

The Chapel *of*
The Transfiguration

Sung Eucharist

The Feast *of*
The Transfiguration
of Our Lord

Thursday 6th August 2026
7.30 am

About This Service

Welcome to the Chapel of the Transfiguration and to this special Sung Eucharist celebrating the Feast of the Chapel.

Today, we recall the moment on the mountaintop when Jesus was transfigured in glory before Peter, James, and John. His face shone like the sun and his clothes became dazzling white, revealing his divine nature and pointing toward his resurrection. From the cloud came a voice declaring, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him.” This feast invites us to reflect on the glory of Christ—not only revealed on the mountaintop, but also in the mystery of the Eucharist, in the life of the Church, and in the transformation of our own lives by God’s grace.

Please ensure that all mobile phones are on their silent setting.

Please refrain from video recording or taking photographs of any parts of the service.

Music before the Service

Prelude from ‘Te Deum’	Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643–1704)
Prelude on ‘Schmücke Dich’ (<i>Deck thyself my soul with gladness</i>)	Johannes Brahms (1833–97)
Reverie on ‘Blaenwern’ (<i>God is here</i>)	June Nixon (b.1942)

Order of Service

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

If you are unable to stand at any point during the service, please feel free to remain seated

Remain seated as the Choir enters and takes their place

The Choir sings

Introit

during which the Servers and Clergy enter and move to the Sanctuary

WE wait for thy loving kindness, O God:
In the midst of thy temple. Alleluia.

O God, according to thy name,

So is thy praise unto the world's end:

Thy right hand is full of righteousness. Alleluia.

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God:

In the midst of thy temple.

O Lord send us now prosperity. Amen.

Words: Psalm 48.8-9

Selected by the Rev'd. C.M. Armitage

Music: William McKie (1901–84)

The Chaplain sings

Let us proceed in peace

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Processional Hymn



AT the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the Angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.

Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

Congregation only

**Name him, brothers, name him,
With love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder,
And with bated breath;
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.**

**In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
Crown him as your captain
In temptation's hour;
Let his will enfold you
In its light and power.**

**Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With his Father's glory,
With his Angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of Glory now.**

Words: Caroline M. Noel (1817–77)

Tune: EVELYNS
William Monk (1823–89)

Remain standing. The Chaplain continues

The Greeting

IN the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Alleluia! Christ is the Lord of glory
O come let us worship, Alleluia!**

“Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.”

Isaiah 60.1

Blessed be God

Blessed be God’s reign for ever. Amen.

All kneel and the Leader continues

Prayer of Preparation

ALMIGHTY God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
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.

Prayers of Penitence

WHEN Christ appears we shall be like him, because we shall see
him as he is. As he is pure, all who have grasped this hope make
themselves pure. So let us confess our sins that mar his image in us.

Silence is kept

MOST merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly,
love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

The Choir sings

KYRIE Eleison
Christe Eleison
Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us

The Celebrant gives the Absolution

MAY the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

All stand to sing

Gloria

GLORY be to God on high,
and in earth peace,
good will towards men,
We praise thee we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord:
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Silence is kept

The Leader continues

The Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit

Let us pray.

All kneel or sit

OFATHER in heaven,
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,
and spake of the exodus which he should accomplish at Jerusalem:
Grant us grace so to hear his voice, and faithfully to bear our cross,
that in the world to come we may behold him as he is;
through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth
with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God,
world without end.

Amen.

All sit

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

AS I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Daniel 7. 9, 10, 13, 14

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient •
he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.
The Lord is great in Sion •
and high above all people.
They shall give thanks unto thy Name •
which is great, wonderful, and holy.
The king's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity •
thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.
O magnify the Lord our God •
and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.
Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among such as call upon his Name •
these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.
He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar •
for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.
Thou heardest them, O Lord our God •
thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.
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 Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be •
world without end. Amen.

Chant: James Turle (1802–82)

All sit

New Testament Reading

FOR we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed.

You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place,
until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

2 Peter 1. 16–19

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

All stand to sing

Gradual Hymn

*The 'Lesser Entrance' will take place during the singing of the Hymn, during which
the Book of the Gospels is brought in procession.*



IN Days of old on Sinai
The Lord Almighty came
In majesty of terror
In thunder-cloud and flame:
On Tabor, with the glory
Of sunniest light for vest,
The excellence of beauty
In Jesus was expressed.

All light created paled there
And did Him worship meet;
The sun itself adored him,
And bowed before his feet;
While Moses and Elijah
Upon the holy mount,
The co-eternal glory
Of Christ our God recount.

