



*We acknowledge Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, upholding Scripture as the unchanging Word of God. We seek to be led by the Holy Spirit. We will endeavor to live life in fellowship and service in His name and to lead others into a relationship with Him through Biblical teaching and concern for their lives. We will be a community that reflects His teaching and love to the world around us.*

*Transfiguration Sunday 2-15-15*

### **The Acclamation**

*The People standing, the Celebrant says this or a seasonal greeting as found in the general rubrics. From Ash Wednesday to the Eve of Palm Sunday or penitential occasions:*

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures forever.

### **The Collect for Purity**

*The Celebrant and People then say*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

### **The Decalogue**

*Celebrant* God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods but me.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any image or likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or worship them.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not murder.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not covet.

*People* Lord have mercy upon us, and give us grace to keep these laws and to write them upon our hearts.

## **Kyrie**

*The Celebrant and people sing or say together once or three times:*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Kyrie eleison

*Christ, have mercy upon us. or*

*Christe eleison*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Kyrie eleison

## **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the People*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And with your spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

## **Collect**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan; Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Collect**

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **2 Kings 2: 1-12**

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

**The Word of the Lord**    *Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 147:1:1-12, 20c**

- 1    The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
      he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
  
- 2    Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
      God reveals himself in glory.
  
- 3    Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
      before him there is a consuming flame,  
      and round about him a raging storm.

- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.

*Glory 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*

### **2 Corinthians 4: 3-6**

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**The Word of the Lord** *Thanks be to God.*

### **Mark 9: 2-9**

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark** *Glory to you, O Lord*

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**The Gospel of the Lord** *Praise to you, O Christ.*