

# *Tryon Presbyterian Church*

February 15, 2026 - 10:30 am

## **Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday**

*To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who love God and their neighbor.*

### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD**

#### **BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND LOVE OF CHRIST**

##### **PRELUDE**

“Beautiful Savior”

Jane Wilson  
Phil Lehenbauer

##### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Lynnette Sills

##### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Great is the Lord,

**exalted among the nations.**

Mighty is the Lord,

**king of heaven and earth.**

Holy is the Lord,

**beyond our understanding.**

##### **†HYMN**

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Hymnal Number 12  
Tune: ST. DENIO

##### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Rev. Lynnette Sills

**Magnificent God, we cannot stand before the glory of your presence. You shine with divine light, and we are overwhelmed by your goodness. Lift us in your mercy, release us from our fear, and fill us with your Spirit, that we might reflect your light and share your love, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.**

*Silent prayers and personal confession*

Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

## **†RESPONSE**

“Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me” (Refrain)

Hymnal Number 71

Tune: FIRST SONG

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD**

### **TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Amy McGrath

*Children may be dismissed to Children's Church.*

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Mark Hereward

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 24:12-18 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, Old Testament page 70

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **ANTHEM**

“Immortal, Invisible”

Chancel Choir

Welsh Melody, arr Eric Thiman

### **SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 17:1-9 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 18

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **SERMON**

“When the Light Speaks”

Dr. Allan Purtill

## **†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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. - *The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version*

## **PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 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.

## **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **OFFERTORY**

"Morning Has Broken"

Jane Wilson  
Gaelic Melody

### **†DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymnal Number 606  
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

### **†PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

### **†HYMN**

"O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair"

*(verse 1 - choir only, verses 2-5 - everyone)*

Hymnal Number 189  
Tune: DEO GRACIAS

## **SENDING OF THE CHURCH**

### **†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Dr. Allan Purtil

### **†CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT AND LOVE INTO THE WORLD**

### **POSTLUDE**

"Trumpet Tune"

Jane Wilson  
Jean-Joseph Mouret 1682-1738

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*†The congregation is invited to rise in body or spirit.*

*Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available.*

# Welcome!

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone who is visiting with us this morning. If you haven't done so, please be sure to pick up a welcome packet from one of the ushers this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill. We hope that you will find the warmth and love of God in worship today.

## Ministry for Children

We welcome all children and infants in worship - they are at home in God's house! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it! We do have nursery care available for children ages 0-2 in "The Manger". Following the "Time with Children", children ages 3-7 are welcome to remain in worship or attend Children's Church in "The Ark". For all other children and youth, we have worship bags available in the Narthex.

## Peanut Butter & Jelly Drive

What do peanut butter and jelly do around the campfire? They tell "bread-time" stories! During the month of February, we will be collecting peanut butter and jelly to stock our Blessing Box. Help us to show love for our neighbors with these simple, nutritious pantry staples.

## Souper Bowl Sunday

The Souper Bowl Sunday fundraiser has been postponed: pickup will now be on Sunday, February 22nd. Chicken soup and vegetarian vegetable soup will be available to order Sunday, February 8th and 15th in the narthex following worship or by calling/texting Stephanie Greene at 646-612-0878. Soup is \$10 each and all proceeds will go to the Black Mountain Children's Home

## Spaghetti Dinner/Ash Wednesday Service

Our Spaghetti Dinner has been rescheduled for February 18th at 5:00 pm. The dinner will be followed by our Ash Wednesday Service at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. Contact [jacque.headden@gmail.com](mailto:jacque.headden@gmail.com) for dinner reservations.

## Save the Date

Pictures for a new Church Directory will be made on Saturday, March 21st and Sunday, March 22nd following worship. Sign up for a time slot today in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a sitting fee of \$10.

## **Sunday Lent Study**

Our six week Lent Study will kickoff Sunday, February 22nd at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall with breakfast and will end on Palm Sunday. This lenten season the adults will be studying the book, "An Unlikely Lent" by Rachel Billups while the children will be studying "Growing in Grace & Gratitude". If you would like to participate in this study, please contact Amy McGrath by Sunday, February 15th to ensure we have enough books for everyone! We hope you will be able to join us as we prepare our hearts for Easter!

