

Celebrate

Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2026

**GLORY
REVEALED**

First
Church



Celebrate Service - February 15, 2026

WE GATHER

Welcome & Lighting of Candles

Preaching Pastor

Prelude

Centering Words

L: On this Transfiguration Sunday, we gather on the mountaintop with Jesus, wondering what we will encounter.

P: We come to encounter God's glory revealed.

L: We witness the revelation of Christ's divinity made plain before us.

P: We come to witness God's glory revealed.

L: We remember that God's glory is not about spectacle but truth, not about show but about Love made real among us.

P: We come to remember God's glory revealed.

L: We follow Jesus down from the mountaintop into the valleys, as God's glory goes before us and behind us.

P: We come to be sent out to share God's glory revealed. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Song

"O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair"

Opening Prayer

Radiant God, we come to you on the mountaintop to experience your glory. You come to us in the valleys. We meet you in gladness in a place where heaven and earth collide. May our worship of you encourage us on the journey and make us aspire to reflect your kingdom in the world. Transform us and keep us near to you. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM

The Message to Young Disciples

The Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction."

So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God.

To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, 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 Israelites.

Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

L: The Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.

P: Thanks be to God.

The New Testament Lesson

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves.

And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light.

Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.

Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear.

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid."

And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As 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."

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The Message

"Glory Revealed" - Pastor Kory Pritchett

Message in Music

Aldersgate Bell Choir

"Folk Meditation" (a Korean folk song with an Irish Hymn) by Harris

WE RESPOND

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Assisting Pastor

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Assisting Pastor

WE GO FORTH

Song

"The God of Abraham Praise"

The Benediction

Preaching Pastor

The Postlude

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

Charis Vander Plaats, Piano

Prayers

Concerns Shared

Chad McLaughlin, Diana Hoke's nephew
John Anderson
Kim Meyer

Steve and Kim Meyer
All in need of prayer

Those In Memory Care

Jack Gaunt

Pat Staver

Lola Huggins

Active Military

As we update our list of active military personnel, we invite First Church families to share the names of any immediate family members currently serving. Please contact Ronda at rkroeschen@fumcwl.org and include each military member's name and rank.

AWR1 Isaiah Hale

Alex Turco

James Beaty

Worship Team

Audio/Visual

Livestream:

Riley Schellingerhout

Slides:

Brian Martin

Soundboard:

Evora Schellingerhout

Band

Piano:

Charis Vander Plaats

Pastors

Lead Pastor:

Kory Pritchett

Vocals

Alto:

Gail Polles

Soprano:

Anna Clark

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1. O won - drous sight! O vi - sion fair
 2. From age to age the tale de - clares
 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 that 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.

WORDS: *Sarum Breviary*, 1495; trans. by John Mason Neale, 1851

(Mt. 17:1-8; Mk. 9:2-8; Lk. 9:28-36)

