

# FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Transfiguration Sunday*

March 2, 2025

11:00 A.M.

\*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

\*\*Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for  
worship.

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**\*\*PRELUDE**

“The Call to Victory”

David Paxton

**WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

**People: Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.**

Leader: Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

**People: Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious  
directions.**

Leader: Place your trust in the Lord in all your ways.

**People: Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you.**

**ALL: AMEN.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** “O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair” UMH # 258

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*“A Creed for Transfiguration of the Lord” (by Rev. Julia Seymour)*

Our hope is God, our holy Parent,

who makes all things and from whom all blessings flow.

God’s faithfulness is the anchor of our hope.

Our trust is in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

More than a teacher,

His life, death, and resurrection giving meaning to our existence.

Christ’s faithfulness tethers us to holy mystery.

Our trust is in the Holy Spirit.

Blowing over and through creation, unexpected and untamed,

The Spirit stirs forgiveness, fruitfulness, and creates families.

The Spirit’s faithfulness ties together past, present, and future.

Holy Trinity, One God, we believe you transfigure our faith. Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

“Glory Be to the Father”

UMH # 70

**ANTHEM**

"I Believe this Is Jesus"

by Victor C. Johnson

Soloist: Sherri Sutter

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE****PRAYER CHORUS** "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

UMH # 349

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: We want to celebrate. We don't want to listen. We want to stay on the mountaintop with Jesus and set up a festival where everyone can come and play and have a good time. We want our faith to be one of entertainment. But you have called us to "Listen to Him!" You have asked us to be ready for the journey. We cannot stay where we are, comfortable and snuggled down in the familiar. There is much to be done. Forgive us, Lord, when we are stubborn and willful. Remind us that you are with us, wherever we are. You call us from the mountaintop to go to the valley where this is struggle and strife; where healing is needed. Prepare us, Lord, for the journey. Help us to listen to you. Heal us, Lord. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

**PRAYERS OF PETITION**

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

Pastor: Lord in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our Prayer.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER****\*HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

"Awesome God" TFWS # 2040

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON**

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

**SERMON***Transfiguration of the Heart*

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

**OFFERTORY**

"To Seek Within"

Gerald Peterson

**\*DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH # 94**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING****SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION****PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING** Hymnal 17-18 (Musical Setting A)**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP***Everyone is invited to receive communion.*

*You do not need to be a member of this or any church.*

**\*SENDING HYMN**

“Be Thou My Vision”

UMH # 451

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

“A Day for Rejoicing”

Lani Smith

## **ACTIVITIES – March 2– March 9**

### **Monday, March 3**

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

### **Wednesday, March 5**

Pantry Delivery Truck Time 11:00 A.M.

### **Ash Wednesday Service 3:30 P.M.**

Pantry 6:00 P.M.

### **Thursday, March 6**

Chancel Bells 6:30 P.M.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 P.M.

### **Friday, March 7**

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

### **Saturday, March 8**

Men's Meeting at Bob Evans 8:30 A.M.

Pantry & Legal Clinic 10:00 A.M.

### **Sunday, March 9**

Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

**Pastor:** Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

#### **Pastor's Office Hours:**

Mon. & Wed. 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm. Please call 614-353-2664 for appointments through the week (Fri. & Sat. emergency only.)

#### **Administrative Assistant Office Hours:**

Mon. – Fri. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

#### **Administrative Assistant**

Carol McDougle

#### **Director of Music**

Michelle Forshaw

#### **Church Musician**

Michele Delduca

#### **Treasurer**

Fred Poland

#### **Pantry Resource Coordinator**

Donna McCoy

#### **Audio Visual Technician**

Roger Christian

#### **Toddler Room Attendant**

Oscar Ndayisaba

#### **Church Custodian**

Vance Garner

## **TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS**

### **Worship Leader**

Judith Mathes

### **Greeter**

Wayne Hounshell

### **Trustee**

Jan Mains

### **Toddler Room Assistant**

Jackie Mergler

## **VAN DRIVER FOR MARCH 9**

**Van Request: Wayne -- 937 - 369-7040**

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

## **LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

- [Deuteronomy 26:1-11](#)
- [Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16](#)
- [Romans 10:8b-13](#)
- [Luke 4:1-13](#)

## **PANTRY FOOD TRUCK DELIVERY**

Pantry food truck delivery Wednesday March 5, 11 A.M. Please volunteer to help unload & restock.

## **PRAYER MINISTRY**

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.

## **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

Please join us as begin the Season of Lent with our annual Renewal Hour Ash Wednesday service on March 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm in the Chapel.

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