## Christ Church (Episcopal)

Reading, Pennsylvania

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## The Last Sunday after the Epiphany March 2, 2025

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## Today's Readings—The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

#### The Old Testament 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. 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.

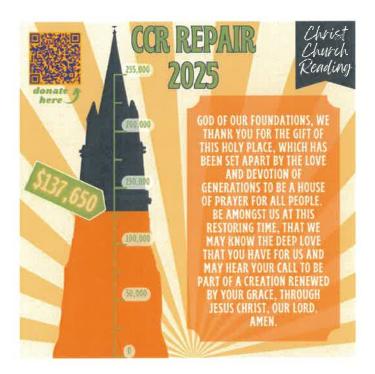
#### The New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

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 practice 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.

## The Holy Gospel: 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.



#### Welcome to Christ Church

We are happy to welcome you to our church and worship services. Here are some things that you may find helpful. If you would like to **know more about us** please talk to one of the ushers or Fr Bryce after the service. Please stay with us after the service in our **Fellowship Hall** to get to know us better. The most readily accessible **restrooms** are the front of the fellowship hall to the left (men's) and just past the elevator (women's). **Parking** is available for free on the street on Sundays and in the M&T parking lot behind the church on the corner of Washington Street and Madison Ave.

Cover image: "Moses Comes Down from Mount Sinai" by Gustave Dore (1832–1883)

#### The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: We pray that Christ may be seen in the life of the Church, saying, in your mercy hear us.

Intercessor: You have called us into the family of those who are the children of God. May our love for our brothers and sisters in Christ be strengthened by your grace. We pray especially for those celebrating this week, Eli Whalen and David Richie. Jesus, Lord of the Church, in your mercy hear us.

You have called us to be a temple where the Holy Spirit can dwell. Give us clean hands and pure hearts so that our lives will reflect your holiness. We pray for Bryce, our rector, Kevin, our bishop, Sean, our presiding bishop, for The Anglican Church of Burundi and for North Parish. Jesus, Lord of the Church, in your mercy hear us.

You have called us to be a light to the world, so that those in darkness come to you. May our lives shine as a witness to the saving grace you have given for all. May your light shine into the lives of the people of Ukraine and the Holy Land. Jesus, Lord of the Church, in your mercy hear us.

You have called us to be members of your body, so that when one suffers, all suffer together. We ask for your comfort and healing power to bring hope to those in distress, especially those on our prayer list printed in the bulletin and for any we name now... Jesus, Lord of the Church, in your mercy hear us.

You have called us to be the Bride, where you, Lord, are the Bridegroom. Prepare us for the wedding feast, where we will be united with you for ever. We especially remember today Jere Gabrielle. Jesus, Lord of the Church, in your mercy hear us.

Celebrant: Jesus, Lord of the Church, you have called us into fellowship with all your saints. We unite our prayers with theirs and ask for grace to serve you with joy where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for all eternity. **Amen.** 

# Christ Church (Episcopal) Reading, PA 8am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

## The Liturgy of the Word

#### Please stand

#### The Acclamation and Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: We have beheld his glory,

People: glory as of the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

#### The Collect for Purity (said together)

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 Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord have mercy.
People: Christ have mercy.
Celebrant: Lord have mercy.

#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you: People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated

The Old Testament Reading: Exodus 34:29-35 (full text on page 2)

At the end of the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord: People: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 99 (the Psalm is read responsively by whole verse)

The Lord is King;

let the people tremble;

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

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.

"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.

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.

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.

The New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 (full text on page 2) At the end of the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:28-36 (full text on page 2)

Before the reading

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

People: Glory be to you, Lord Christ.

After the reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord:

People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Homily

Please stand

The Nicene Creed (page 9)

The Prayers of the People (page 4)
Intercessor: Lord of the Church,

People: in your mercy hear us.