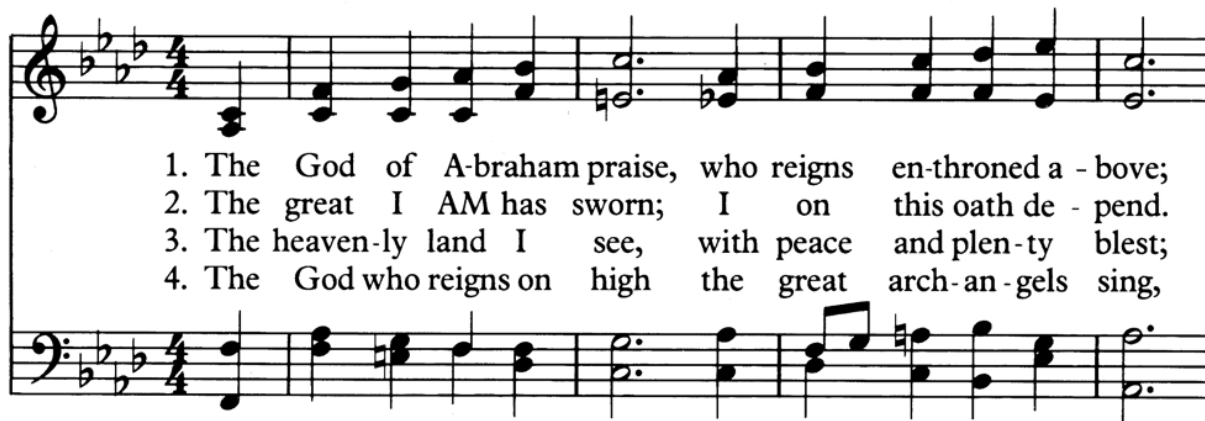
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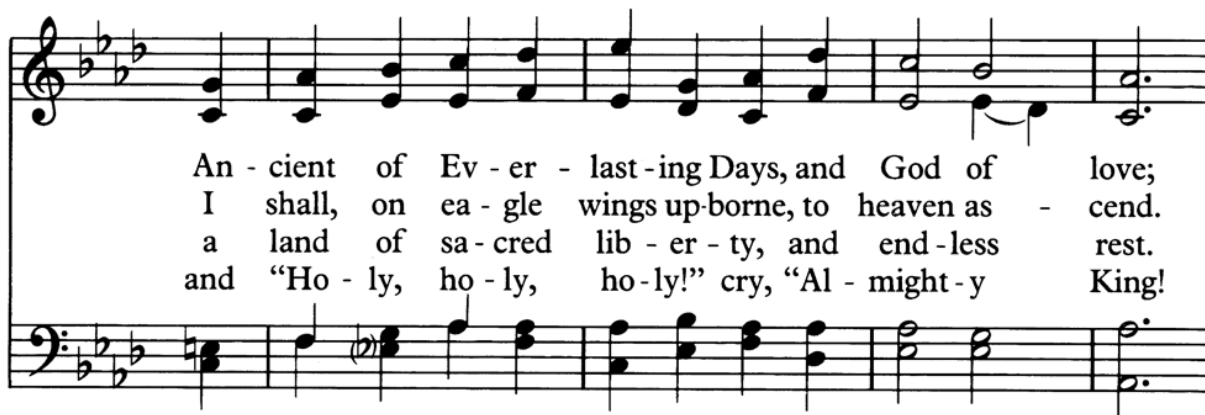
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The God of Abraham Praise

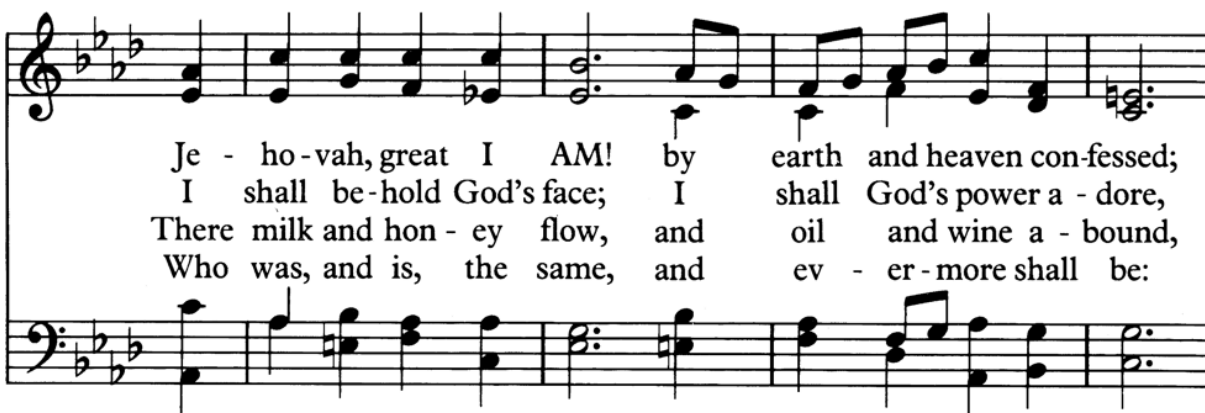
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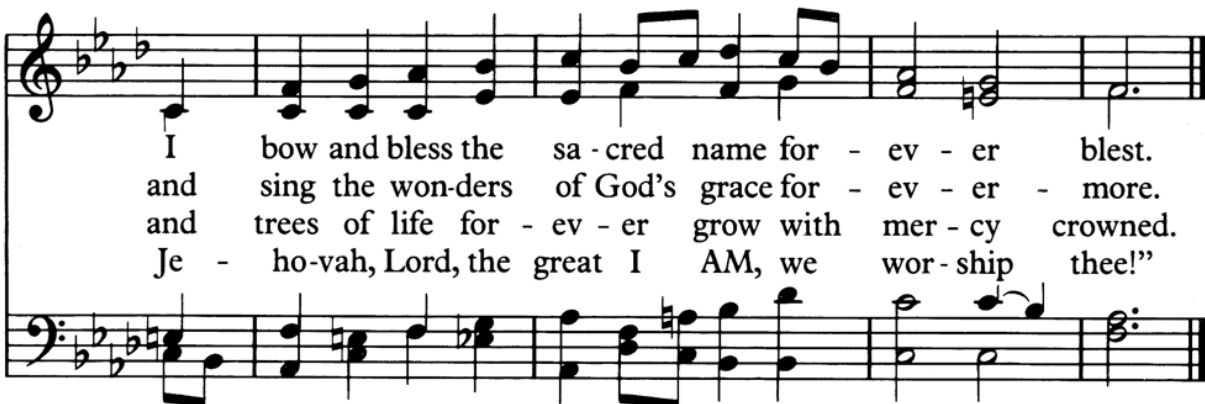
1. The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2. The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath de - pend.
 3. The heaven-ly land I see, with peace and plen-ty blest;
 4. The God who reigns on high the great arch-an-gels sing,



