

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 catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*catholic' here meaning 'universal

## God receives our offering

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WE SING A HYMN/SONG AS OUR OFFERING IS RECEIVED

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WE PRAY AN OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Our great and glorious God, we thank you for sending your dear Son Jesus. Teach us to follow his example of self-giving service, and to offer ourselves and all we have in love to you and to others. Amen.**

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WE PRAY FOR OURSELVES AND THE WORLD

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WE PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## God blesses us

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WE GO WITH GOD

Let us praise the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

God the Father show you the light of his glory in the face of his Son, so that you may be a light to the world;

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

**Amen.**

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WE SING A HYMN/SONG

# Transfiguration

## Sunday Word and Prayer

## God welcomes us

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WE SING A GATHERING HYMN/SONG

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WE COME TO GOD

From the cloud, a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved;

**with him I am well pleased; listen to him!**' (Matt 17:5 NRSV)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

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WE CONFESS OUR SIN AND GOD FORGIVES US

Friends in Christ:

Jesus says: I have come as light into the world, so that everyone who believes in me should not remain in the darkness. So let us confess our sins to God our Father and ask him to forgive us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, I call to you for help.

**In the morning I pray to you.** (Psalm 88:13)

I am filled with praise for you,

**and proclaim your glory all day long.** (Psalm 71:8)

Close your eyes to my sins,

**and wipe away all my evil.**

Create a pure heart in me, O God,

**and put a new and loyal spirit within me.**

Do not banish me from your presence;

**do not take your Holy Spirit away from me.**

Give me the joy that comes from your salvation,

**and make me eager to please you.** (Psalm 51:9-12)

Be gracious, Lord, this day,

**and keep us free from sin.**

Have mercy on us, Lord;

**have mercy on us.**

Let your goodness and love be with us,  
**as we put our hope in you.** (Psalm 33:22)  
Listen to my prayer, Lord,  
**and hear my cry for help.** (Psalm 86:6)  
No one who takes refuge in the Lord will be condemned.  
He hears our cry and forgives us.  
**Amen.**

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WE SING A TRANSFIGURATION HYMN/SONG

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WE PRAY PSALM 2

"I have set my king : on Zion, my holy hill."  
I will tell of the decree of the Lord :  
He said to me, "You are my son; today I have begotten you.

**You are my Son: today I have begotten you.**

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.  
You shall break them with a rod of iron,  
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

**You are my Son: today I have begotten you.**

Now therefore, O kings, be wise : be warned, O rulers of the earth.  
Serve the Lord with fear, with trembling kiss his feet,  
or he will be angry, and you will perish in the way;  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Happy are all who take refuge in him.

**You are my Son: today I have begotten you.**

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WE PRAY A TRANSFIGURATION PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray that we become like Christ.  
Almighty and loving God, we thank you for revealing your Son Jesus in  
glory before he suffered and died. Give us faith to recognise him as your  
dear Son, and strengthen us to suffer with him, until we come to share his  
glory. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

## God speaks to us

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

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OLD TESTAMENT READING: EXODUS 24:12-18

Hear the word of the Lord as it is written in Exodus, chapter 24,  
verses 12 to 18.

*(after the reading)*

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

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EPISTLE READING: 2 PETER 1:16-21

Hear the word of the Lord as it is written in the second letter of St Peter,  
chapter 1, verses 16 to 21.

*(after the reading)*

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Alleluia! 'This is my Son, the Beloved;

**with him I am well pleased; listen to him! Alleluia!**

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GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 17:1-9

Hear the gospel of the Lord as it is written in the Gospel according to St.  
Matthew, chapter 17, verses 1 to 9.

*(after the gospel)*

This is the gospel of the Lord

**Praise be to you, O Christ, light of the world.**

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for revealing your glory as God's Son.

Lead us to follow you in faith.

**Amen.**

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WE SING A HYMN/SONG

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WE LISTEN TO THE ADDRESS

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

**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, dead, and buried. He descended into hell.**