## **PW Chili Cook Off**

The Presbyterian Women are hosting a Chili Cook Off on Saturday, March 7th at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy delicious chili, potato soup, salad and desserts. Kids 12 and under eat fee, and adults are \$10.00. The winning chef will receive an engraved spoon and their name added to the plaque that hangs in the Fellowship Hall. Don't miss this tasty night of food and fellowship! Chili entry forms and guest signup sheets are available in the Narthex. For questions and sign-up information see Deanna Bancroft after worship.

## **Lenten Small Group: Starts February 25th**

*"I say to you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven."*

We know these words of Jesus recorded in Matthew, but we do not always know how to do them. How do we love people we consider our enemies? How do we pray for them? You are invited to spend time considering what these words and directives from Jesus mean and how we might encourage one another in applying them to our lives and our prayer practices.

This group will meet on Wednesdays during Lent at 2:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Rev. Lynnette Sills will guide us with books, resources and prayer as we turn our attention toward the paths Jesus invites us to walk, leaving behind the things that too often hinder our journey.

## **Music notes**

Our final hymn today, *O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*, may be new to some but it is based on the 15<sup>th</sup> century hymn tune, DEO GRACIAS. The text honors our scriptural emphasis today at Christ's Transfiguration.

# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

## **Sunday, February 15**

*Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday*

9:30 am Safe Sanctuaries Training - JCR

10:30 am Worship - S

11:45 am Acolyte Training - Narthex

11:45 am Shepherd Meeting - FH

## **Monday, February 16**

4:30 pm Personnel Committee - JCR

5:30 pm AA Meeting - CR

## **Tuesday, February 17**

10:00 am Mom's Bible Study - EB

12:00 pm Staff Meeting - JCR

4:15 pm Children's Choir - CR

## **Wednesday, February 18**

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR

5:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner - FH

6:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service - S

6:00 pm Girl Scouts - EB

## **Thursday, February 19**

11:30 am Rotary Club of Tryon - FH

1:00 pm Rotary Board Meeting - JCR

3:30 pm Bell Choir - CR

## **Friday, February 20**

## **Saturday, February 21**

## **Sunday, February 22**

*First Sunday in Lent*

9:30 am Lent Study - FH

10:30 am Worship - S

**S**=Sanctuary; **FH**=Fellowship Hall; **EB**=Educational Building; **JCR**=Jones Conference Room; **CR**=Choir Room; **PS**=Pastor's Study; **TE**=Tryon Estates; **WO**=White Oak

# We Remember in Prayer...

## MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Joanne Alderman  
Donna Croft  
Donald Hawthorne  
Judy Warden  
Betsy Zeek

## TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Mimi Child  
Margaret Covington  
Camilla Dick

## LAURELWOODS - COLUMBUS

Lila Corpening

## CARE OF LAKEWOOD

Esther Taylor

## RESTORATION AT WESTGATE

Betty Brewer

## FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Emily Helmick  
(Janet Gilchrist's sister)

Holly Muir  
(Gail Muir's daughter)

Marks Speight  
(Charlie Speight's son)

...our church family and staff

...our partner school, Sunny View  
Elementary School

If you would like the church to pray about an illness, surgery, or need pastoral and congregational care support, let us know by calling the church office at (828) 859-6683.

## Daily Bible Readings For This Week

<b>S</b>	02-15	Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matt. 17:1-9
<b>M</b>	02-16	Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55; Exodus 33:7-23; Acts 7:30-34
<b>T</b>	02-17	Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55; 1 Kings 19:9-18; Romans 11:1-6
<b>W</b>	02-18	Isa. 58:1-12; Ps. 51:1-17; 2 Cor. 5:20b-6:10; Matt. 6:1-6
<b>T</b>	02-19	Psalm 51; Jonah 3:1-10; Romans 1:1-7
<b>F</b>	02-20	Psalm 51; Jonah 4:1-11; Romans 1:8-17
<b>S</b>	02-21	Psalm 51; Isaiah 58:1-12; Matthew 18:1-7



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Friday  
Closed

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