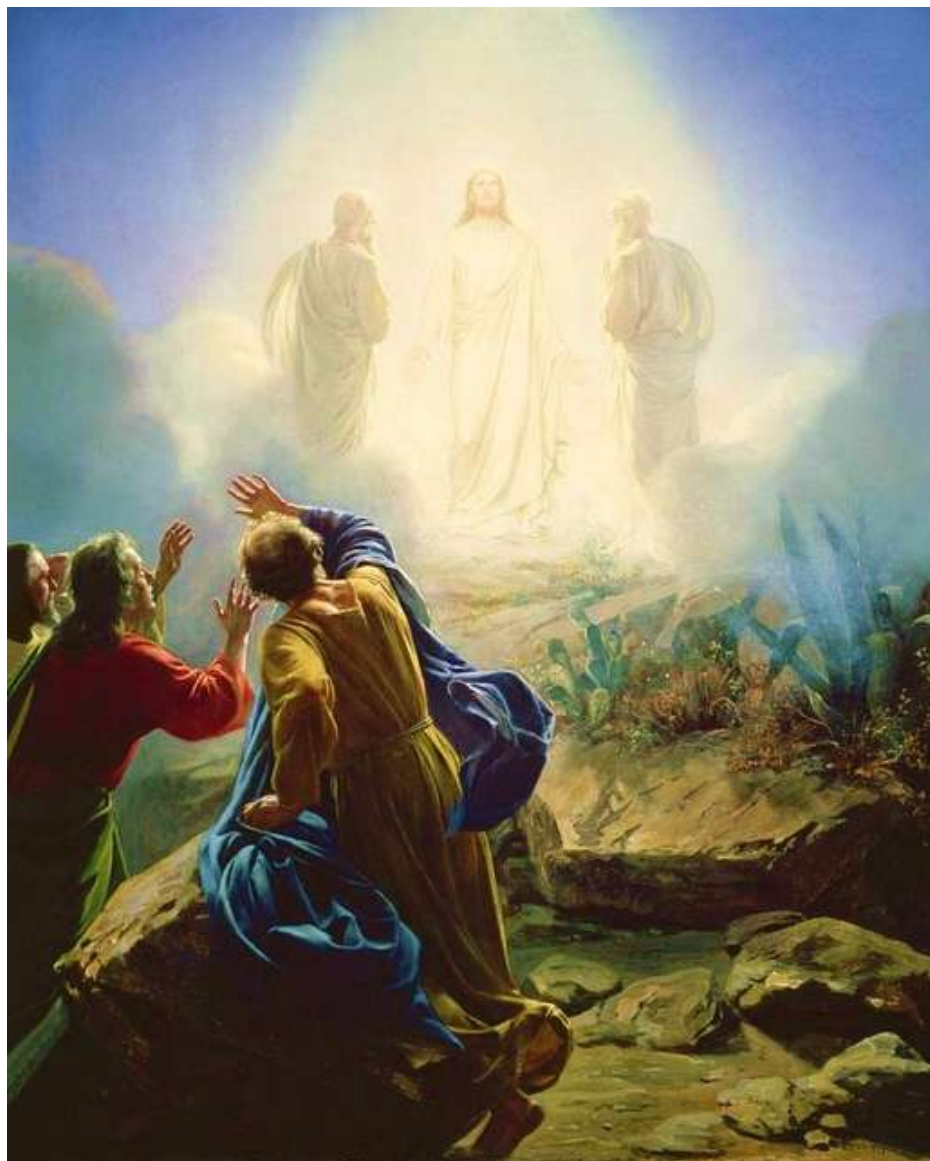


February 15, 2026 ~ 10:30 a.m.

**Welcome to Worship
Transfiguration Sunday
Installation of Officers**



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Prelude and Procession *Prelude in Db Major*
op. 28 #15, "Raindrop," by Frédéric Chopin

Nicki Kearns

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Like on the day of transfiguration, let us enter the cloud of God's presence where the noise of our lives begins to fade. Today we hear again the simple, commanding words from the mountain: "Listen to him." In this hour, may our defenses soften, our assumptions loosen, and our attention turn toward Christ—his voice, his way, his truth. May the Spirit grant us the grace not only to hear, but to receive, trust, and follow.

