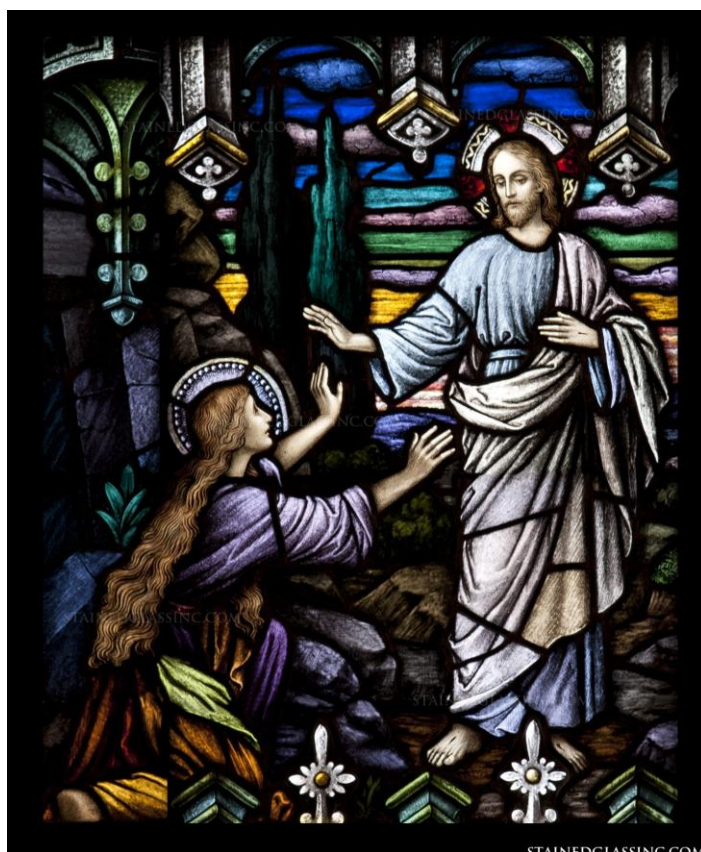


The Church of The Transfiguration

Rooted in Christ ~ Bound in Love ~ Called to Ministry

April 4th, 2021; 10:00 AM

Easter Sunday



*“She turned and said to him in Hebrew,
‘Rabbouni’ (which means Teacher).” — John 20:16*

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration

6909 Maryland Avenue . Braddock Heights . Maryland 21714

Easter Sunday
April 4th, 2021; 10:00 AM
** Please stand if you are able*

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Prelude

“Fanfare”

Ameigh

The Word of God

Call to Worship

* Opening Hymn

"Sound the Trumpet"

Peterson

incorporating "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

* Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: 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 Lord. **Amen.**

* Collect for Easter Sunday

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you**

Celebrant: Let us pray. Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Isaiah 25:6-9

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so
that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Reader: The Psalm is said responsively breaking at the asterisk.

1

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

2

Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."

14

The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15

There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

16

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17

I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.

18

The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

19

Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20

"This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."

21

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

22

The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

23

This is the LORD'S doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24

On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Second Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ-- he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

* Sequence Hymn

"Woman, Weeping in the Garden"

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Woman, weeping in the garden,
who has pushed the stone aside?
Who has taken Jesus' body,
Jesus Christ the crucified?

Woman, waiting in the garden,
after men have come and gone,
after angels give their witness,
silently you watch the dawn.

Woman, walking in the garden,
Jesus takes you by surprise;
when the gardener calls you, "Mary!"
faith and joy meet in your eyes.

Woman, weeping in the garden,
weep for joy, for you have seen
Jesus, the Messiah, risen;
Christ, of whom the prophets dream.

Woman, dancing from the garden,
find the others and proclaim
Christ is risen as he promised;
tell the world he knew your name!

* The Gospel –

John 20:1-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, According to John
All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Fr. Gordon

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant: Dear friends, through the Paschal mystery we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: **I do.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **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.**

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. All: **Amen.**

* The Prayers of the People: Form III

The people may stand, sit or kneel as Leader and People pray responsively...

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others (*Please pray for those on our prayer lists [Barbara Stephens, Emily Stetler, Hamp Tisdale], those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week [Kelly Evans], and those in the Armed Forces*). And we send greetings of love and peace to our companion parish, The Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Bradoc, Cornwall, United Kingdom; we pray to you, O Lord. *Silence*

Silence

Closing Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Rite of Farewell

Antiphon

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Celebrant: The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in.

All: From this time forth for evermore.

Let us pray. (*Silence*)

O God, you grant to your servants who seek through music the skill to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth: We give thanks for the many gifts that our sister and friend Truuke has shared with this Parish as Organist and Music Minister over these past years. As she takes her leave of us, we ask for her your protection, guidance and blessing. May her new home and new horizons be a source of joy and fulfillment; and may she ever feel the love of this Church that goes with her; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Truuke, I now bless you on your new journey, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. And I ask that you accept these gifts as tokens of our gratitude and esteem.

