



TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Year C

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

A reading from Exodus.

²⁹Moses 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.

³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses,
the skin of his face was shining,
and they were afraid to come near him.

³¹But Moses called to them,
and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him,
and Moses spoke with them.

³²Afterward all the Israelites came near,
and he gave them in commandment
all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face,

³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with the LORD,
he would take the veil off until he came out,
and when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded,

³⁵the 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 the LORD.

Word of God, word of life. *or* The word of the Lord.

PSALMODY: Psalm 99

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

A reading from Second Corinthians.

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with complete frankness,

¹³not 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.

¹⁴But their minds were hardened.

Indeed, to this very day,

when they hear the reading of the old covenant,

the same veil is still there;

it is not unveiled since in Christ it is set aside.

¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read,

a veil lies over their minds,

¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit,

and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

¹⁸And 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.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry,
we do not lose heart.

²We have renounced the shameful, underhanded ways;

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.

Word of God, word of life. or The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

The holy gospel according to Luke.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James
and went up on the mountain to pray.

²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed,
and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.

³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to Jesus.

³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus,
which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem.

³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep,
but as they awoke they saw the glory of Jesus
and the two men who stood with him.

³³Just as the men were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus,
“Master, it is good for us to be here;
let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah,”
not realizing what he was saying.

³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them,
and they were terrified as they entered the cloud.

³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said,
“This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!”

³⁶When 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.

[³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain,
a great crowd met Jesus.

³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted,
“Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child.

³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks.

It convulses him until he foams at the mouth;
it mauls him and will scarcely leave him.

⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.”

⁴¹Jesus answered, “You faithless and perverse generation,
how much longer must I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here.”

⁴²While he was being brought forward,
the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions.
But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy,
and gave him back to his father.

^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

The gospel of the Lord.