



MARCH 2, 2025

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY:
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
WORSHIP AND COMMUNION at 10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE FOR ORGAN

Sixty Short Pieces: 41. Prelude

Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

PEALING OF THE BELL AND SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*Great God of dazzling beauty and overshadowing majesty,
in Jesus Christ, your beloved, we glimpse the image of your glory.
Teach us to listen to him, so that we may hear your voice
and follow your holy way; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

CHORAL INTROIT

Let the Heaven Light Shine on Me

arr. Roland M. Carter (b. 1942)

Let the heaven light shine on me, for low is the way to the upper bright world. Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Pastor: The one who spoke and called light out of darkness now shines in our hearts.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Pastor: The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our midst.

People: The Lord our God is holy!

Pastor: Let us worship God.

*HYMN 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

st. 4 desc. and harm. Antony Baldwin (b. 1957)

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of holy compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal again the light of your glory. But we turn away, happy to have you near, but more comfortable with you at a distance. We speak when we should listen, and act when we should be still. We hold tight to our own agendas and dreams.

Silent prayers of confession are offered.

God of glory, forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON *(sung by the choir)*

Leon C. Roberts (1950-1999)

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

-Greek, 5th/6th century; transl.

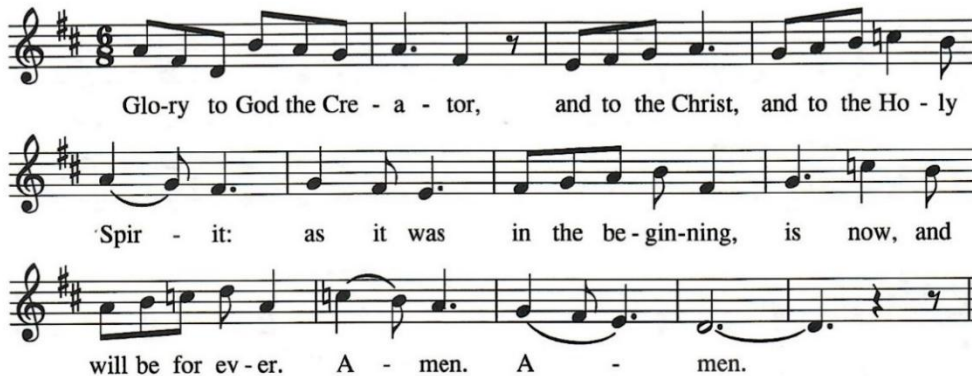
DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: The one who calls light out of darkness now shines in our hearts
to reveal the glory of God.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Ronald A. Nelson, 1986



Glo-ry to God the Cre - a - tor, and to the Christ, and to the Ho - ly
Spir - it: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and
will be for ev - er. A - men. A - men.

-3rd/4th century Latin; transl.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children age 4 through 5th grade may now leave to go to their Sunday School Classes.

Children will return to join their families before Communion.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bob Connor, *lay reader*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 34:29-35

(Pew Bible, Old Testament, page 81)

after each reading:

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 9:28-36

(Pew Bible, New Testament, page 69)

SERMON

"Glory Be!"

Rev. Love

*HYMN (back pages)

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

Hyfrydol

THE RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING (Please visit ryepc.com/give/ or scan the QR Code in our announcements to give online.)

ANTHEM FOR CHOIR AND ORGAN

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

T. Frederick H. Candlyn, 1942

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,

Dark and cheerless is the morn

Visit then this soul of mine!

Christ, the true, the only Light,

unaccompanied by thee;

Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of righteousness, arise!

joyless is the day's return,

Fill me, Radiance Divine;

Triumph o'er the shades of night:

till thy mercy's beams I see;

scatter all my unbelief;

Dayspring from on high be near;

till they inward light impart,

more and more thyself display,

Daystar, in my heart appear.

glad my eyes and warm my heart.

shining to the perfect day. Amen.

-Charles Wesley, 1740

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION AND THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

God of Moses and Elijah, you come to us in a whirlwind of mystery, a swirling tempest, a consuming fire. Yet you come to us speaking of faithfulness and mercy, shining light in our darkness, offering forgiveness for our sin. Therefore we praise you, joining the hymn of the six-winged seraphs who cover their faces as they sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Robert Powell (1932-2025)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-en and
earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est. _____

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a melody with various rhythmic values including eighth, quarter, and half notes, as well as triplets. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

-Isaiah 6:3b, Revelation 4:8, and Psalm 118:25-26

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, the light of the world, shining at the dawn of creation, shining in our hearts this day with a splendor that overshadows all the beauty of heaven and earth. In his face we have seen your glory; through his words, we have heard your truth; by his living and dying and rising, we have come to know the height and breadth and depth of your great love.