* The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always

People: **And also with you.**

Birthdays and Anniversaries - All those celebrating a birthday or an anniversary this week may come to the front of the church at this time for a special prayer and blessing.

Announcements regarding the life of the congregation

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

“All Earth Rejoice with a Gladsome Voice”

Rick & Jackie Galliher, Duet

Vivaldi

* Presentation of our Gifts & Doxology

(Spoken)

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

* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer D

The People Remain Standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

* Sanctus (*All say*)

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn

"Now the Green Blade Riseth"

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Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
thinking that never he would wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green,

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
thy touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Those worshipping at home may commune at this time.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing *(All stand)*

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

* Closing Hymn

“Welcome, Happy Morning!” Age to Age Shall Say”

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"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say:
hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!
Lo! the Dead is living, God for evermore!
Him their true Creator, all his works adore!

Refrain:

"Welcome, happy morning!" age to age shall say.

Maker and Redeemer, life and health of all,
thou from heaven beholding human nature's fall,
of the Father's Godhead true and only Son,
mankind to deliver, manhood didst put on. **(Refrain)**

Thou, of life the Author, death didst undergo,
tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show;
come then, true and faithful, now fulfill thy word,
'tis thine own third morning! rise, O buried Lord! **(Refrain)**

Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain:
all that now is fallen raise to life again;
show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see;
bring again our daylight: day returns with thee! **(Refrain)**

* Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

"Toccata"

Ameigh

The Easter Flowers that decorate our church are given

To the Glory of God in Loving Memory of:

- Elizabeth O. De La Vars & Gordon L. De La Vars, and Edward Sylvester Turner by the Rev. Gordon J. De La Vars & Rev. Kim Baker
- Jeannine Salmon and Peter Salmon by Dick Salmon+
- Fred Wallace, Paul Kindle, and Harold Stemple by Ruth Wallace
- Talbert Williams, Deb Hillringhouse, Carl Hillringhouse, Laurie Hillringhouse by Bill & Betsy Hillringhouse
- Mark Nylec by Jim & Judy Hubbard
- Claudine & Ted Wirths, Tom Roetzel, Gladys Dobson, and Jana Kelly by Sue Wirths
- Caroline Bradley, my mother, by Kathleen Bradley
- Pam Kolbe, my neighbor, by Kathleen Bradley
- George Ward by Eileen Ward and Family

To the Glory of God in Thanksgiving for:

- Our family by Jim & Judy Hubbard
- Duncan Coker and Bill Wilson by the Coker & Wilson families
- Family and Friends by Robin Rolph

The Paschal Candle is given to Glory of God and in Memory of Ivan and Claire Burrell by Marsha Burrell and family.

Today's Ministers

Celebrant	Fr. Gordon De La Vars
Co-Celebrant	Rev. Ellen Hurwitz
Lectors	Luke Krizenesky Thomas, St. Mary's, Cornwall
LEM	Martha Bonwitt
Usher	Hamp Tisdale
Soloists	Rick & Jackie Galliher
Technician	Scott Myers
Altar Guild	Cindy Staup
Flower Guild	Ruth Wallace

A Prayer for Those Affected by the Coronavirus

O God of compassion, giver of life and health, we pray your healing mercies upon all who are in any way affected by the outbreak of the COVID-19 coronavirus. Comfort and sustain those who have been stricken; relieve their pain, and restore to them your gifts of gladness and strength. Grant to all in authority the courage to make wise decisions that are essential for the common good, and strengthen them to lead institutions that care for those whom they serve. Protect those who are compelled to work farms and fields, city streets and factories, that put them in danger with little pay. Watch over all first responders and those in the medical professions whose duty it is to care for the sick; guard them from all danger, and keep them safe in the knowledge that is through their sacrifice and service that the health of the whole community is promoted. Mercifully accept these our prayers, O God of all comfort, and our only help in time of need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parish Prayer Lists

Diocese of Maryland

St John's, Kingsville; St Mary's, Abingdon; Resurrection, Copley Parish; Megan E. Stewart-Sicking; Joseph A. Stewart-Sicking; Allston A. Jacobs

April Prayers for Body, Mind & Spirit

David Powell, Pamela Jackson, John Wall, Ray & Faye Grimes, John Rolph, John Wisor, Mark Glagola, Joanne Dupui, Betty Hedges, Barbara Stephens, Toni Beard-Wilson, Donna Hanson, Mary Belcher, Kimberly & Jordan Beckler, Jonathan & Katie Ross, Pearl O'Hara, Dorothy Beard, Savannah Bryant Ross, Marsha Burrell, Sherri Luttrell, Dale Sanders, Stuart Delchamps, Bob Dixon, Georgie Shane, Marilyn Roche, Dajalee Hilton, Joe Loetell, Ruth Ann Randall, Sheila Anzalone, Lorrunda Sewell, Jerry Kursban, Rev. Michael Adams, Analia Lutz & Family, Sally Ashley, Beverly Johnson, Gail Koglmeier, Robin & Greg Rugie, Steve, Ian Tisdale, Derek Chapman, Kristin LaRocca, Michelle Dickson, Geoff Barry, James Byun, Bett Williams, Andrea Davis, Linda Lewis, Mia Webdell, Brenda Hoffman, Valerie Webdell, Melvin Smith, Joey Jackson, Georgiann Ammon, Ethan and Judy Roberts, Seth Roberts, Meghan Roberts, Andrea Shears, Steve Hess, Karen Hess, Roy Reuter, Cheryl Jackson, Timothy Myers, Sandy Reagan, Jim Wonderly

