Today’s hymns
Entrance 248 ‘Tis good, Lord, to be here
Gradual 544 O raise your eyes on high and see
Offertory 414 Eternal Light! Eternal Light!
Final 513 Lord, the light of your love is shining

Ash Wednesday service in Cologne
The Liturgy of Ash Wednesday, with imposition of ashes, will be at All Saints in Cologne at 7.30pm this Wednesday, 26 February.

Ecumenical church walk
Our annual ecumenical ‘Kreuzweg’ (stations of the cross) walk is on Sunday 8 March. We meet at St. Paulus, Bonn at 5pm and walk to St Cyprian’s church (Adenauerallee 61, 53113 Bonn), pausing for regular reflections along the way. The walk includes a ferry ride across the Rhine.

Evening Prayer and Bible study this week
Evening Prayer and Bible study take place at All Saints in Cologne at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday. All are welcome.

Next week: Sunday School
Children of all ages are warmly invited to join Sunday School during the service next week.

Donation receipts for 2019
All Spendenbescheinigungen (donation receipts) for 2019 have now been issued. If you are expecting one but have not yet received it, please contact our treasurer, Carol Ann Pereira: carol-ann.khatri@t-online.de

Weekly sheet
If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or email: notices@anglicanbonncologne.de. The deadline is 9am on Wednesday for the following Sunday.

Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details. Any data you give us will be kept securely by the church authorities and in no case given to any third parties.

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Collect
Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Old Testament reading – Exodus 24.12-18
On the Mountain with God
12 The LORD said to Moses, ‘Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.’
13 So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God.
To the elders he had said, ‘Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.’

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Psalm 2
Why are the nations in tumult,
and why do the peoples devise a vain plot?
   The kings of the earth rise up,
   and the rulers take counsel together,
   against the Lord and against his anointed:
‘Let us break their bonds asunder
and cast away their cords from us.’
   He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn;
the Lord shall have them in derision.

Then shall he speak to them in his wrath and terrify them in his fury:
‘Yet have I set my king
upon my holy hill of Zion.’
I will proclaim the decree of the Lord;
he said to me: ‘You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.
‘Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for your possession.
‘You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.’
   Now therefore be wise, O kings;
be prudent, you judges of the earth.
Serve the Lord with fear, and with trembling kiss his feet,
lest he be angry and you perish from the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
   Happy are all they
who take refuge in him.

New Testament reading – 2 Peter 1.16-21
Eyewitnesses of Christ’s Glory
16We 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. 17For 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.’

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

Gospel reading – Matthew 17.1-9
The Transfiguration
1Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. 2And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. 3Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4Then Peter said to Jesus, ‘Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.’ 5While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, ‘This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!’ 6When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. 7But Jesus came and touched them, saying, ‘Get up and do not be afraid.’ 8And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.
9As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, ‘Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.’

Post Communion prayer
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.