O holy, wondrous vision!
But O when, this life past,
The beauty of Mount Tabor
Shall end in heaven at last!
But O when all the glory
Of uncreated light
Shall be the promised guerdon
Of them that win the fight!

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837–1898)

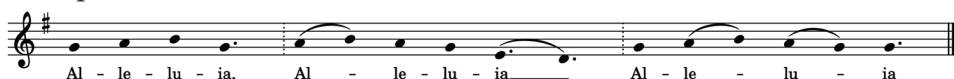
Tune: MEIRIONYDD
Welsh Hymn Melody

Remain standing and face the Gospel

The Gospel Reading

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All repeat:



Choir: This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased;
listen to him! **Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
St. Luke, 9th Chapter, beginning at the 28th verse
Glory be to thee, O Lord

NOW about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, ‘Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah’—not knowing what he said.

While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, ‘This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!’ When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

At the end,

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
Praise be to thee, O Christ

Remain standing until invited to be seated

Sermon
given by
Ven. Samuel Ponniah
Chaplain

All stand to sing

Nicene Creed

WE Believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
Through whom all things were made:
Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man,
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick
and the dead: Whose Kingdom shall have no end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceedeth from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped
and glorified, who spake by the Prophets.
And we believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.
And we look for the Resurrection of the
dead, And the life of the world to come.
Amen.

All kneel or sit

Prayers of Intercession
during which the following response is used

Lord, look with favour

Lord, transfigure and heal.

At the end all say together

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 Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Greeting of Peace

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 God be always with you
And also with you.

Preparation of the Table

Offertory Hymn

During the Offertory Hymn, the Greater Entrance will take place, in which the bread, wine, and water are brought in procession and placed upon the altar, while a collection is taken for the work of the Chapel.



GOD is here! as we his people
Meet to offer praise and prayer,
May we find in fuller measure
What it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us,
All our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of his Spirit
Into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us
Of our lifelong need of grace;
Here are table, font and pulpit,
Here the cross has central place;
Here in honesty of preaching,
Here in silence as in speech,
Here in newness and renewal
God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome
In the Shepherd's flock and fold,
Here, as bread and wine are taken,
Christ sustains us, as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant
Seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living
To believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom,
In an age of change and doubt
Keep us faithful to the gospel,
Help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication,
All we have to give, receive.
We, who cannot live without you,
We adore you! we believe!

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000)

Tune: BLAENWERN
William Penfro Rowlands (1860–1937)
Descant: John Scott (1956–2015)

Remain standing. The Celebrant invites all to say,

ALL things come from you
and of your own do we give you,
Creator and Lord of the universe,
ever adored by the holy Angels.
Accept these gifts of bread and wine and these offerings
which we present at your holy table
and with them the dedication of our lives for your service,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

THE Lord be with you
And with thy spirit

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God
It is meet and right so to do

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times, and in all
places, give thanks unto thee,
O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

And now we give thee thanks because the divine glory of the incarnate
Word shone forth upon the holy mountain
before the chosen witnesses of his majesty;
and thine own voice from heaven proclaimed thy beloved Son.

Therefore with Angels, and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying:

The Choir sings

HOLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee,
O Lord most high.

The people may prayerfully sit, kneel or remain standing

HOLY indeed are you Almighty Father eternal Sovereign, who in all your
gifts and works manifests your holiness to all humanity. Holy is your
Only Begotten Son Jesus Christ, through whom you did order the universe.
And Holy is your ever blessed Spirit who reveals all things, even the deep
things of you O God. Just as you yourself are holy, so also you created us in
your own image that we might live in holy fellowship.

And when we disobeyed your commandments, you did not abandon us but you guided us as a merciful Father; you revealed yourself to us through the Sages, the Law and the Prophets, and through your redeeming acts in history, and when the time was ripe, you came among us through your Son Jesus, whom you sent into the world to share our human nature in order that the Lord Jesus might revive your own image in us.

**Generous God, Jesus loves us
and sacrificed himself for us
and heralded the new life
in breaking bread with companions.**

On the very night that he was betrayed to suffer death upon the cross for us, the Lord Jesus took bread and when he had given thanks to you Almighty Father, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying:
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same manner after supper, he took the cup also, and after giving thanks, he gave it to them saying:
Drink, all of you from this,
for this is my blood of the new covenant
which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Lord Jesus Christ is Saviour
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

And so Father, we present this bread and cup in communion with your whole church, in fellowship with Blessed Mary, St. Thomas and all the saints, and in union with all creation we celebrate your Son's death and victory; giving thanks for all that Christ has done for us; for preparing us for all that lies ahead, we receive the benefits of Christ's life, death, resurrection and session in glory, and we eagerly await the heavenly banquet after Christ's coming again.