Weekly Parish Cycle of Prayer

Barbara Stephens, Emily Stetler, Hamp Tisdale

Prayers for Returning Health and Healing

Christine Burnett, Linda Myers, Cynthia Sakshaug, Helen Glagola, Al Peden, Barbara Stephens, Craig Zearfoss, George Roberts, Katherine Aaslestad, Paul Dumont. Stephen Nelson, Bridgette Hubbard, Kathleen Moss, James Belcher, Jr., George Wheehler, Tracy Skaggs, The Rev. Ellen Hurwitz+, Rowan Evans, Debbie Knipe, Luke Krizenesky, Kiley & Olivia Staffieri, Roselynn Malarek, Katherine Pearce

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kelly Evans

Serving in the Armed Forces

Nicholas Berry, Gabriel Affandy, Stacey Groth, Ed Groth, Erik Masick, Seth Green, Cade McCarty, Johnny Russell, Scott Orton, Kurtis Bickett, The Rev. Sean Wead, J. Andrew & Alyssa M. Hinkle, Christian Lewis, Antonio Ventura, Patrick Furini, Izaiah Weaver, Cooper Hampton, Dylan Boyd, Garrett Hutchison, Connor Hosier

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be sure to livestream the Diocesan service at the Cathedral, beginning at 11 AM this morning. You may go to the Diocesan webpage for links and instructions.

Our Young Lector

We are pleased to have, as one of our Liturgical Ministers today, Thomas, a member of St. Mary's Bradoc, Cornwall! He was also part of our combined Lessons and Carols service at Christmastime. Thank you for your ministry!!

Church Office

The church office will be closed on Monday and will reopen Tuesday morning at 10 AM.

A Note from the Treasurer

The ushers will not be collecting the Offertory Gifts at this time. So please place your Gifts in the box in the Narthex.

Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer resumes in the church Monday through Thursday, beginning at 9AM (Plans are also being considered for a Zoom option.)

Get your day off to a good spiritual start with celebration of the Daily Office!

Upcoming MACS Events

A MACS events (on Zoom) is coming up:

- Kerry Wixted, DNR, talking about "Wildscaping with Native Plants" (April 18 at 7 PM).

Registration is required for these free online events (filling up fast): Go to EnvisionFrederickCounty.org and look at the right-hand panel of upcoming events.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Middletown Food Bank

The Middletown Bank is in desperate need of funds to purchase items to help offset the shortage of normally donated goods during this pandemic. For those wanting to donate, please make checks out to the Middletown Food Bank, and they can be sent to **their new address**

Middletown Food Bank
107 W. Main Street
Middletown, MD 21769

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Fond Farwell

*“Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always
Alleluia!” — Hymn #420*

My Dear Friends in Christ,

It's with sadness but with deep gratitude that I announce the retirement of our Organist and Minister of Music, Truuke Ameigh. After almost twelve years serving at Transfiguration, Truuke is moving to Beaumont, California (near Santa Barbara) to be closer to her family and enjoy a warmer, sunnier climate! Her last Sunday with us will be Easter.

In her letter announcing her departure, Truuke expressed her gratitude to us as well . “I want you to know that my time at Transfiguration has been the most fulfilling of all my church jobs. The people are wonderful, the staff is great, and the choir is amazing. I will miss my connection with this church more than any other part of my Frederick experience.” I can assure her she is held in the same high regard by each member of the congregation. We will all miss her very much.

But as one of her parting gifts, Truuke assisted us in calling Santana Bartoldus as our new Director of Music. Santana, who will begin her ministry following Easter, brings a rich musical background and training, along with many resources, to the position. Truuke wanted to be sure we were left in good hands!

I'm hoping that by Easter Sunday we will have the opportunity of welcoming more parishioners for regathering, and thus have the chance (along with those joining us online) to express our thanks to Truuke at the morning Eucharist. I do want us to say a proper good-bye!

Please pray for safe travels and a wonderful new life for our good and faithful friend!

Many Blessings,
Fr. Gordon +

The Church of the Transfiguration

The Reverend Dr. Gordon Williams De La Vars, Rector
The Reverend Ellen Hurwitz, Priest Associate
Ms. Truuke Ameigh, Minister of Music
Ms. Jackie Galliher, Choir Director

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. Adult Christian Education
10:15 A.M. Holy Eucharist with Music
11:30 A.M. Hospitality

Prayers for Healing and Anointing
Follow each service on the 1st Sunday of the month

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Mon-Thurs @ 9:00 A.M. Morning Prayer

Office Hours

Mon-Fri 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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