those who mourn with our prayers, with words of comfort and with practical help as they struggle to come to terms with their loss. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**



Help us during the coming week to live the Good News. Give us the will each day to be beacons of your light and enable us to join the whole company of the redeemed in worshipping, praising and adoring your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

*Blessing of Offering*

Gracious Father, thank you that you give us the gift of abundant life. You have said that you are a Good Father who gives good gifts to his children. Your generosity overflows to us. Everything we have is a gift from you. As we bring our offerings to you, we give back to you from the abundant blessings you have bestowed upon us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God. And may blessing and glory, wisdom and honour, power and strength, be unto you our God, forever and ever. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, **Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

**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 them that 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.**



*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise that, when we were still far off, you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us so we and all your children shall be free and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Final Blessing*

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

May Christ, whose glory fills the skies, fill you with radiance and scatter the darkness from your path. **Amen.**



May Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, gladden your eyes and warm your heart.

**Amen.**

May Christ, the Dayspring from on high, draw near to guide your feet into the way of peace.

**Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

### *The Dismissal*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### *Recessional Hymn*

Rejoice, the Lord is King:  
Your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,  
And triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart,  
Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When He has purged our stains,  
He took his seat above;  
Lift up your heart,  
Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail,  
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus giv'n:  
Lift up your heart,  
Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope!  
Our Lord and judge shall come  
And take His servants up  
To their eternal home:  
Lift up your heart,  
Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!



*Charles Wesley (1744)*



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