With thanksgiving, we remember the bread of life, taken, blessed, broken, and given that we might be holy and whole.

With thanksgiving, we remember the cup of salvation, your new covenant of grace, poured out in love for the world.

Remembering your faithfulness and mercy as we share this bread and cup, we offer ourselves in your service through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Now let us share in your Holy Spirit, poured out in this place, upon us, and upon this bread and cup. In your Spirit, make us one people, one in the promise of Moses, one in the prophecy of Elijah, one in the body of Christ, as we seek to proclaim the good news.

Let our lives shine with Christ's light, a blessing of joy to the living, a beacon of hope to the dying, a sign of your new creation. All this we pray to you, O God, through the gift of your Spirit and in the grace of your Word, to the glory of your holy name. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND POURING OF THE CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

AGNUS DEI *(sung by the choir)*

Eugene W. Hancock (1929-1994)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace. *-based on John 1:29*

Please come forward to receive communion by intinction: take a piece of bread and dip it in a cup.

Wine is in the ceramic cups and grape juice is in the silver chalices.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the station in front of the lectern.

MUSIC FOR SOLO VOICE AND ORGAN

The Hand of Heaven

French melody,
arr. John L. Bell (b. 1949); adapt.

Philip Pacelli, tenor

We who live by sound and symbol, we who learn from sight and word,
find these married in the person of the one we call our Lord.

Taking bread to be his body, taking wine to be his blood,
he let thought take flesh in action, he let faith take root in food.

Not just once with special people, not just hidden deep in time,
but wherever Christ is followed, earthly fare becomes sublime.

Though to sound this seems a mystery, though to sense it seems absurd,
yet in faith, which seems like folly, we meet Jesus Christ our Lord.

God, our Maker, send your Spirit to pervade the bread we break.

Let it bring the life we long for and the love which we forsake.

Bind us closer to each other, both forgiving and forgiven;
give us grace in this and all things to discern the hand of heaven.

-Graham Maule (1958-2019)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ, for the gifts of grace we have received from your hand.
Now send us forth to reflect your light, proclaiming your saving death and resurrection until
you come again in glory. Amen.**

THE SENDING FORTH

***HYMN 667**

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Laudes Domini
st. 4 harm. Carol Tornquist (1945-2022)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE FOR ORGAN *(All are invited into the chancel to listen to the postlude.)*

Fanfare

Peter Niedmann (b. 1960)

*Following the conclusion of this piece, the loudest stop on the organ – the Trompette harmonique –
will not be heard again until Easter, this to observe the more introspective aspects of Lent and Holy Week.*

Welcome to Rye Presbyterian Church

If you are a guest today, we welcome you and hope you are enriched and inspired by this time of worship. You may go to ryepc.com/im-new/ and fill out the welcome form online.

If you or a family member need to step out of the sanctuary during worship, please feel free to do so. There is live audio from the service in the narthex at the back of sanctuary and live video in the church library.

To help children feel welcomed and engaged during worship, Rainbow Bags – filled with crayons, books, and coloring pages – are located in boxes at each sanctuary entrance door. Please return Rainbow Bags following worship.

The sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop assistive listening system. To access the system, please switch your hearing aid setting to “T” (telephone).

Participating in worship:

Annabel Asgeirsson, *crucifer*

Tom Ausfahl, Margaret Blum, Gary Gibson, and Steven Loveless, *ushers*
Sam Altenberger, Ed Avery, Margaret Blum, Gary Gibson, Ashley Ginnings,
Nancy Johnson, Elizabeth Parks, and Sarah Snell, *communion servers*

The white rose at the lectern is in honor of the birth of

Bryon Christopher Gloden Jr., born on Dec 27, 2024, son of Lingsha Liu & Bryon C. Gloden.

