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The Order of Service *for Holy Eucharist*



It is good, Lord, to be here.
Matthew 17.4

The Transfiguration of our Lord

Transferred from 6th August

Sunday 7th August 2022 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

The Transfiguration of our Lord

6th August

This morning we celebrate the completely human, completely divine nature of Jesus. We give thanks that He came down to be with us, perfection in our midst.

Do not leave this service booklet behind. Take it home with you to reflect on the prayers and readings and as a reminder of your visit.



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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Little canonic variations on "Jesus bids us shine" Kenneth Leighton (1929 - 1988)
Toccatà & Fugue in F Dieterich Buxtehude, *BuxWV 157* (1637 - 1707)

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Welcome

Introit

Sung by the choir

Open my eyes that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see;
open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

Clara H. Scott (1811 - 1897)

All STAND

Call to Worship

Led by the Presbyter from the West Door

*Presbyter
All*

By the appearance on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ
**God has broken the power of death
and brought life and immortality to light.**
Arise, shine, for your light has come
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For though darkness shall cover the earth
and thick darkness the nations,
the Lord will rise upon you
and his glory will be seen upon you.

All join in singing the hymn.

Hymn at the Procession | # 145

Come, ye faithful

Tune: NEANDER

*Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper in **The Book of Common Prayer** (refer page numbers).*

*The hymns can be found in **Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard**.*

All say together

The Collect for Purity | **page 350**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Transfiguration of our Lord | **page 609**

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | **page 609**

Exodus 24. 12 - 18

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm

99

Sung by the choir to chants by Battishill & Smart

Dominus regnavit

¹ THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient: he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

² The Lord is great in Sion: and high above all people.

³ They shall give thanks unto thy Name: which is great, wonderful, and holy.

⁴ The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity: thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

- ⁵ O magnify the Lord our God: and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.
- ⁶ Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name: these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.
- ⁷ He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar: for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.
- ⁸ Thou heardest them, O Lord our God: thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.
- ⁹ O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill: for the Lord our God is holy.

All STAND *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen.*

Please be seated

The Epistle | **page 609**

I St John 3. 1 - 3

A reading from the First letter of St John.

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All STAND and join in singing

Gradual Hymn | **# 318**

'Tis good, Lord, to be here

Tune: CARLISLE

The Gospel of Christ | **page 610**

St Luke 9. 28 - 35

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
All **And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

All **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

*Remain **STANDING**, all reciting the Creed*

The Nicene Creed | **Page 354**

*Please be **SEATED***

Sermon

The Revd Avinash Rangayya

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*All **STAND***

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace.

Celebrant Christ will transfigure our human body and give it a form like that of his own glorious body.

We are the body of Christ. We share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

Preparation of the Table

At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral.

Thank you for your generosity.

- O VISION blest of heavenly light,
Which meets the three disciples' sight,
When on the holy mount they see
Their Lord's transfigured majesty.**
- ² More bright than day his raiment shone;
The Father's voice proclaimed the Son
Belov'd before the worlds were made,
For us in mortal flesh arrayed.**
- ³ And with him there on either hand
Lo, Moses and Elijah stand,
To show how Christ, to those who see,
Fulfils both law and prophecy.**
- ⁴ O Light from light, by love inclined,
Jesu, redeemer of mankind,
Accept thy people's prayer and praise
Which on the mount to thee they raise.**
- ⁵ Be with us, Lord, as we descend
To walk with thee to journey's end,
That through thy cross we too may rise,
And share thy triumph in the skies.**
- ⁶ To thee, O Father; Christ, to thee,
Let praise and endless glory be,
Whom with the Spirit we adore,
One Lord, one God, for evermore. Amen.**

Words: G. B. Timms (1910—1997)

Tune: WAREHAM # 162

All say

Offertory Prayer | **page 357**

Please be seated

**Fill me with the knowledge
of Thy glorious will;
all Thine own good pleasure
in Thy child fulfil.**

Words: Emily Crawford (1864 - 1927)

Tune: QUIETUDE
Harold Green (1871 - 1931)

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.
Lord of glory, it is good that we are here.
In peace we make our prayer to you.
In trust we confirm our faith in you.
Help us to set our faces steadfastly
to where you would have us go. Lord, look with favour.

All

Lord, transfigure and heal.
Lord of glory, look with favour on your Church,
proclaiming your beloved Son to the world
and listening to the promptings of his Spirit.
May she be renewed in holiness
that she may reflect your glory. Lord, look with favour.
Lord, transfigure and heal.
Lord of glory, look with favour on the nations of the world,
scarred by hatred, strife and war.
May they be healed by the touch of your hand.
Lord, look with favour.
Lord, transfigure and heal.
Lord of glory, look with favour on those in need and
distress, suffering as your Son has suffered
and waiting for the salvation you promise.
May the day break and Christ the Morning Star bring them
the light of his presence. Lord, look with favour.
Lord, transfigure and heal.

