



CELEBRATING 125 YEARS

ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Feast of the Transfiguration
Choral Evensong
March 3, 2019

Prelude "Alleluias sereins d'une âme qui désire le ciel"
("Serene alleluias of a soul that longs for heaven")
from *L'ascension (The Ascension)* 1933-34 Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

Hymn 31 "Most holy God, the Lord of heaven" *Dunedin*

Opening Sentences

Preces Daniel Hathaway

Sung by the choir.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.
Alleluia.

Hymn 25 "O gracious Light" *The Eighth Tune*

Sung by all, in canon.

The People sit.



- 1 The LORD is King;
 let the ¹people ¹tremble; *
 he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
¹let the ¹eä¹rth ¹shake.
- 2 The LORD is ¹great in ¹Zion; *
 he is ¹high a¹bove all ¹peoples.
- †3 Let them confess his Name, which is ¹great and ¹awesome; *
 — ¹he is the ¹Holy ¹One.
- 4 “O mighty King, lover of justice,
 you have es¹tablished ¹equity; *
 you have executed justice and ¹righteous¹ness in ¹Jacob.”
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
 and fall ¹down before his ¹footstool; *
 — ¹he is the ¹Holy ¹One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
 and Samuel among those who ¹call upon his ¹Name, *
 they called upon the ¹LÖRD, ¹and he ¹answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the ¹pillar of ¹cloud; *
 they kept his testimonies and the de¹crëe ¹that he ¹gave them.
- 8 “O LORD our God, you ¹answered them in ¹deed; *
 you were a God who forgave them,
 yet punished them ¹for their ¹evil ¹deeds.”
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
 and worship him upon his ¹holy ¹hill; *
 for the ¹LORD our ¹God is the ¹Holy One.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen. [Ant.]

First Lesson: 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. Afterward 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.

Canticle *Magnificat in G*

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He, remembering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Lesson: Luke 9:28-36

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.

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Canticle *Nunc dimittis in G*

Charles V. Stanford

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*



Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing, on a single tone

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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The People sit.



Anthem *Rejoice in the Lamb*

Benjamin Britten (1913–1976)

Text from *Jubilate Agno* by Christopher Smart (1722-1771)

Rejoice in God, O ye Tongues; give the glory to the Lord, and the Lamb.

Nations, and languages, and every Creature in which is the breath of Life.

Let man and beast appear before him, and magnify his name together.

Let Nimrod, the mighty hunter, bind a leopard to the altar and consecrate his spear to the Lord.

Let Ishmail dedicate a tyger, and give praise for the liberty in which the Lord has let him at large.

Let Balaam appear with an ass, and bless the Lord his people and his creatures for a reward eternal.

Let Daniel come forth with a lion, and praise God with all his might tThrough faith in Christ Jesus.

Let Ithamar minister with a chamois, and bless the name of Him that cloatheth the naked.

Let Jakim with the satyr bless God in the dance, dance, dance, dance.

Let David bless with the bear—the beginning of victory to the Lord,—to the Lord the perfection of excellence.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah from the heart of God, and from the hand of the artist inimitable, and from the echo of the heavenly harp in sweetness magnificent and mighty. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

For I will consider my cat Jeoffry.

For he is the servant of the living God, duly and daily serving him.

For at the first glance of the glory of God in the East he worships in his way.

For this is done by wreathing his body seven times round with elegant quickness.

For he knows that God is his saviour.

For God has bless'd him in the variety of his movements.

For there is nothing sweeter than his peace when at rest.

For I am possessed of a cat, surpassing in beauty, from whom I take occasion to bless Almighty God.

For the Mouse is a creature of great personal valour.

For—this is a true case—Cat takes female mouse, male mouse will not depart, but stands threat'ning and daring.

If you will let her go, I will engage you, as prodigious a creature as you are.

For the Mouse is a creature of great personal valour.

For the Mouse is of an hospitable disposition.

For the flowers are great blessings.

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For the flowers have their angels, even the words of God's creation.

For the flower glorifies God and the root parries the adversary.

For there is a language of flowers.

For the flowers are peculiarly the poetry of Christ.

*For I am under the same accusation with my
Savior,
For they said, he is besides himself.
For the officers of the peace are at variance
with me, and the watchman smites me
with his staff.
For the silly fellow, silly fellow, is against
me, and belongeth neither to me nor to my
family.
For I am in twelve hardships, but he that
was born of a virgin shall deliver me out
of all, shall deliver me out of all.*

*For H is a spirit and therefore he is God.
For K is king and therefore he is God.
For L is love and therefore he is God.
For M is musick and therefore he is God.
And therefore he is God.*

*For the instruments are by their rhimes,
For the shawm rhimes are lawn fawn
and the like.
For the shawm rhimes are moon boon
and the like.
For the harp rhimes are sing ring
and the like.
For the harp rhimes are ring string
and the like.
For the cymbal rhimes are bell well
and the like.*

*For the cymbal rhimes are toll soul
and the like.
For the flute rhimes are tooth youth
and the like.
For the flute rhimes are suit mute
and the like.
For the bassoon rhimes are pass class
and the like.
For the dulcimer rhimes are grace place
and the like.
For the clarinet rhimes are clean seen
and the like.
For the trumpet rhimes are sound bound
and the like.
For the trumpet of God is a blessed
intelligence
And so are all the instruments in Heav'n.
For God the Father Almighty plays upon the
harp of stupendous magnitude and mel-
ody.
For at that time malignity ceases and the
devils themselves are at peace.
For this time is perceptible to man by a re-
markable stillness and serenity of soul.*

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heart of God, and from the hand of the
artist inimitable, and from the echo of the
heavenly harp in sweetness magnificent
and mighty. Hallelujah, hallelujah, halle-
lujah.*

A brief period of silence follows.