In Memoriam:

Elizabeth Prentice Leverich, sister of Margaret Blum, February 20, 2025

TODAY

Coffee Hour will take place in the Assembly Room.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 11:15 a.m., Chapel

Confirmation Class, 5:00 p.m., Westminster Room

Youth Summer Service Trip Preparation Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Westminster Room

THIS WEEK

Monday, March 3

9:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study – Zoom

Tuesday, March 4

1:00 p.m. Women’s Discipleship – Library / Zoom

Wednesday, March 5

9:30 a.m. Women’s Association Monthly Meeting – Youth Rooms

3:45 p.m. Stories and Songs for Children – Westminster Room

6:30 p.m. Middle School Connections – Youth Rooms

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service – Chapel

7:30 p.m. Mission and Outreach Committee – Library

8:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee – Conference Room / Zoom

Thursday, March 6

10:00 a.m. Thrift Shop

5:30 p.m. Coming Home – Library & Westminster Room

6:00 p.m. West Coast Swing Dance Class – Assembly Room

GENERAL NOTICES



ASH WEDNESDAY

March 5, 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Service in the Chapel

2025 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN



As of February 27, here's how our light shines: 242 pledges for \$1,194,100.
Of those 242, 27 are new pledges, and 93 households increased their pledge!

All pledges received by March 6 will be gratefully acknowledged in the March 9 bulletin.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of your gifts to the mission and ministry
of your church - and how together we will Arise and Shine in 2025!

If you haven't yet made your pledge, you can do so here: ryepc.com/stewardship-2025/.



COMING HOME

Coming Home seeks to empower those who are returning to the community from incarceration. The 18-week program offers several volunteer opportunities, including serving as mentors who are paired with participants, as well as cooks who prepare and serve the evening meal. If you are interested in serving contact Program Coordinator, Kevin Bunch, at 914-473-2221 or by email at savedmedic2001@yahoo.com; or Mission and Outreach Committee Liaison, Douglas Carey, at 914-565-6748 or by email at poningoeearthcare@gmail.com.



DAYLIGHT SAVING'S TIME

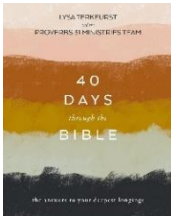
Begins Sunday, March 9

Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour on Sunday, March 9.
We'll see you in the sanctuary!



CHILDCARE

Our team of dedicated staff and volunteers is available to care for children 3 months to 3 years old while parents attend worship services. Childcare can be found on the first floor of the Education Wing. If you have any questions, please reach out to Anne Halloin at ahalloin@ryepc.com.



WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 p.m., in the Library

Please join us for our study of 40 Days Through the Bible by Lisa Terkeurst on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the library. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Alicia Baldwin at alicia.baldwin@verizon.net or Courtney Bennett at courtneybennett910@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible Study meets twice a month on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. We are reading the whole of the Bible. Our upcoming meeting will be on Saturday, March 8. Please join us! For more information, please contact Cynthia Wells at cynthialwells@gmail.com.



WEST COAST SWING DANCE CLASSES

Every Thursday from 6-7 p.m. in the RPC Assembly Room

Taught by Dance Instructor Christopher Bledsoe

\$20/person/session – all levels welcome!

www.westie-night-out.com/

Brought to RPC by the Fellowship and Formation Committee.

Contact Carol Love at cloveny5@gmail.com for more information.



GIVING AT RPC

Online donation options are available on our giving page, at ryepc.com/give/ and through the QR code. Contact Maida Robinson at mrobinson@ryepc.com with any questions. *Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the church.*



RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Sunday, March 9, 11:15 a.m.-1:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room

All are welcome to join us in the annual Rise Against Hunger event! We will come together in the Assembly Room following the 10:00 a.m. service to help package 10,000 meals. The meals we put together that morning will be used as part of school feeding and crisis relief programs. Coffee, lemonade, and pizza will be served!

You can sign up using the link below, or you can scan the QR Code.

ryepc.com/article/rise-against-hunger/





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Sixty Short Pieces: 41. Prelude

Music: Flor Peeters

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Let the Heaven Light Shine on Me

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St. Denio [Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise]

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Lord, Have Mercy

Music: Leon C. Roberts

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Glory to God the Creator

Music: Ronald A. Nelson

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Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Music: T. Frederick H. Candlyn

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Sanctus and Benedictus (Holy, holy, holy Lord!)