And we entreat you most merciful God to hear us and send your All Holy Spirit on us and on these your gifts, that they being blessed and hallowed by that life giving power, may be for us the Body and Blood of your most dearly loved Son, to the end that we receiving the same may be sanctified and filled with your grace and heavenly blessing.

ACCEPT this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
make us one body in Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of
the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be to you Almighty Father,
world without end.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

THE bread which we break is it not a sharing in the body of Christ?
We being many are one bread, one body for we all partake of the
one bread.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we now pray

All sing

OUR Father,
which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done, in 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.

The Celebrant continues

THE peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

The gifts of God for the people of God

The Choir sings

Benedictus

BLESSED is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Deep Silence

The Choir sings

Agnus Dei

OLAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Grant us thy peace.

Giving of Communion

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion, saying

DRAW near with faith and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word
and I shall be healed.**

All sit.

*If you receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here. Please
follow the directions of the College Prefects.*

During communion the Choir sings

Communion Anthem

O NATA lux de lumine,
Jesu redemptor saeculi,
Dignare clemens supplicum
laudes precesque sumere.
Qui carne quondam contegi
dignatus es pro perditis
Nos membra confer effici
Tui beati corporis.

Words: Office hymn for Lauds
on the Feast of the Transfiguration

*O holy light once born of light
Jesu redeemer of mankind,
with loving kindness pray receive
the praise and prayer we offer thee.
Thou who once deigned to take on flesh
to save the souls of those who strayed.
Grant us to live as members here
of thy most sacred body blest.*

Music: Thomas Tallis (1505–68)

Remain seated to sing

Communion Hymn

DECK thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendour,
There with joy thy praises render
Unto him whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded;
High o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
Yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
Light, who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth:
At thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, thy glory, given.

Words: J. Franck (1618–77)

Tune: SCHMÜCKE DICH
Johann Crüger (1598–1662)

After communion all kneel as the Chaplain says

Prayers after Communion

GIVE thanks to the Lord for God is gracious.
God's mercy endures forever.

'I am the light of the world', says the Lord,
Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness
but will have the light of life.'

John 8.12

ALMIGHTY God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through Christ
we offer you ourselves
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live
and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

All sit. The Choir sings

Anthem

GOD is gone up with a triumphant shout:
The Lord with sounding Trumpets' melodies:
Sing Praise, sing Praise, sing Praise, sing Praises out,
Unto our King sing praise seraphicwise!
Lift up your Heads, ye lasting Doors, they sing,
And let the King of Glory enter in.

Methinks I see Heaven's sparkling courtiers fly,
In flakes of Glory down him to attend,
And hear Heart-cramping notes of Melody
Surround his Chariot as it did ascend;
Mixing their Music, making ev'ry string
More to enravish as they this tune sing.

Words: Edward Taylor (1646?–1729)

Music: Gerald Finzi (1901–56)

The Dismissal

All kneel. The Celebrant gives the

Blessing

CHRIST Jesus, the splendour of the Father and the image of his being,
draw you to himself that you may live in his light and share his glory;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

All stand

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

during which the Clergy and Servers depart



TIS good, Lord, to be here,
Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy beauty to behold,
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Thy messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past,
Promise of things to be,
We hail thy body glorified,
And our redemption see.

Choir:

Before we taste of death,
We see thy kingdom come;
We fain would hold the vision bright,
And make this hill our home.

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Yet we may not remain;
But since thou bidst us leave the mount,
Come with us to the plain.**

Words: Joseph Armitage Robinson (1858–1933)

Tune: CARLISLE

Charles Lockhart (1745–1815)

Descant: Denham Pereira (b.1979)

Festive Flourish

Organ Voluntary
Gordon Jacob (1895–1984)

Remain standing as the Choir moves out to the vestry

Members of the congregation are all invited to the
Main Hall for a time of fellowship and refreshments

*Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please take this order of service with you to
reflect on the prayers and readings and as a reminder of your visit.*

Appeal for The Chapel Solidarity Fund

A solidarity fund had been set up many years ago to assist persons in need of financial support, which is administered by the Chaplain and the Finance Manager of the School. This fund has helped many over the past years and is now in need of replenishment. Those who would like to contribute towards this fund please get in touch with the Chaplain or the Assistant Chaplain.