Confession of Sin (page 9)

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

## The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B, page 10)

The Sanctus (page 11 of this bulletin)

The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 11

The Lord's Prayer and Breaking of the Bread (page 12)

#### The Invitation to Communion and Communion

Everyone is invited to receive. There will be two chalices for receiving: the first to drink from and the second chalice is for intinction (dipping the host instead of drinking.) Gluten Free wafers are available; if you require gluten free please indicate this when receiving. If you would prefer to receive a blessing please indicate this by crossing your arms while at the communion rail.

#### The Post-Communion Prayers

Celebrant: 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.** 

Then all pray together:

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Blessing

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia. Go in the light and peace of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

## 8AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist
The Reverend Bryce Wandrey

Communion Assistant Ellen Sunderman

Lector and Intercessor
Juliana Gonzalez

Altar Guild
Charlotte Hoare (Captain),
Christine Keeler, Josephine Lawson
and Mary Jane Androne

Usher Chris Spohn

#### The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Celebrant

All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins

through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in

eternal life.

All Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

People: And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts:

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

(8AM spoken, sung on page 17 at 10AM)

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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father, Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in your Christ and make them new, and bring us to that heavenly country where,

with Blessed Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People

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.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### The Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Christ Church (Episcopal) Reading, PA

10am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Prelude Melodie
Opening Hymn 390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



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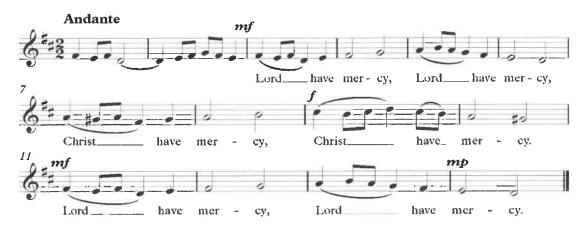
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#### The Collect for Purity (said together)

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#### The Kyrie

David Thorne



#### The Collect of the Day

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The Old Testament Reading: Exodus 34:29-35 (full text on page 2)

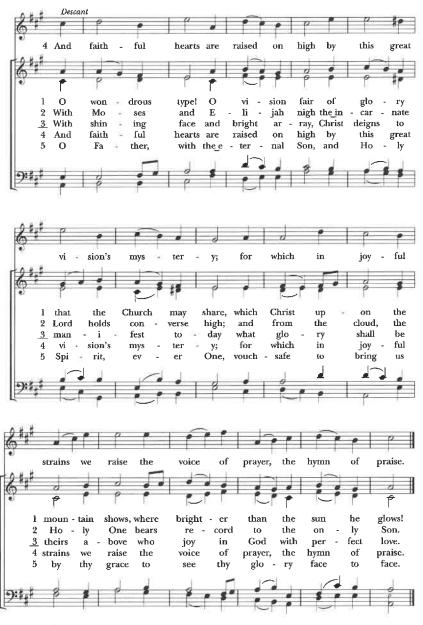
At the end of the reading

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Reader: The Word of the Lord: People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

### Gospel Hymn 137 O wondrous type



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The Holy Gospel: Luke 9:28-36 (full text on page 2)

Before the reading

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

People: Glory be to you, Lord Christ



After the reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord:

People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

(The Alleluia verse is sung again)

Please be seated

## The Homily

Please stand

The Nicene Creed (page 9)

The Prayers of the People (page 4) Intercessor: Lord of the Church,

People:

in your mercy hear us.

Confession of Sin (page 9)

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People:

And also with you.

Announcements and Children's Message

The Offertory Anthem

Panis angelicus

Camille Saint-Saens

### Presentation Hymn 380 From all the dwell below the skies (vs 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer B page 10)

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David Thorne

Celebrant:

The Lord be with you:

People: Celebrant:

And also with you. Lift up your hearts:

People:

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant:

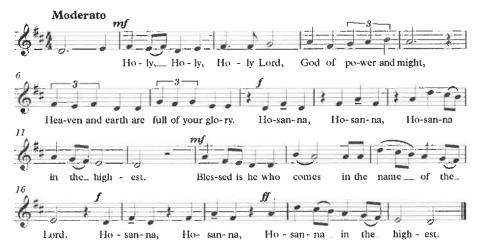
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

People:

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues with the Great Thanksgiving on page 10

#### The Sanctus



The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 11

The Lord's Prayer (page 12)

#### The Fraction Anthem

James E. Moore, Jr.





