



St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Feast of the Transfiguration
6th August 2023

Welcome to St Anne's today – it is great to have you with us. St Anne's is the local Church of England parish church, and we are a diverse group of people. We hope that you will feel welcome in our worship today. If you are new, please do say hello – we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask. We will be happy to help. Our worship style is quite formal, but we hope relaxed- as we come to worship God in our midst. All the words for the service will be on the screens at the front however, if you would prefer to have a printed copy in your hands, or a large print copy, or a hymn books, they are on the landing.



The Transfiguration is an event which while recorded in the Gospels has also come to reveal both the human and divine nature of Jesus. The disciples glimpse an insight of God's glory revealed through Jesus. We keep this feast to remind us that God's love is transcendent.

*A Priest will greet us. Please stand when the bell is rung. We sing our Processional **Hymn 251 God of mercy, God of Grace** as the Clergy enter.*

The Gathering

**We meet in the name of God the Father and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The President will introduce the service and then leads us in our confession

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

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed, through negligence,
through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve
you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

We sing together.

**Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

We are reminded of God's forgiveness.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, (+) pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We sing our praise in the words of the Gloria

**Refrain: Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship You we give You thanks,
we praise You for your glory. Refrain:**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God You take away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. Refrain:**

**For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Refrain.**

The Collect

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer and then says:

Father in heaven,
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,
and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at
Jerusalem:
give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross
that in the world to come we may see him as he is;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Liturgy of the Word (please sit)

We hear a reading from the Old Testament

*Daniel 7:9-10 and 13-14 shine a spotlight first on the
kingship of God, who is portrayed in Daniel's vision as "an*

Ancient One,” and second on the eternal kingship that is given to the one like a human being. Kingship and sovereignty are thus central themes in this passage. Within the book of Daniel, these verses are part of a longer vision which take place during the reign of a fictional king.

A Reading from the Prophet Daniel (Daniel 7:9-10. 13-14)

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Our Second reading

This text is intended to counteract the claim being made by some that the promise of Jesus’ return was invented by the apostles. Opponents of the author may have been claiming that the apostles made up the story of Jesus’ return to instil fear and thus control behaviour.

A reading from the second letter of Peter
(2 Peter 1: 16-19)

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*We sing our Gradual **Hymn 524 – Name of all Majesty** during which the Gospel is processed*

The Gospel is announced.

Our Gospel reading today is Luke 9: 28-36, the description of the transfiguration. The transfiguration of Jesus follows immediately on the scene where Peter confesses Jesus to be the Christ, the Messiah (Luke 9:20). That scene ends with Jesus' teaching on the coming glory of God's kingdom to be experienced by the disciples (9:26-27). The transfiguration scene provides a dramatic confirmation of Peter's confession and a foretaste of the glory to be experienced when God's kingdom is fully present. The emphasis throughout the episode is on the dazzling attestation of Jesus' identity. We are first given the description of his transformed appearance (verse 29). The change in the appearance of his face is reminiscent of Moses' face becoming radiant upon experiencing the presence of God in Exodus 34:29-35. But the description of the change in Jesus' clothes distinguishes him from Moses significantly: Jesus' clothes become "dazzling white," words Luke uses to describe the appearance of

angelic figures in Luke 24:4 and Acts 1:10. Jesus' transformed appearance is thus not merely because he is experiencing God's glory (like Moses) but rather because he is the very source of divine glory. The most dramatic attestation of Jesus' identity comes with the voice of God in verse 35. The basic message echoes the divine words spoken at Jesus' baptism (3:22), but there are also notable differences. One of the most significant parts of Luke's account of this story however is that occurs in the context of prayer. God's spirit is revealed in prayer for us too. We may not have an experience like the transfiguration but God will still become clearer to us the more we pray!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

(Luke 9: 28-36)

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

The Gospel is carried back to the Altar. We sit to listen to the sermon. After the sermon silence is kept.

We stand to affirm our faith in the words of the creed.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

We kneel or sit as we prayer for the Church, the World and for this community.

During the prayers we use the response:

Lord hear us

Lord graciously hear us

We may also use the response:

Rest Eternal Grant unto them O Lord

And let light perpetual shine upon them

May they rest in peace

And rise in glory

At the end of the prayers we say:

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Liturgy of the Sacrament *(please stand)*

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.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace in a manner that is comfortable to you.

We share the peace with those around us in a way we are comfortable until the offertory Hymn is announced. We sing the offertory Hymn 453 – Lord enthroned in heavenly Splendour during which a collection is taken.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

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

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

The preface continues until we sing.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

After the Consecration

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we join the priest saying:
Amen.

We join in the prayer that Jesus taught his friends to say in our preferred version and language.

**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 president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We sing the Agnus Dei.

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

The Elevation

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father**

*We receive communion, during which we listen to The
Transfiguration by Jeremy Filsell.*

*All who are baptised are welcome to receive communion. We
receive God's grace in one kind or two, so we ask that you don't
dip the bread (host) into the chalice). You may also like to come
forward for a blessing.; and you may wish to light a candle.*

*At the end of communion, the priest will lead us in a period of
silence, and then a short prayer:*

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We pray together

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

We listen to the notices about our community life.

The Dismissal (please stand)

The Lord be with you
And also with you

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 the (+) Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

*We sing our final hymn 479 – Lord the light of your love is
shining during which the clergy depart.*

Please do join us downstairs for morning tea.

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Finance—St Anne's

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. In June we raised £1850. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

Laurence's Larder

As you know Laurence's Larder serves meals and food bags. They continue to welcome Tuna but can also use **sardines and long-life milk** – though any non-perishable everyday food items are great!

Queen's Park Day 2023

Queen's Park Day is on the 17th September. We need to ensure that we have things to sell as well as people to help. From the beginning of August there will be a sign-up sheet to help out at QPD. We also need to be collecting good quality clothes and toys to sell, paperback books, and we will be looking for people to make cakes ready for the 17th.



For our prayers— Guy and Renate, AnneMarie and Marion, Kathleen, Emma, Peter and Rhona, Florret, John and Josephine, Harriet, May, Mavis, Kay, Comfort, Joyce, Jean, Peter, Pearl, John, Cecilia and Ruth. We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Dorothy Wright, Trish Harris, Richard Simms and Eileen Dunford.

Services during the week 6th August 2023

Tuesday 8th 8.30am Morning Prayer in Chapel and Zoom

Friday 11th 2pm Tea and Chat

Sunday 13th 9 am Morning Prayer in Chapel and Zoom

10th after 10am Sung Mass with Baptism

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