



**Morning Worship
9:30 AM
February 15, 2026
Transfiguration Sunday**

RINGING OF THE BELLS

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

♦PASSING THE PEACE

PRELUDE

“Men go abroad to wonder at the heights of mountains, at the huge waves of the sea, at the long courses of the rivers, at the vast compass of the ocean, at the circular motions of the stars, and they pass by themselves without wondering.”

--Augustine of Hippo

♦CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: It is good to be here in this sacred space,

People: in the shelter of God's love and hope.

Leader: It is good to be here with folks we know well, as well as with new friends,

People: joining with all of God's beloved, siblings of Jesus.

Leader: It is good to be here, where we can hear God's voice,

People: calling us to be eyewitnesses to the Spirit's presence.

♦HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

♦CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Leader: We wait for God to show up, and while waiting, do not notice the words we might have spoken, the good we could have done. Let us confess to our God, who waits to surround us with grace and hope, as we pray together, saying,

♦PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

Our judgment often becomes clouded by our foolishness, Sheltering God, and so we make all the wrong choices. We let fancy philosophies draw us away from your grace. The flowery words of politicians can lead us into valleys of worry and despair. Our fears can convince us that those around us are conspiring against us.

You can take all our foolishness, Creative God, and make us wise enough to see you among us. You take the shards of our broken lives to recast us into a faithful people. You speak gently to us, so we can listen to your dreams of our seeing each person as your beloved, even as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, sees us through such eyes.

♦TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

♦ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: On mountaintops and in valleys, in moments when our lives are shrouded and as well as when we reflect Christ's light, God is with us, declaring we are the beloved!

People: **In this moment, in every moment, may we glimpse the grace of God which comes and transfigures our lives. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.**

♦ RESPONSE #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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: As water splashed across our face awakens us in the morn, may your Word awaken us to your presence. Wash us in your wisdom, bathe us in your goodness, refresh us with your grace, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING (CEB)

Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and brought them to the top of a very high mountain. He was transformed in front of them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light. Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Jesus. Peter reacted to all of this by saying to Jesus, "Lord, it's good that we're here. If you want, I'll make three shrines: one for

Matthew 17:1-9

you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, look, a bright cloud overshadowed them. A voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son whom I dearly love. I am very pleased with him. Listen to him!” Hearing this, the disciples fell on their faces, filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.” When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Don’t tell anybody about the vision until the Human One is raised from the dead.”

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to you and to the church.

People: Thanks be to God!

MUSICAL OFFERING *All Things Bright and Beautiful* *John Rutter*

MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN *Vanna Ortiz*

(Children K-5 are then invited to accompany the leader to Children’s Chapel)

SERMON *“Fear and Trembling”* *Seth Finch*

JOYS AND CONCERNSS** *(A Silence)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Greg McCarty*

THE LORD’S PRAYER (First Nations Version)

“O Great Spirit, our Father from above, your name is sacred and holy. Bring your good road to us, where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above is reflected in the earth below. Provide for us day by day—all the good things we need for each day. Release us from the things we have done wrong in the same way we release others for the things done wrong to us. And guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road. AMEN.

OFFERING

♦ **RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #598**

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

Amen, Amen. Amen, Amen.

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

♦**HYMN**

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair 189

Capo 3: (Am) Cm (G) B[♭] (Am) Cm (C) E[♭] (D) F (Em) Gm

1 O won - drous sight, O vi - sion fair
 2 From age to age the tale de - clare,
 3 The law and proph - ets there have place,
 4 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray
 5 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high

of glo - ry that the church shall share,
 how with the three dis - ci - ples there,
 two cho - sen wit - ness - es of grace;
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to day
 by this great vi - sion's mys - ter y,

which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
 where Mo - ses and E - li - jah meet,
 the Fa - ther's voice from out the cloud
 what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
 for which in joy - ful strains we raise

where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 the Lord holds con - verse high and sweet.
 pro - claims his on - ly Son a - loud.
 who joy in God with per - fect love.
 the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

⌘BENEDICTION

⌘POSTLUDE

⌘THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND

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