#### The Invitation to Communion

world,

Everyone is invited to receive. There will be two chalices for receiving: the first to drink from and the second chalice is for intinction (dipping the host instead of drinking.) Gluten Free wafers are available; if you require gluten free please indicate this when receiving. If you would prefer to receive a blessing please indicate this by crossing your arms while at the communion rail.

peace.

us

grant

The Communion Hymn I want Jesus to walk with me



Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals*. Copyright © 1992 Carl Haywood.

If Eucharistic visitors are being sent forth today to take the sacrament to people at home, the following prayer is said after Communion:

Celebrant: In the name of God, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that

those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of

Christ's body and blood.

All: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread,

one cup. Amen.

#### Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: 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.** 

#### Then all pray together:

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Blessing

The Closing Hymn 690 Guide me, thy great Jehovah (see page 21)

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia. Go in the light and peace of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

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## The Closing Hymn 690 Guide me, thy great Jehovah



Words: Williams (1717-1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt. Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932). 21

#### 10AM Service Participants

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Celebrant} \;\; \textit{and} \; \textit{Homilist} \\ \textit{The Reverend Bryce Wandrey} \end{array}$ 

Organist and Choir Director
John Painter

Verger Jeff Morris

Gospel Book Bearer
Zoe Morris

Lector
James Wilson

Intercessor Charlotte Hoare Ushers
David Emes, Joann Hyneman, Garrett
Hyneman and Jack Lacey

Communion Assistants
Kate Fanning and Milah Smith

*Crucifer* Andrea Griffith

Acolytes
William Barkley and Luke Weyandt

Altar Guild
Charlotte Hoare (Captain),
Christine Keeler, Josephine Lawson and
Mary Jane Androne

Would you like to make an impact on social and environmental justice in our community and country? Do you have a Franciscan heart? Consider becoming a member of the Reading Franciscan Justice Circle being formed by some Bernardine Franciscan Sisters and Secular Franciscans. Franciscan Justice Circles are a grassroots initiative promoted by Franciscan Action Network (FAN) to connect individuals in prayer, action, and advocacy in cities across the country. For further information, check out <a href="www.FranciscanJusticeCircles.org">www.FranciscanJusticeCircles.org</a>. We plan to meet once a month for an hour at the McGlinn Conference and Spirituality Center at 460 St. Bernardine Street, Reading, PA. Participants can attend in person or via Zoom. If you would like to attend an upcoming meeting to consider joining, please contact Sister Cara Garofalo at <a href="mailto:caralucilleg@gmail.com">caralucilleg@gmail.com</a>. Thank you.

For those in need of our prayers....

Runette

Kristin

Wyatt

Beverly

Connie

Randall

Dane

Polly

Mary

Carol

Lois

Kate

Max

Jason

Jeri

Bob

Doug and Dia

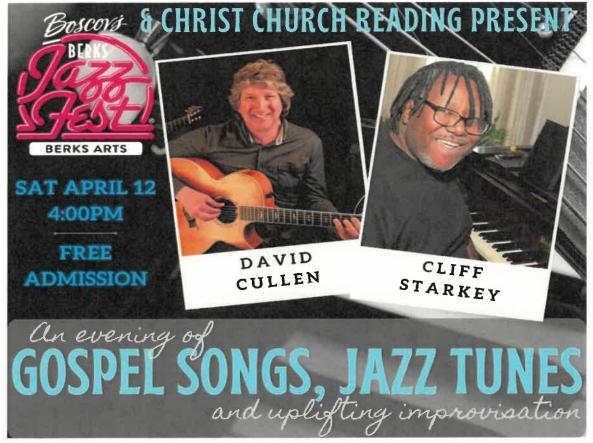
Eric

Shana

Shepherd & family Josephine

**Mother Dolores** 

Kindly submit any names you would to be added to the prayer list by emailing Kim @officemgr@rdgchristchurch.org or writing the name on the paper on the table inside the church.