Music: Robert Powell

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Lamb of God

Music: Eugene W. Hancock

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The Hand of Heaven

Text: Graham Maule Music arr. John L. Bell

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Laudes Domini [When Morning Gilds the Skies]

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Fanfare

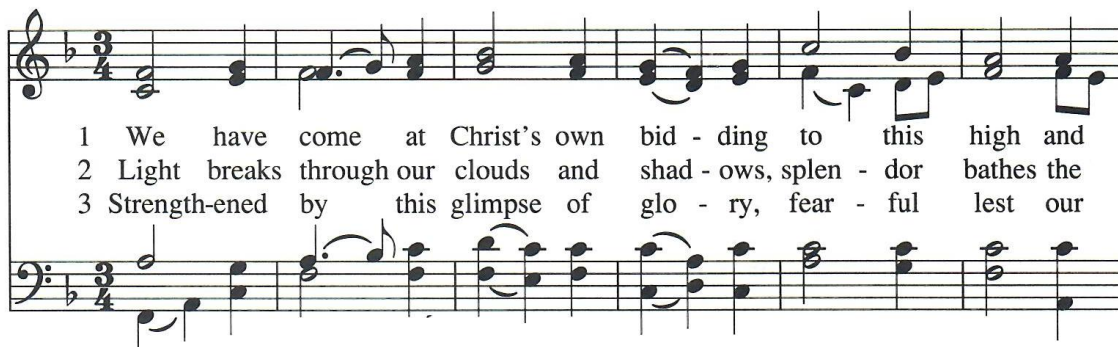
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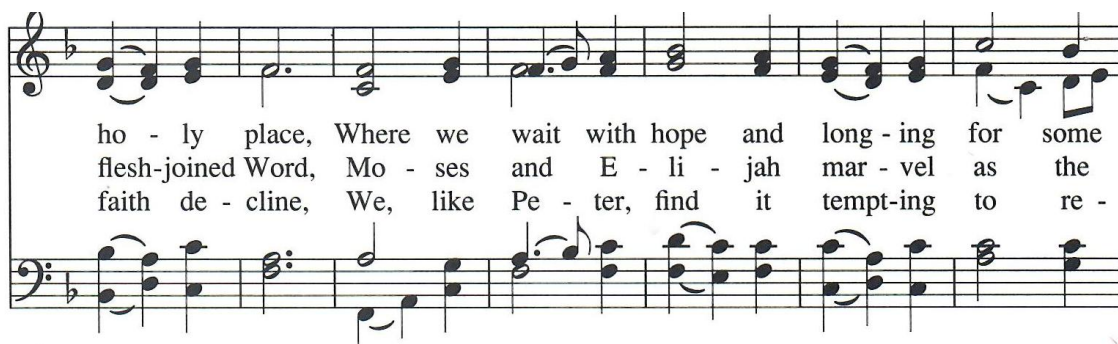
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We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

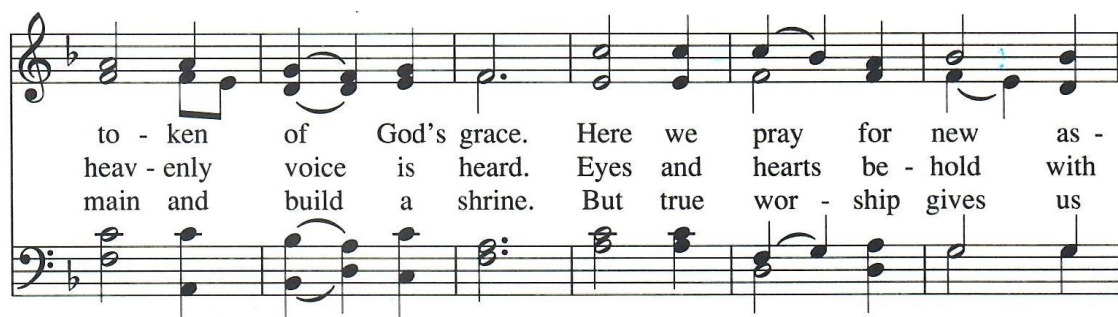
Hyfrydol



1 We have come at Christ's own bid - ding to this high and
2 Light breaks through our clouds and shad - ows, splen - dor bathes the
3 Strength-ened by this glimpse of glo - ry, fear - ful lest our



ho - ly place, Where we wait with hope and long - ing for some
flesh-joined Word, Mo - ses and E - li - jah mar - vel as the
faith de - cline, We, like Pe - ter, find it tempt-ing to re -



to - ken of God's grace. Here we pray for new as -
heav - enly voice is heard. Eyes and hearts be - hold with
main and build a shrine. But true wor - ship gives us



sur - ance that our faith is not in vain, Search - ing
won - der how the Law and Proph - ets meet: Christ with
cour - age to pro - claim what we pro - fess, That our



Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1988

Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1831; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Daniel Love, *Co-Pastor*

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If you need assistance from your pastors, deacons, or a Stephen Minister, please call at (914) 967-0842.*

*If you are experiencing an acute crisis, you can call or text 988
and you'll connect with a mental health professional through the National Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.*