Lord of glory,
it is good if we suffer with you
so that we shall be glorified with you.
According to your promise bring all Christ's brothers and sisters
to see him with their own eyes in majesty
and to be changed into his likeness from glory to glory.
To him be praise, dominion and worship now and for all eternity.
Amen.

The Preparation for Communion | *page 361*

The Consecration | *page 363*

The Communion | *page 368*

While seated, we sing

Hymn at the Communion | **# 278**

Hands that have been handling

Tune: NORTH COATES # 248

The Thanksgiving | *page 371*

All STAND and sing

Gloria in Excelsis | *page 371*

The Blessing

The Presbyter

Holy God, Almighty and immortal,
you are beyond our knowing,
yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ,
whose compassion illumines the world.
Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ,
who renewed our humanity
so that we may share in his divinity,
the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who live and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

All join in singing

Hymn at the Closing | # 346

Christ is the world's true light

Tune: NUN DANKET # 205

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Grand Chœur

Théodore Salomé (1834 - 1896)

Birthdays this week

"For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways."
Psalms 91. 11

Johnson Isaac (7), Rohini Christie (8), Vaibhav Salvi (10),
P. V. George (11),

Notices

- The **Annual General Body Meeting of St Thomas' Cathedral (CNI)** will be held this morning soon after the 8.45 am service. The agenda and final voters' list is displayed on the notice board.
- A **Bible quiz** will be conducted by the *Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS)* on Sunday 28th August 2022 at 10:45 am. The quiz will be based on the Gospel of St Luke. Approach the Presbyter if you would like to participate.
- Please take your copy of this service bulletin home with you.

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** We give thanks for sporting events like the *Commonwealth Games* which bring nations together. Pray for all participants as the games for this year come to a close tomorrow.

† **OUR COUNTRY** As we approach Independence Day, let us give thanks to God for our freedom fighters who got us our freedom. May we never take for granted the liberties we enjoy. Pray for all whose decisions affects the lives of many.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** As the *Lambeth Conference* draws to a close tomorrow, we give thanks to God for this platform which brings church leaders of the *Anglican Communion* together to pray, interact and engage in dialogue and discussion.

• The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and the Most Revd Justin Badi Arama.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** The Diocese of Delhi and for the election of their bishop • The Diocese of Kollam-Kottarakara and the Rt Revd Oommen George.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** Pray for the representatives of the Synod and the Diocese as they work at resolving the current situation in the Diocese. May the Holy Spirit guide all decisions taken. • St Stephen's Church, Bandra and the Revd Thomas Jacob.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For God's healing hand on Mrs. Rajathi Moses who underwent surgery last week. • May God's comforting presence be with all senior citizens who live alone. May we be caring neighbours to them. • Pray for the annual general body meeting of the Cathedral later this morning, for the Presbyter, office bearers and all the faithful. May the Holy Spirit guide all proceedings.

Snippets from the Visitors' Book.....

The church is very peaceful. There was a choir practice going on and my heart really needed it today. It was really beautiful.

Thank you for this experience.

Bhavya
23rd July 2022

CLARE of ASSISI (July 16, 1194 – August 11, 1253): was one of the first followers of Saint Francis of Assisi. She founded the *Order of Poor Ladies*, a monastic religious order for women in the Franciscan tradition, and wrote their *Rule of Life*.

Clare was always devoted to prayer as a child. When she was 18 she had heard Francis preaching. This had a huge impact on her. He told her she was a chosen soul from God.

Clare was put in the convent of the Benedictine nuns near Bastia. Clare and her sister, Agnes, soon moved to the church of San Damiano, which Francis himself had rebuilt. Other women joined them there. They adopted a rule of life of extreme austerity and of absolute poverty, both individually and collectively. They had no beds. They slept on twigs with patched hemp for blankets. Wind and rain seeped through cracks in the ceilings. They ate very little, with no meat at all. Whatever they ate was food they begged for. Clare made sure she fasted more than anyone else. The women were at first known as the "Poor Ladies".

Clare sought to imitate Francis' virtues and way of life so much so that she was sometimes titled *alter Franciscus*, another Francis. She also played a significant role in encouraging and aiding Francis, whom she saw as a spiritual father figure, and she took care of him during his illnesses at the end of his life, until his death in 1226. After Francis's death, Clare continued to promote the growth of her order, writing letters to abbesses in other parts of Europe.

The community of 'Poor Clares' continues to this day, both in the Roman Catholic Church and in the Anglican communion.

O God,
whose blessed Son became poor
that we through His poverty might be rich:
*Deliver us, we pray thee, from an inordinate love of this world, that,
inspired by the devotion of Thy servant, Clare,
we may serve Thee with singleness of heart,
and attain to the riches of the age to come;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with Thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. Amen.*

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