

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 15, 2026

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Loving God,
our little minds want to understand and explain.
Our grasping hands want to cling.
But your light invites us
simply to behold.
In silence, we listen for your voice,
we gaze at your mystery,
and we open ourselves to your grace.

PRELUDE

Träumerei

R. Schumann

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lucy Lanning

God of love, in the light of the sunrise,
we behold your glory.
In the light of that stars at night,
we behold your mystery.
In the light in each other's eyes,
we behold your presence.
In the light of Christ,
we behold your love.
Light of God, shine upon us.
Light of Christ, shine within us.
Holy Spirit, radiate your goodness through us. Amen.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

Hymnal, No. 193

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Let us pray:

**God of radiant light, we confess that we are a people who are some-
times too comfortable dwelling in darkness.
We say we want things to change, that we do not accept the way things
are.
But, in reality, we want someone else to take care of the changing.
We resist transformation and sometimes do not even believe it is possible.
Forgive our unbelief.
Soften our hearts toward one another and ourselves.
May your Spirit move through and among us.
Make us light bearers for your sake, and for the sake of your people.
Amen.**

(Time for silent reflection)

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory to God

Hymnal, No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World without end, without end. Amen (x3)

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

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Exodus 24:12-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!

Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;

for the Lord our God is holy.

ANTHEM

Fairest Lord Jesus

G. Martin

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 17:1-9

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Our Mysterious Mountaintop Story

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

Hymnal, No. 189

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response:...Our God is a God who hears us, **we will not be afraid.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35

*Please pray the Lord's Prayer
in the language and wording most familiar to you.*

THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

Hymnal, No. 45

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

Invention in F Major, BWV 779

J. S. Bach

*Please rise in body or spirit.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

Lectionary Readings for February 22: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11.

The Food & Shelter items for February are easy open soup (pull tab) and cold weather accessories (hats, gloves, hot hands and socks). **Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.**