

St Paul's Anglican Church

March 2, 2025 Transfiguration

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10:00 am BCP from BAS

Indigenous Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated on the traditional territory of the Mississauga peoples and is covered by the Williams Treaties. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile ourselves, and to work for justice and reconciliation with the peoples and the land. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. **Amen.**

Prelude: Impromptu

Processional Hymn: # 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Sentence

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.
- Matthew 17.5

The Gathering of the Community (All stand)

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis (sung)

All: 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, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin 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 Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty God, on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

The Proclamation of the Word

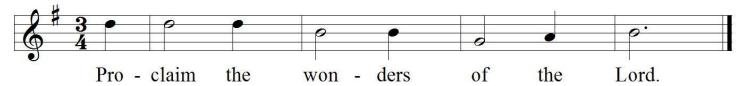
First Reading - Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he

would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader The word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.**

Psalm – 99



The Lord is King; let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake. **R**

The Lord is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples. Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One. **R**

"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob." Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One. **R**

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them. He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. **R**

"O Lord our God, you answered them; indeed, you were a God who forgave them yet punished them for their evil deeds." Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One. **R**

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

Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set

aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Reader The word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn # 169 Jesus, on the Mountain Peak vs 1 & 2

Holy Gospel - Luke 9:28-36

Reader The Lord be with you. **People And also with you**.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn # 169 Jesus, on the Mountain Peak vs 3 & 4

Homily Rev. Bonnie Skerritt

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and All earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the 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 and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost 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 I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy divine majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, priests, and deacons, (and specially to thy servant N our bishop), that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living word, and rightly and duly administer

thy holy sacraments: prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: and grant to thy servant Charles our King, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, (especially those for whom our prayers are desired).

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 1.28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. *John 3.16* Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1.15*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2.1,2

Leader Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to almighty God.

Silence is kept.

All Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn # 167 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Holy God, receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant 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, creator and preserver of all things.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and singing:

All Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, who didst make us in Celebrant thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread

and wine, that they may be unto us the body and blood of thy dearlybeloved Son Jesus Christ.

All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

Celebrant And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this holy communion may worthily receive the most precious body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. All others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. At this time, intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is strictly prohibited for hygienic reasons. If desired, you may instead lay your hands on the base of the chalice.

Hymns during Communion

Eucharist 1: Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord

Eucharist 2: 84 Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour

Anthem: The Keeper of Your Soul

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn # 405 Alleluia No. 1

Remember that this is the last time for "alleluias" until Easter. Let's hear them ring out!

Dismissal

Celebrant: Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, go, serve

the world God loves!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Little Prelude in C – Bach (Feel free to sit and listen)

"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God." — Corrie ten Boom

Next Week's Readings - Lent 1

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13

Announcements

Designated Giving #215 for March will benefit the **Kawartha Food Source**. Ask any food source volunteer and they will tell you we are enduring an unprecedented local hunger crisis. More than ever, our donations are needed to help fill an urgent need for fresh produce, milk and eggs, and to support the food source meal programs.

Ash Wednesday, March 5th – there will be two services, 11:00 am said service (live-streamed); 7:00 pm service with choir.

In the case of inclement weather, an update will be posted online.



Pancake Lunch/Supper tickets are on sale: The annual Shrove Tuesday pancake festivities take place on March 4th this year. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10 years of age. Lunch will be from 11:30 – 1:00 and supper will

be from 5:00 - 6:30.

Please check out the St. Paul's bulletin board in the Hall for more information about what's happening during the Season of Spiritual Renewal.



Refreshment Time helpers: The sign-up sheet is up on the board. Thank you to the many folks who do regularly support this important ministry!



SAVE YOUR LOONIES!!!!! Spring Thaw Dinner and Loonie Auction Sat. April 5, 2025, 6 PM Come and enjoy a 3-course catered dinner. \$40.00 PP – Prebooked, Reserved Seating.

Donations of items: pies, baked goods, gift cards or certificates, preserves, wine, knitted goods, ceramics, etc. are welcome. To be handed in to Linda Todd, Barb Truax or through the office (please indicate 'Spring thaw' and your name on item)

Tickets on Sale: Feb 2 (cash, cheque, square) every Sunday and during church office hours (Tues-Thurs 9-12)

Gift Cards There are Shoppers Drug Mart \$50 and \$100 left.



Baby Grand Piano update. The piano is in. We have a "Buy a Key" for \$34 Campaign going; there are 88 keys! "Please mark "Baby Grand (or designated #101) on your envelope and it will be added to your givings for tax purposes. *Thank You so much!*

World Day of Prayer Service 2025 Friday March 7, 2025 at 2 pm St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 40 William St. N., Lindsay, ON Refreshments following the Service. All are welcome! Parking is limited. Please carpool or allow time for parking.

Lent is almost here! Check out the ways that St. Paul's is working to help you keep a mindful Lent.

Deanery Lenten Retreat Day. Your Spiritual Development Committee is hosting this on behalf of the deanery on Saturday, March 29th. See poster at back of bulletin for all the details!

Wednesdays in Lent – Morning Prayer will be offered at 9:30 am beginning on March 19th. At least once during Lent we will use the BCP, the BAS and the Iona Worship Book. Morning Prayer will be followed by our Lenten Study. **A Diocesan Lenten study** resource will be available for you beginning on March 2nd. This is a daily resource that we will use for small group discussion, beginning on March 19th.

Income Tax Receipts: Please inform the office if you do not receive your receipt by the end of the month. Receipts not yet picked up will be mailed out.

DEADLINE FOR THE
LENT/EASTER ISSUE OF
THE GRAPEVINE IS
MONDAY MARCH 3, 2025

ATV for Sale: Are you interested in purchasing (or know someone who might be) a Venom III 110 cc ATV that was donated to the church. We are asking \$1000. Please connect with Paul C.

Helping with the deficit. Would you please mark any donations you are making to help out with our budget shortfall under designated givings #7. Thanks - Paul