Introit *Holy, Holy, Holy*, by Franz Schubert

Choir

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Debbie Bates

The Lord has called us to the mountaintop.

We come to see God's glory revealed in Christ.

The heavens open, the light surrounds, the voice declares:

"This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him."

We come in awe and wonder.

People: Let us worship God.

***Hymn PH #75** *O Wonderous Sight, O Vision Fair*, vs. 1,2,4,5

Call to Prayer of Forgiveness and Healing

As we behold the glory of Christ, we also recognize our own shadows. Let us turn to God, whose mercy is deeper than our fear, and seek forgiveness and healing.

Prayer of Forgiveness and Healing (unison)

Debbie

Gracious God, you reveal your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, yet we confess how often we turn from his light. We cling to our own ways, listen to other voices, and resist the change your Spirit brings. You call us beloved, yet we doubt your grace. You show us a path of compassion, but we choose what feels safer or easier. Forgive us, Lord. Heal what is wounded within us, lift the shadows from our hearts, and renew in us the courage to follow Jesus into the world.

(Time for silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness and New Life (responsively)

Debbie

The radiance of Christ's love meets us in our need and makes us new by grace. Friends, believe the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and called into new life. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gloria

Gloria Patri et Filio

*Gloria, gloria, gloria Patri et Filio,
Gloria, gloria, gloria Spiritui sancto.*

*Passing the Peace of Christ

"The Peace of Christ be with you." **"And also with you."**
Let us share a sign of that peace with one another.

Message for Children

Children are invited to go to Sunday School after the Message.

Prayers of the People - God of Life and Hope, Hear our Prayer

*Presbytery Unity Candle: Covenant Presbyterian Church, Palo Alto, and
The Rev. Dr. Jack Cabeness.*

Hymn PH # 73

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory, v. 1 and 3

Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Moment for Mission: Presbytery Legal Aid Relief Fund

Lee Duffus

Anthem

Praise Him!, by Craig Courtney

Choir

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

*Praise God in His sanctuary,
Praise Him for His mighty acts,
Praise Him in the firmament of His power,
Praise Him according to His excellent greatness,
Praise Him!*

*I will extol the Lord, my God,
And I will bless His name forever,
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
The Lord is righteous and holy.*

*The Lord is gracious and kind,
Full of compassion, slow to anger,
His tender mercies are over all His works,
The Lord is good to all.*

Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him!

*Praise God in His sanctuary,
Praise Him for His mighty acts,*

*Praise Him in the firmament of His power,
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Praise Him!*

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

Debbie

Holy God, as Christ shone with your light on the mountain, shine in us now. By your Spirit, illumine your Word so we may hear, trust, and follow. Amen.

The First Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Debbie

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God,

did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

rather, he made himself nothing

by taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man,

he humbled himself

by becoming obedient to death—

even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place

and gave him the name that is above every name,
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Second Reading: Matthew 17:1-9

Diane

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!”

When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. 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 instructed them, “Don’t tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The Rev. Diane Ford

Installation of Officers

Elders Ron Weaver and Michael Christie (*please see insert*)

Call to Offering

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision, Vickie Hancock Wright

Nicki

***Doxology PH #591**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Diane

Holy God, you have shown us the light of Christ on the mountain of worship. Now send us down into the valleys of daily life with renewed hearts and willing hands. May what we have heard and seen today shape our choices, guide our steps, and bear fruit in love and service. We offer ourselves to you in gratitude and trust. Amen.

***Closing Hymn GtG #192 *Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining*, vs. 1 & 3**

Capo 2: (G) (C) (G) (D) (G)

A D A E A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the
 2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, from the
 3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our

(C) (G) (D) (C) (D)

D A E D E

midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the
 shad - ows in - to your ra - diance; by the blood I may
 fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from

(Bm7) (Em7) (C) (D) (Bm7)

C#m7 F#m7 D E C#m7

World, shine up - on us; set us free by the truth you now
 en - ter your bright-ness. Search me; try me; con - sume all my
 glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your

(Em7) (F) (Dsus)(D) (F) (Dsus)(D)

F#m7 G Esus E G Esus E

bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.
 dark - ness. Shine on me; shine on me.
 sto - ry. Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain (G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)

A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Shine, Je - sus, shine; fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

continues...