Prayers

The People sit or kneel.

Responses, sung by the choir

Daniel Hathaway

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and Choir

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.

Suffrages

Daniel Hathaway

V. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
R. And grant us thy salvation.
V. O Lord, save the State.
R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
V. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
V. O Lord, save thy people.
R. And bless thine inheritance.
V. Give peace, in our time, O Lord.
R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us. But only thou, O God.
V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect of the Day

Officiant Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect for the Evening

Officiant O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen.

Collect for Mission

Officiant O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship thee, all nations obey thee, all tongues confess and bless thee, and men and women everywhere love thee and serve thee in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 24 "The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended"

St. Clement

Postlude *Litanies*

Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

When the Christian soul can no longer find new words in its distress to implore the mercy of God, it repeats the same invocation ceaselessly with vehement faith. Reason reaches its limit. Only faith pursues its ascension.

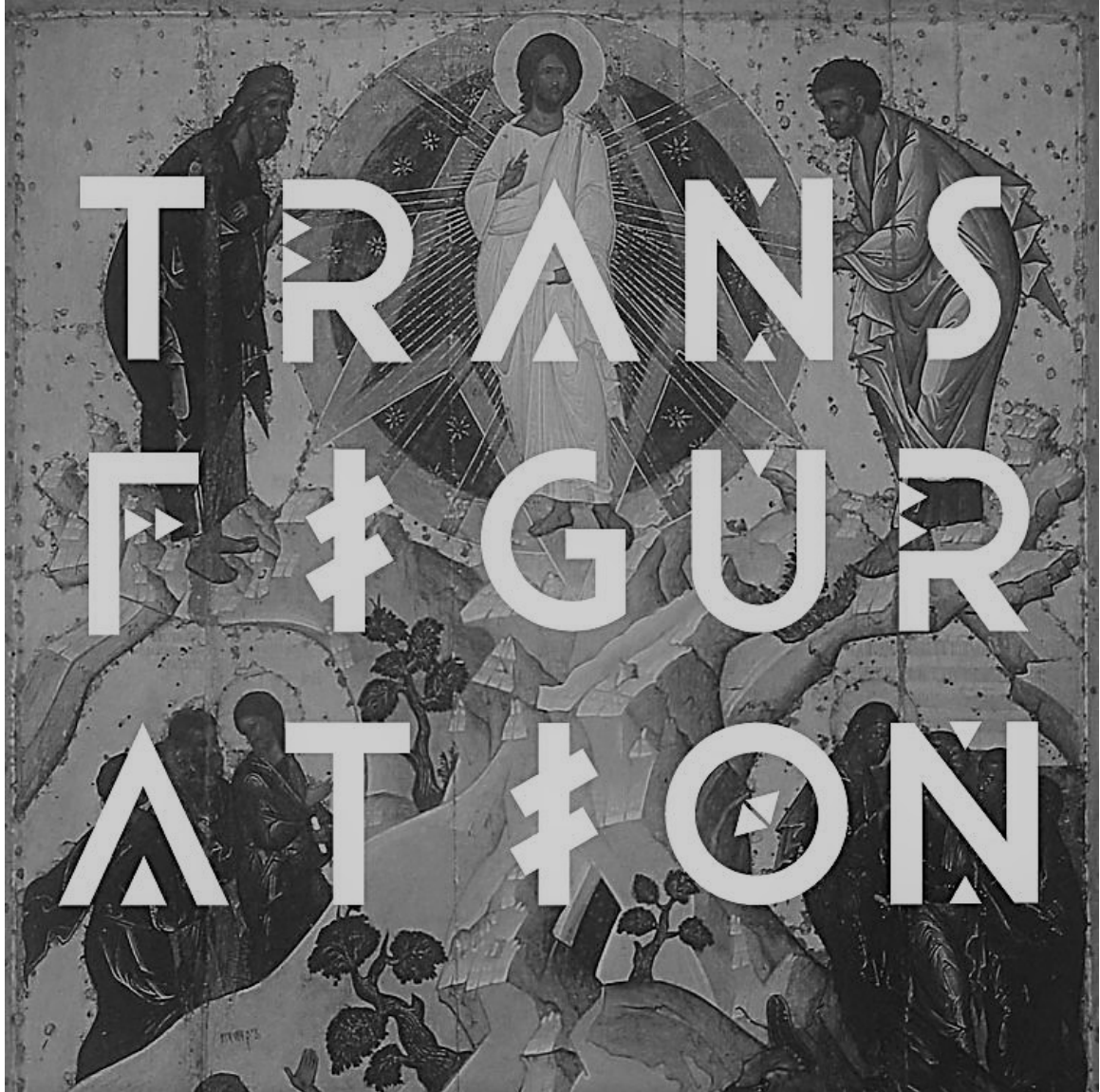
We welcome our guest organist Thomas Handel.

Evening of Fellowship with Temple Beth Elohim.

We welcome Rabbi Rachel Sapphire and members of Temple Beth Elohim to our Evensong tonight. We are honored to have you join us for our service, continuing our mutual commitment to strengthen interfaith bonds of friendship and deepen our appreciation of one another's faith communities.

Please join us for a reception following the service.

Special thanks to Wendy Haering and Margaret Zusky for coordinating the reception.





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