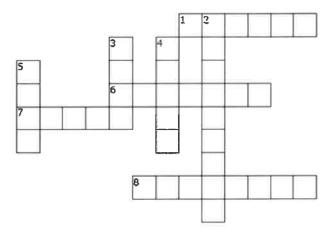


## The Transfiguration

As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Luke 9:29 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 9:28-36 (NIV)





#### **ACROSS**

- Ready to go to bed or take a nap
- Things such as a dress or trousers that you wear to cover your body
- 7. The opposite of being asleep
- 8. A raised part of the Earth's surface, much larger than a hill

#### DOWN

- 2. A flash of bright light in the sky produced by electricity
- 3. The front of the head, where the eyes, nose and mouth are
- A grey or white mass floating in the sky, made of very small drops of water
- 5. To speak to God

MOUNTAIN	FACE	LIGHTNING	AWAKE
PRAY	CLOTHES	SLEEPY	CLOUD

## The Transfiguration

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JAMES	PRAY	CHOSEN	CLOTHES	ELIJAH
TALKING	FACE	BRIGHT	APPEARED	DISCIPLES

#### Regular Christ Church Office hours:

Monday: 8:00 am - 2:00 PM; Tuesday 8:00AM-12:30PM Wednesday 8:00 am - 2:00 PM

#### IN the city. WITH our neighbors. FOR everyone.

We are grounded in the values of love, service and faithful stewardship. Firmly rooted in compassionate collaboration, we welcome partnerships that nurture our neighbors and address pressing issues in our community. We endeavor to be a cornerstone for the city of Reading, enabling all that come through our doors to experience the dignity, purpose and opportunities that God desires for everyone.

Lenten House Eucharists: This wonderful opportunity to travel the Lenten journey together returns. There are six opportunities for people to host one of these relaxed evenings of prayer, food and fellowship. Please see the possible evenings on the signup sheet in the hallway between the chapel and fellowship hall for you to host a house eucharist. Full details of how these meals are structured are available by emailing or talking with Fr Bryce (<a href="mailto:brycepwandrey@gmail.com">brycepwandrey@gmail.com</a>).

On Sunday May 18th, Bishop Kevin will be with us at our 10am service. We are now planning our Youth and Adult Confirmation classes (these will also be our Reception into Membership of the Episcopal Church classes) in preparation for that Sunday. Please email or speak to Fr Bryce today if you want to be part of these classes or if you have any questions. Classes will begin for our youth, 6th graders or older, on Sunday March 2 at 9AM with Chris Spohn. Adult classes are meeting on Sundays at 11AM beginning March 9.



Did you forget your checkbook this morning? Have you been wanting to set up a pledge but keep forgetting? Life just got a whole lot easier: scan the QR code on your phone and it will take you directly to our giving homepage.

### Jazzin' Up Mardi Gras with Let's Dance! 17-Piece Big Band Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church 527 Washington Street

Free parking available in our secure lot located at 121 5th Street, just steps from our building. Reception to follow. The concert is free. All donations at the concert support Refresh Berks, a new organization providing fresh showers and care for people throughout Berks County.