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (Am/G) (F) (D7sus)(D7)
 A E F#m D A Bm Bm/A G E7sus E7

Blaze, Spir - it, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)
 A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Flow, riv - er, flow; flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)
 A E F#m D A Bm E7 A

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

While the reference to Jesus as the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) can be understood generally, this hymn is perhaps best understood as a response to the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8/Mark 9:2-8/Luke 9:28-36). This is the most popular of the author/composer's many songs.

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SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
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***Blessing and Charge**

***Amen**

Rejoice With a Song, by Edward Broughton

Choir

***Postlude**

Nicki

***We invite all to stand in body or in spirit.**

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal

GH - Gather Hymnal

Special Thanks to Our "Sunday Saints"

Pastor: The Rev. Diane Ford

Music Director: Nicki Kerns

Lector: Debbie Bates

Flowers: Lee and Emily Duffus

Greeters: Sandy and Jerry Thormann

Coffee Hour: Kim Johnston

Usher: Pete Halper

Audio/Video/Zoom Techs: Chad Bell, Chuck Cobery, Rosie Bell

Announcements

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church Are you new today? We look forward to getting to know you. Please fill out a visitor welcome card and place it in the offering plate during the Call to Offering. After worship, join us for coffee/refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. We're glad you're here!



The installation and ordination of officers. Today we install Ron Weaver as an Elder, and reinstall Michael Christie for a second term on Session. On a future Sunday, we will ordain and install Gigi Giannini as a deacon.

Legal Aid Support. The Presbytery of San Jose is sponsoring an opportunity for members and friends to financially support legal representation for people facing the threat of ICE deportation. **The Trinity Mission Committee has allocated up to \$500 in matching funds**, and we invite each of you to support this program. Furthermore, contributions up to \$15,000 will be matched by the Presbytery. If you wish to support, make your check payable to Trinity, and designate "legal defense fund" in the memo line.

An Ash Wednesday Service will be held in the sanctuary on February 18 at 6:00 pm. Pastor Diane and Larry Vilaro will co-lead the service which will include the Imposition of Ashes.

Book Club. We gather on the third Monday of each month at 10 o'clock in the morning in the fireside room. Hope to see you on February 16.

Happy Hour, Thursday February 19. Join us for fellowship at Johnny's Harborside on from 4-6 pm.

The 9th Annual Great Chili Cook-Off! All are invited to this fundraiser on Friday, February 20, from 6-8 pm. Enjoy the best chili in the County at Twin Lakes Church, Building 7000, 2701 Cabrillo College Drive, Aptos.

Please continue to remember these people and situations in your prayers.

- The Thormann Family: mourning the passing of Helen's husband, Jerry's brother-in-law.
- Marta Narus: preparing for successful back surgery.
- Musicians performing with the UCSC Guitar Ensemble concert, including the Lawton's grandson: thankful for the opportunity to experience world renowned composers and performers.
- Diana Dean: recovering from broken hip surgery.
- Brothers and sisters in Ukraine, pawns in geopolitical warfare: praise for their steadfast loyalty and defense of their homeland.
- Winter Olympic athletes: safety and admiration for their accomplishments.
- Rosie Bell: gratitude for her participation in the Fusion Dance Program at Pacific Collegiate School.
- Glenn Joy: anticipating successful eye surgery.
- Ryan Althaus: negotiating indeterminate health issues.
- Neighborhood relationships: peaceful resolution.
- Political leaders throughout the world: like the prodigal son, being led to common sense and repentance.
- Aaron's friend, Francisco: dealing with serious vision issues.
- First Presbyterian Church of Mountain View and Pastor Kim Dorr-Tilley: gratitude for their spiritual and membership growth.

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