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Matthew 17:5

Grace Presbyterian Church
Fort Wayne, IN
February 15, 2026

Transfiguration of the Lord
Community Worship on Zoom – Live Stream/Replay on Facebook

Sunday Service – February 15, 2026

How can we pray for you? Let us know in the Zoom/Facebook Chat!

We invite you to join in the liturgy by speaking the parts in ***BOLD*** with us from your homes!

10:15 – Zoom Meeting Starts ~ ~ ~ 10:20 – Facebook Live Stream Starts

10:30 – Live Prelude Starts

The Power of Your Love by Bullock

Presentation of the Colors

Welcome

Call to Worship –

Come, you who are tired and carrying heavy burdens.

We come to the mountain of God, seeking mercy and light.

Come, you who long for clarity and courage.

We come, trusting God's presence even in the cloud.

The glory of the Lord is not distant; Christ draws near.

We will listen for the voice of God.

Let us worship God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

With awe and gratitude, we worship. Amen.

Opening Hymn #193 “Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”

Call to Confession –

On the mountain, the disciples wanted to stay where it was safe and bright. But Jesus leads them down into real life—into need, struggle, and love. Trusting God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession –

Holy God, we confess that we do not always listen to your Son. We chase bright moments, but resist the daily path of discipleship. We want quick answers, yet grow impatient in the cloud of not-knowing. We fear what we cannot control, and we turn inward when you call us outward.

Forgive us. Touch us with your grace. Lift us when we fall. Teach us again to listen—and to follow Jesus down the mountain, into lives marked by compassion, justice, and faithful love. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Time for silent confession

Assurance of Pardon —

Hear the good news: When the disciples were afraid, Jesus came to them, touched them, and said, "Get up and do not be afraid." In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and set free to walk in newness of life.

Thanks be to God.

Song of Assurance #583 "Glory to God"

Passing the Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace and Love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

Please take a moment to greet your neighbor and others with the peace of Christ.

Children's Message

Time for Music & Meditation

Prayer for Illumination

Let us pray: God of glory, as you spoke from the cloud and named your beloved Son, speak to us now through your Word. Open our ears to listen, our minds to understand, and our hearts to follow, so that Christ may be revealed in us and among us. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Hebrew Bible — Exodus 24: 12-18

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12 The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here,

and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction.”

13 Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God. 14 He said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we come back to you. Aaron and Hur are with you, and anyone involved in a dispute can go to them.”

15 When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, 16 and the glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the Lord called to Moses from within the cloud. 17 To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. 18 Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Choir Anthem

Scripture Reading: Gospel – Matthew 17:1-9

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After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. 2 There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. 3 Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

4 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.”

5 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!”

6 When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. 7 But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.” 8 When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

9 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.”

Message

This is My Beloved

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of Response #11 “Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud”

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

God of cloud and flame, God of dazzling light,
we give you thanks for your presence—when we feel confident and when we feel unsure.

We pray for your Church: make us a people who listen to Jesus, who worship with awe, and who follow with courage.

We pray for the world you love:
for places marked by war and violence, for leaders and communities in conflict, for all who live under fear—bring your peace.

We pray for all who are suffering:
the sick, the grieving, the lonely, the overwhelmed,

and those who feel like they are walking through a cloud of uncertainty. Touch them with your mercy. Lift them with your strength.

We pray for our own congregation in this season: as we seek your guidance and take faithful steps forward, make us steady-hearted, open-handed, and full of hope.

We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, our Savior and Lord... who taught us to pray, saying:

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.

Call to Offering

On the mountain, God reveals glory. In the valley, God calls for faithful love. We give our offerings not to earn God's favor, but to respond to God's grace—so that Christ's light may be seen in our community and beyond. Let us give with grateful hearts.

Offertory

Wonderful Grace of Jesus by Lillenas

Doxology #606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Dedication –

Let us pray. Gracious God, receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and trust. Use them to shine your light in places of need, to strengthen your Church for service, and to help us follow Jesus with courage and compassion. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Charge & Benediction

Retiring of the Colors

Postlude *Stand Up for Jesus* by Webb

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ash Wednesday: Grace will be joining the Welcoming Community at United's campus – 1616 W. Main street at 6:00 PM for the service.

Annual Lenten Study: Grace's annual Lenten Bible study begins Wednesday, February 25th. The weekly study runs each Wednesday of Lent, 5:30-6:30 PM. There will be a thirty-minute fellowship time before the start time (at 5:00 PM). Those attending are encouraged to bring their dinners to eat during that time.

This is a book study more information and form that you can sign if you'd like us to order you a copy (\$7.24). Contact Holly for more information.

Session Reports: If you are responsible for a report, please get it to Justin no later than Thursday, February 19th. That's next Thursday. Also, a reminder that our next Session will be meeting March 1st, not our usual third Sunday.

Save the Date-Ordination: Sandy's ordination is set for March 15th, at 3 PM.

Updated Directory: The new 2026 directories in the narthex.

2026 Per Capita: The new PCUSA 2026 per capita is now \$46.02. Check or money can be given to JoAnn or placed in the offering plate with notice of what it's intended for.

Birthdays

Harley Allen - February 21
Aaron Bowers - February 23
Damian Polk - February 25

Anniversaries

Aaron & Cindy Bowers
February 16, 1985

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

To connect to our worship services on Zoom, follow these instructions to watch or listen. You can connect at 10:15 for fellowship; the service starts at 10:30.

Option 1: Automatically Join the Meeting

Follow the link in the email sent every week. This is by far the easiest way to connect to the live video.

Option 2: Manually Join the Meeting

You can download Zoom from <https://www.zoom.us>.

After you have installed the program/app, click on “Join” and enter this information:

Meeting ID: 9712063468 **Password:** 030414

Option 3: Call in to Listen (Audio Only)

On Sunday Morning, you can call to listen to the service. After you call, it will ask you to enter the Meeting ID and Password Below:

Phone Number: (301) 715-8592 **Meeting ID:** 9712063468 **Password:** 030414

193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain, where, with Pe - ter,
 2 What do you want us to see there, that your close com -
 3 What do you want us to hear there, that your dear dis -
 4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain where we see you
 5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, ris - en and as -

James, and John, we are daz - zled by your glo - ry,
 pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there
 ci - plies heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en
 glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed "It is fin - ished!"
 cend - ed Lord, can - not help but tell the sto - ry,

light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us
 fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like
 says of the In - car - nate Word, "Lis - ten, lis - ten,
 where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -
 all that we have seen and heard; say with Pe - ter,

Some version of the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-9/Mark 9:2-9/Luke 9:28-36) is always read on the last Sunday after the Epiphany. In this text that foretaste of Christ's glorification helps to prepare Peter, James, and John for their roles as proclaimers of "God's beloved Son."

TEXT: Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1991

MUSIC: Joachim Neander, 1680; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863, alt.
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for the night by the vi-sion of that sight.
 ours you go, matched to meet our dead-liest foe.
 ev-ery-one: this is my be-lov-ed Son."

SERVICE MUSIC

Glory Be to the Father 581

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the
 Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-
 gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be,
 world with-out end. A-men, a-men.

606 Praise God, from Whom
 All Blessings Flow
 Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise *him, all creatures
 here be - low; praise *him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*Or "God"

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709
 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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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!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.