

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church
1242 W. Queen Street, Hampton, Virginia

The Transfiguration
Sunday, August 6, 2017

8:30 a.m. (spoken)
10:00 a.m. (choral music)

3rd Sundays
Sacrament of Healing



The Very Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey
Rector

Parish Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri. ~ 9 am – 3 pm

*Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices
before entering the Nave.*

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8:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
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ORGAN PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL: “*Order My Steps*”

OPENING HYMN: #7 “*Christ, whose glory fills the skies*”

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP p.355
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People: **And blessed be his Kingdom now and for ever.**
Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 GLORIA~ (LEVAS) 243

Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. 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. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father: Lord God, Lamb of God. Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. 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. 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 the Father. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your

Holy name. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE 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.*

THE LESSONS: 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.

Psalm 99:5-9

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5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 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 Epistle: 2 Peter 1:13-21

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. 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 honor 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. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN: #427 “*When morning gilds the skies*” v. 1, 2

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

According to **Luke 9:28-36**

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

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.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Tom Martin

THE NICENE CREED

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV BCP p.388

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

O Christ our God, you were transfigured on the holy mount and revealed your glory to the disciples in the proportion of what they could bear; Let your everlasting light and glory enlighten us that we may praise worship you: O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, unto the ages of ages.
Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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. **Amen**

THE PEACE

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

People: **And also with you.**

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

WELCOME

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM: (LEVAS)#184 *“Blessed Assurance”*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST~ Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p361-363

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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.

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:

Celebrant and People ~ (The Sanctus – LEVAS 253)

**Holy, 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.**

The people stand or kneel

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament,

and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

As our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we now pray,

(LEVAS 263)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

The Fraction Anthem ~ (LEVAS) 270 ~ Lamb of God

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: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Communion Hymns: (LEVAS)#272 *“Do this in remembrance of me”*

(LEVAS) #153 *“Lord I have seen thy salvation”*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN: #594 “*God of grace and God of glory*”

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

IN OUR CYCLE OF PRAYER: The Angelican Communion
Throughout The World

We Pray for Parishioners: Cornelius Taylor, Mary Robinson, Tinea Savage-Otey, Cora Mae Reid, Cynthia Sutherland, Minnie Stiff, Minnie Bembry, Norma Pinkelton, Connie Daniels, Olive Ezell, Jeannette & Wilbert Lovett, Sylvester & Gwen Newsome, Crystal Diggs, Ron Minor, Donna Davis, Will Canty IV, Vernell Walden, Charles “Butch” Badger, and Deacon Earl Christian.

Friends & Family: Clarence Savage, the Fred Avery, Jr. family, Loretta Ogden, Perry Greene, Lois Martin, Margaret Comegys, Bridget Canty, Clay Cane, Alexa Munoz, Leonard Alexander, Howard Durrah, Cheryl Maxson, Anthony Tabron, Doris Harris, Marcus Reid, Jeannie & Paul Saunders, Beverly Amaya, Lily Holloman, Allison Jordan, Greg & Patrina Newton, Kenneth Bullock, Peggy Winston, Dominique Jordan, the Rev. Martin Bolton, Helena Hawthorne, Tony Leroy Duncan, Carolyn Blissett, Florence Hubbard, Edith & Sana Harris, Jasen Fykes, Ron Durrah, Theodosia Peacock (sister of Connie Daniels), Sylester Babb (sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff), Sophia McCloud (sister of Lucretia Clayton), Frances Batts, Shawna Harris Mathias (sister of Crystal Diggs), Joy Staton, Laura James (co-worker’s wife of Lora Ham), Atlena West (sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff)

We Pray for Those Serving in the Military: *Michael Taylor, Jr.* (nephew of Cornelius A. Taylor, III); *LaToya Artis* (niece of Dr. Minnie Stiff); *Lt. Luke Carpenter, III* (grandson of Bill and Fannie Walls); *John “Holland” Watkins* (son of John & Maria Watkins) U.S.Navy, on-board the USS James E. Williams, PFC. Malik Leonard (*great-grandson of Vernell Walden*)

We welcome all who are visiting today. You are invited to sign our guest book in the narthex and to take with you one of the “Welcome” packets that are in the pew racks. Our hope is that you will find the information helpful. We look forward to your completing and returning the enclosed card and leaflet section so we can get to know you.

Visitors- are cordially invited to join us in Randall Hall for coffee refreshments and fellowship following both services. The 10 o'clock Coffee Hour is hosted by *Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority*.

Altar Flowers today were given in the glory of God by **DeLaine Headen** in honor of her *mother's birthday*. They were also given in the glory of God by **Cynthia Sutherland** in honor of her *daughter's birthday*.

Summer Worship hours began on Sunday, **June 18th**. Worship times will be 8:30 AM & 10 AM until **September 10th**.

Bible Study- will not be held again until Wednesday, **August 23, 2017 at 11:00am**. We will continue our exploration of the Synoptic Gospels – Matthew, Mark and Luke on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. All are welcome.

Electronic Giving:

On-Line giving is now available on our Church website!

1. Click the green Online Giving icon on the Home page.
2. You will be directed to TITHE.LY which is a **secure website** for all of our giving transactions.
3. Create an account.
4. Find a church: Type in St. Cyprian's at the top of the page and be sure to click the arrow at the right of the church name.
5. Enter your information and follow the prompts to make a contribution.
6. You will receive an e-mail and receipt almost immediately.
7. You can also download the free tithe.ly app on your smart phones!

If anyone needs help during the process, you can open a new tab/window and go to <http://get.tithe.ly/contact/>. There you will find a Support tab, a HELP button and a FAQ tab.

We hope this new opportunity will increase your options for making contributions to the important work of the life of our parish.

September Newsletter – Please submit any announcements and/or information that you would like included in the newsletter by **August 19, 2017. Any information submitted after the deadline will be published in the August newsletter.** *Early monthly submissions are always welcome.*

Calendar for the Coming Week

Sun. Aug. 6 th	8:30 AM & 10 AM	-H.E., Rite II
Wed. Aug. 9 th	CANCELED	-Bible Study
Sun. Aug. 13 th	8:30 AM & 10 AM	- H.E., Rite II

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 8:30 – DeLaine Headen
10:00 – Ardelle Anderson

LECTOR: Stacey Hester

ACOLYTES: 8:30 – Alberta Reid

10:00 – Lauren Jones, Lindsey Jones, Billy Walls

ALTAR GUILD: Jean Boyd, Gail Jones, Maria Watkins

USHERS: 8:30 –*Henry Russell, L.C. Wyatt, Alberta Reid, Barbara Ward*
10:00 – Bill Walls, Sam Ewell, Steve Ham

GREETER: Marshal Jackson

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Saint Cyprian's Church is named after Cyprian, the first Bishop of Carthage, North Africa (248-258). He spoke for reconciliation of the Church with those who had denied their faith.

Cyprian was beheaded for refusing to worship pagan gods and deny Christianity.

Thus, he became a martyr of Christ's Church universal.