

***Welcome to St. Philip's on-the-hill!***

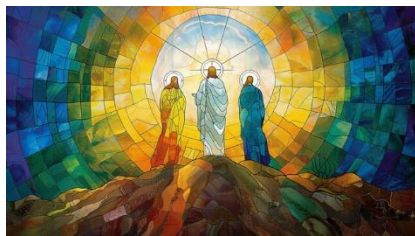
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

**TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**

*"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Matthew 17.5*

**10:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST**

*Musical Setting for the Holy Eucharist is the St. Philip's Service by R. Edward Gilchrist*



**PRELUDE** *Plainsong Variations on "Creator of Light"*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* CP 2

**WELCOME**

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

*We've included crosses at traditional places in the service where the congregation may want to cross themselves as an act of worship.*

**Celebrant:** The ✠ grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**Celebrant:** Almighty God,

**All:** to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**GLORIA**

**Celebrant:** Glory to God in the highest,

**All:** and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father. We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us: You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One. You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen, Amen, Amen.

**THE COLLECT FOR TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**All:** 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.** (*Church of England, Common Worship*)

*Please be seated.*

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

*The Rev. Stephen Kern*

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**A Reading from the Book of Exodus**

*Anne Kern*

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." 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. (24:12-18)

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 99**

*Michael Harding*

*Refrain:* You God, alone, are the Holy One.

**THE GOSPEL:**

*Cantor:* Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

*All:* **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

*Cantor:* "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

*All:* **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

*Gospeler:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

*Gospeler:* The †Holy Gospel of our †Lord Jesus Christ †according to **Matthew.**

*All:* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**GOSPELER:**

*Judith Brunton*

† 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 dazzling white. 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 make three

dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While 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!" 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 looked up, 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." (17:1-9)

*Gospeler:* The Gospel of Christ

**All:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

*The Rev. Lorraine Runza*

### **AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTLES CREED**

*Celebrant:* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Let us sit or kneel to pray.*

**PRAYER SONG:** *Jesus, Name Above All Names*

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Gail Dickie*

*Petition:* Come, Lord Jesus, Come **Response:** Help us to listen.

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Celebrant:* 'I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink.'

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

'I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me.'

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

'I was sick and you did not visit me, in prison and you did not come to me.'

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have †mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you with all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Please stand.*

### **THE PEACE:**

*Celebrant:* God has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation.  
First be reconciled to one another.  
The peace of the Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** *Jesus, on the Mountain Peak* CP 169

### **THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

*Celebrant:* Holy God, receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please take a posture of prayer, sitting, standing or kneeling.*

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people.

You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant:* Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “ Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “ Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.

*All:* **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life.  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

*Celebrant:* Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All:* **Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* As our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray,

*All:* **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant:* We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

*All:* **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light**

**and life.**

**AGNUS DEI:**

***All: Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.***

**Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The gifts of God for the people of God. *All: Thanks be to God.*

*All are welcome at the table of Our Lord. To receive a blessing, fold your arms across your chest. Please signal the communion minister if you would like a gluten-free wafer.*

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion for those worshipping at home**

*Celebrant:* Church, we have friends worshipping online or others who may not be able to receive Communion today. Let us pray together in solidarity to receive Christ anew in spiritual communion.

**All:** Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness. In your name I pray. Amen.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding* CP 166

*'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here* CP 167

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

## THE DOXOLOGY

*Celebrant:* Glory to God,

**All:** whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

### RECESSIONAL HYMN:

*The Church's One Foundation* CP 525

## THE COMMISSIONING

*Leader:* One in heart and one in mind, and empowered by the Spirit, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All:** In the name of Christ. Amen.

## POSTLUDE:

## *Festive Postlude, Peeters*

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### **MINISTERING IN THE SERVICE TODAY**

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Stephen Kern; **Preacher:** The Rev. Lorriane Runza; **Liturgical Assistant:** Judith Brunton; **Organist:** Kevin Parks; **Cantor:** Michael Harding; **Reader:** Anne Kern; **Bread:** The Rev. Stephen Kern, The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Chalice:** Judith Brunton, Pres Harrison; **Prayers:** Gail Dickie; **Video/Sound:** Brian Cheung; **Greeters:** Mabel Ifejika, Jenny Brunt; **Sunday School:** Tracy Nwonyimi, TBD; **Chancel Guild:** Judith Prentice, Judith Brunton, Christine Herbert, Connalyn Willoughby; **Counters:** Ivor Pavamani, Agatha McPhee

### **TODAY**

#### *Transfiguration of the Lord*

#### ***Prayers for the Week***

##### *Household Prayer: Morning*

God, as this new day dawns, may your Spirit guide my feet and reveal you to me in new ways as I walk through your world today. Amen.

##### *Household Prayer: Evening*

Holy One, thank you for the gift of this day. Whatever has happened, whatever I've done and left undone, help me hear the voice of Jesus tonight, telling me to go to sleep as I am and not be afraid. Amen.

*(from Feasting on the Word, Year A, Vol.1)*

### **HAPPENINGS ON-THE-HILL**

**February 16** Family Day – Office Closed

**February 17** 4:30 pm Youth and drama groups – CANCELLED

6:30 pm Mardi Gras Dinner & Evening Prayer

**February 18** 11:00 am & 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Services

**February 19** 6:45 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study

10:00 am Women's Bible Study

Renovations Start

**February 21** 9:00 am Lenten Retreat with Bishop Peter Fenty

5:00 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

**February 22** 10:00 am 1st Sunday in Lent, The Rev. Stephen Kern,  
Celebrating and preaching

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**March 1** Annual Vestry Meeting  
**March 7** Family Farm Fun Sledding  
**March 16-20** March Break

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**SIGN UP TODAY IN THE  
NARTHEX!**

**“And the darkness did  
not overcome it...”  
*John 1:5***

**The theme, "Light in the midst of darkness" speaks to experiences we all share-the moments of fear, uncertainty, loss or challenge may be overwhelming and place a dark cloud over us. How do we get out from under the cloud?**

**Take this time to pause from your daily routines, and open yourself for deeper reflection, prayer, and spiritual renewal.**

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## **Jesus, Name Above All Names**

**Jesus, name above all names,  
beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord,  
Emmanuel, God is with us,  
blessed Redeemer, living Word. (Repeat)**

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