An - cient of Ev - er - last - ing Days, and God of love;
 I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, to heaven as - cend.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty, and end - less rest.
 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!" cry, "Al - might - y King!



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! by earth and heaven con - fessed;
 I shall be - hold God's face; I shall God's power a - dore,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of God's grace for - ev - er - more.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
 Je - ho - vah, Lord, the great I AM, we wor - ship thee!"

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GET INVOLVED

Time to donate to food pantry

March is our month to donate shelf-stable food and plastic bags for the Tippecanoe United Food Pantry, 1314 Tippecanoe St. We partner with 20 other area churches to run and stock the pantry. Put donations in the bins in the Missions area just to the left of the doors as you come in.

Cash donations are especially appreciated so food can be purchase at a steep discount from Food Finders. Send checks to Mary Alice Bauman, Treasurer, Tippecanoe County United Food Pantry, 3116 Sullivan St., West Lafayette, IN 47906.



Feeding our homeless neighbors at LUM

Want to help our homeless neighbors weather the winter storm? In addition to an emergency shelter, Lafayette Urban Ministries provides a winter warming station that also offers a bagged meal. LUM needs 40 bagged meals dropped off 8-9 PM each weekday at the LUM Ray Ewry Center, 525 N. Fourth St., Lafayette. Think sandwiches, fruit and snacks like you'd find in a school lunch bag. Make a party out of it! Get together with others to buy and assemble meals for one night.

You can find guidelines at <https://www.lumserve.org/volunteer/shelter-meal/wws-meals/>



Where to donate

--Trinity Life Ministry operates the non-profit "Lost, Then Found" thrift store at 2324 Shoshone Ct., Lafayette. They accept clothing, electronics, kitchen items, household items, equipment, and furniture, anything that can be resold. Pickup can be arranged. This non-profit supports men and their families with addiction. 100% of the proceeds stay in our community. Phone: 765-742-1060.



Hospitality

We try to meet everyone on Sunday with a cup of coffee or tea, cookies and a warm hello. Can you help?

Our Hospitality Team brews coffee at 8:30 a.m. Sundays, sets out other beverages and treats, and then cleans up at 11:15. The signup sheet is on the counter there. We can break the work into two shifts—one early to set up and one later to clean up.

Our Greeter Team is looking for members for both services. Contact John Norberg, jbnorberg@purdue.edu, 765-426-5474.