

Saint George and Saint James
Anglican Parish in the Borough of Queenscliffe

The Transfiguration of the Lord

SUNDAY 5th August 2018.

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Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14

⁹ As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
 and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
 and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
 and its wheels were burning fire.
¹⁰ A stream of fire issued
 and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
 and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending
him.
The court sat in judgement,
 and the books were opened.
¹³ As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
 coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
 and was presented before him.
¹⁴ To him was given dominion
 and glory and kingship,

that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

Psalm 97 (APBA p. 324)

¹ The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice:
let the multitude of islands be glad.

² Clouds and darkness are round about him:
righteousness and justice
are the foundation of his throne.

³ Fire goes before him:
and burns up his enemies on every side.

⁴ His lightnings light the world:
the earth sees it and quakes.

⁵ The mountains melt like wax before his face:
from before the face of the Lord of all the earth.

⁶ The heavens have proclaimed his righteousness:
and all peoples have seen his glory.

⁷ They are ashamed, all those who serve idols
and glory in mere nothings:
all gods bow down before him.

⁸ Zion heard and was glad,
and the daughters of Judah rejoiced:
because of your judgements, O God.

⁹ For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth:
you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰ The Lord loves those that hate evil:
the Lord guards the life of the faithful,
and delivers them from the hand of the ungodly.

¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous:
and joy for the true of heart.

¹² Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous:
and give thanks to his holy name.

2 Peter 1.16-21

¹⁶ 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.

¹⁷ For he received honour 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.'¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Mark 9.2-10

² 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, ³ and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ 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.' ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' ⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. ⁹ 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. ¹⁰ So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean.

Reading sheets for Sunday, Wednesday and Friday Eucharists are usually available a week ahead of time. Prayerful reflection on the readings can be part of preparing ourselves for worship and Holy Communion.

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