#### Vestry

Diane Morris (Senior Warden/Stewardship) Chuck Brantman (Junior Warden/Property) Anita Powell (Pastoral Care) Pam Wheat (Grants) Carolyn Handy (Hospitality) Rick Wolf (Finances) Bob Kappenstein (Worship) Kim Alarcon (Security Task Force) Mary Arguelles (Children/Youth) Jill Braun (Community Ministries) **Bob Barkley** (Community Ministries) Michelle Rowles Cranmer (Daycare/ Nursery Initiatives)

#### **Our Ministries**

#### Worship

Acolytes
Altar Guild
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors and Intercessors
Vergers
Guitar and Taizé
Services
Healing Team
Centering Prayer
Morning Prayer
Ushers

#### Music

Parish Choir Bell Ringers Children's Choir Fall Festival of Arts

Kristallnacht Service

#### Education

Adult Forum Library Children's Ministries Education For Ministry Bible Study EYC

#### Pastoral Care

Cards and notes Prayer Lists Eucharistic Visitors Flower Delivery Pastoral Visits

#### **Fellowship**

Sunday Fellowship Hour 50+ Club Hospitality Committee

#### **Business**

Property
Churchyard
Maintenance
Stewardship Team
Planned Giving
Communications
Capital Campaign
Security Task Force

#### Community Outreach

Opportunity House Rummage Mary's Shelter Narcotics Anonymous Literacy Council of Reading-Berks **ESL Dinners** Daughters of the King **Episcopal Church** Women Helping Harvest Veterans Coalition of PA Angel Tree Berks Youth Chorus Sunday Service Livestream Berks County

**Community Foundation** 

Altar Candle Memorials for March are given for Blessings Received by Susan Frankowski; Paul and Alice Swain and Arthur and Mary Hoare by Stephen and Charlotte Hoare; Sherry Feick Chandler by David and Judy Feick.

Altar flowers for today are given today to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of her husband, Jere Gabrielle by Runette Gabrielle.

Today, during our Adult Forum time, Allie Acevedo will be with us from the Appalachia Service Project. She will be informing us about our Summer Youth Mission Trip. Please join us in the Parlor at 9am to learn about this exciting event.

On March 4th, we will be having our annual **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** at 5:30PM to get ready for the season of Lent. This supper will be another opportunity for our Youth to raise funds for their summer mission trip.

Our Thursday morning Bible Study continues at 9am in the Library. Prior attendance is not required; please join us.

#### This Week at Christ Church

## Sunday, March 2—The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9AM Sunday School and Mission trip
Presentation
9AM Youth Confirmation Class
10AM Holy Eucharist (sung)
11:15AM Children's Choir Practice
3-5:30PM BYC Practice
4-5PM NA meeting

## Monday, March 3

12PM—1PM NA meeting

#### Tuesday, March 4

12:30PM Centering Prayer (in chapel) 12PM—1PM NA meeting 9AM Citizenship Class 5:30PM Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

#### Wednesday, March 5 Ash Wednesday

8:30AM Staff Meeting 12PM Ash Wednesday Service 12PM—1PM NA Meeting 5:30-7PM NA Meeting 7PM Ash Wednesday Service

#### Thursday, March 6

9AM Bible Study 9AM Citizenship Class 9:30AM Zoom Centering Prayer 11AM Morning Prayer in the Chapel 12PM—1PM NA Meeting 5PM-6:30PM NA Meeting

Friday, March 7 12PM—1PM NA Meeting

#### Saturday, March 8

9-11AM Youth Mission trip training 10AM-1PM ECW Rummage Sale 12PM-2PM NA meeting

#### Sunday, March 9—The First Sunday in Lent

8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9AM Sunday School
9AM Youth Confirmation Class
9:05AM Adult Forum
10AM Holy Eucharist (sung)
11AM Adult Confirmation Class 11AM
11:15AM Children's Choir Practice
3-5:30PM BYC Practice
4-5PM NA meeting

#### **Upcoming Events**

March 2 Youth Confirmation Classes begin at 9AM

**March 4** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 5:30PM

March 5 Ash Wednesday Services at 12 noon and 7PM

March 8 Youth Mission Trip Training from 9-11AM

March 8 and 12 ECW Rummage Sale 10AM-1PM

March 9 Adult Confirmation Classes begin at 11:00AM.

March 26 Lenten Taize Service with David Cullen at 5:30pm

