

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

And he was transfigured before them,
and his clothes became radiant,
intensely white, as no one on earth
could bleach them.

MARK 9:2-3, ESV



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2026

10:50 a.m.

✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

Welcome

Rev. Bill Pollack

Presentation to C.B. Nuckolls CC and Black History Museum

Kathleen Filkins

Prelude

Winchester Bells

Festive Praise

Susan Geschke

† Call to Worship

Mitch Hall

L: We await our Savior. We gather on the mountain and with open eyes behold Him.

P: We receive strength to live in the valley.

L: God's love is revealed in the face of Christ. With unveiled faces we behold His glory.

P: His splendor is unfading; the power of His love is undiminished.

L: To us the gift of God has been revealed: God's Son, the Chosen One.

All: We listen and worship, for Christ is here. Amen.

† Hymn of Praise (tune: Irby)

#193 (1,2,3)

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

Jesus, take us to the mountain where, with Peter, James and John.

We are dazzled by Your glory, light as blinding as the sun.

There prepare us for the night by the vision of that sight.

What do You want us to see there that Your close companions saw?

Your divinity revealed there fills us with the self-same awe.

Clothed in flesh like ours You go, matched to meet our deadliest foe.

What do You want us to hear there that Your dear disciples heard?

Once again the voice from heaven says of the Incarnate Word:

"Listen, listen everyone; this is My beloved Son!"

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession

O God, how many times do we miss You? We long to see Your face, to know that You are with us, and yet, we don't even recognize You. God, we confess our distraction, our self-absorption, our cynicism. You have not left us, You are not far off; we just need to open our eyes and see You, for You are everywhere and always right beside us. Thank You for this reminder today. Help us to stop and look around, to be still and listen. For only when we take the time to watch and hear, will we be able to know that we have encountered You. Amen.

† Assurance of Pardon

† Response

#150 (4)

As with Gladness Men of Old

Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way;
and when earthly things are past,
bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds Thy glory hide.

✠ **We Listen to God's Word** ✠

Children's Message

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Anthem For Transfiguration

Paul Hofreiter

This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to Him!

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 34:29–35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹ But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them.

³² Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³ When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face, ³⁴ but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with Him, he would take the veil off until he came out, and when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining, and Moses would put the veil on his face again until he went in to speak with Him.

L: The Word of the Lord. P: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 93 (tune: Franconia)

#271

The Lord Almighty Reigns

The Lord Almighty reigns in majesty most bright,
appareled in omnipotence, and girded round with might.

The world established stands on its foundations broad;
Your throne is fixed, You reign supreme, the everlasting God.

The seas have lifted up their voice in majesty,
but God on high, supreme in might, is greater than the sea.

Your testimonies, Lord, in faithfulness excel,
and holy must Your servants be who in Your temple dwell.

† **The Gospel Lesson:** Mark 9:2–8 (NRSV)

Six days later, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, ³ and His clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one on earth could brighten them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is My Son, the Beloved; listen to Him!” ⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

L: This is the Holy Gospel of Christ! P: **Thanks be to God!**

When Words Won't Do—Listen!

✠ We Respond to God's Word ✠

† Hymn of Response

I Am Thine, O Lord

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, and it told Thy love to me;
But I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to Thee.

*Refrain: Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died;
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious, bleeding side.*

Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord,
by the power of grace divine;
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
and my will be lost in Thine. [Refrain]

Oh, the pure delight of a single hour
that before Thy throne I spend,
When I kneel in prayer, and with Thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend! [Refrain]

There are depths of love that I cannot know
till I cross the narrow sea;
There are heights of joy that I may not reach
till I rest in peace with Thee. [Refrain]

† Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the quick 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.

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Offering Acknowledgement

Special Offering: Peace Offering

† Doxology

To God the Father, God the Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in one,
May every tongue and nation raise
an endless song of thankful praise.

† Prayer of Dedication

✠ **We Are Sent in God's Name** ✠

† Hymn of Sending

#744

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

Arise, your light is come! the Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born,
Bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's power will make us strong

Postlude

Max Jackson

I Shall Always Sing To My God

Ernst Pepping

† Charge & Benediction

† *Standing as you are able.*

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *Jimmy Hall* | Liturgist: *Mitch Hall*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 51

General Offering: \$8,678.00

Organ Repair Fund: \$20.00

Online Offering: \$686.36

Total Offering: \$9,384.36

PRAYER CONCERNS

Week ending February 12, 2026

Angel Horn (Nanette)

Stephanie Lester (Nanette)

Angie Lewis (UK Medical Center)

E.B. Lowman (Friend of Pastor Bill & Nanette)

Betty Jean Phipps (UK KDMC)

Week ending February 5, 2026

Charlie (Lee McCloud's nephew)

Dave Eby

Bob Poore

Heather Shay

Family of Tommy Thompson (Richard Isaacs' nephew)

Week ending January 29, 2026

Kena Hanni Broomall (Mark & Kelly Hanni's daughter)

Wayne Rice (Jimmy Hall)

Ongoing:

<i>Pastor Bill</i>	<i>Bob Miller</i>
<i>Christina Akers</i> <i>(Heather Whitman's sister-in-law)</i>	<i>Chris Payne</i>
<i>Christina Columber (Greg & Geri Willis)</i>	<i>Derek Payne</i>
<i>Gretchen Dillon</i>	<i>Nancy Payne</i>
<i>Bill Gesling</i>	<i>Bonnie Pettijohn</i>
<i>Charlie Holbrook</i>	<i>Tim Shepherd</i>
<i>Khyler Kingery (Ashton Wheeler)</i>	<i>Jan Winans</i>
<i>Angie Lewis</i>	<i>Ann Wiseman</i>
<i>Kenny McGill, Sr.</i>	

Kingsbrook Care Center: Barry Barbour

The Lantern: Carolyn Graber, Betty Jean Phipps

Military: Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, son of Kris Adkins); Cadet Katie Brown (West Point, granddaughter of Mike Whitman); Christian Brown (US Air Force, grandson of Mike Whitman); Greg Weston (Army National Guard); Lieutenant Colonel Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lilly)

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

➡ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Sunday Morning Study, 9:28 a.m.

Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School (K–4th grade), 9:30 a.m.

Harmony of the Gospels, 9:30 a.m.

Youth Group (5th – 12th grade), 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

"Shrove Tuesday" Brunch, Noon

➡ MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Sew Blessed, 6 p.m.

➡ TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Tai Chi, 5 p.m.

Finance Ministry Team, 5:30 p.m.

➡ WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans

Handbell Rehearsal, 5:45 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

Ash Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

➡ THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Paper Angels, 1 p.m.

Dames & Dinner, 5:30 p.m.

➡ SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

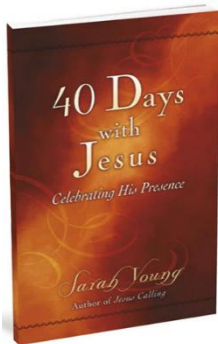
Tai Chi, 11 a.m.

Spring Concert, 2 p.m.

Join Us For Brunch!

Join us **TODAY** for "Shrove Tuesday Brunch" following morning worship. The menu is: pancakes, sausage, breakfast casseroles, yogurt, fruit, and donuts. The church fair will also take place. This is an opportunity for you to discover the various ministries provided through FPC. You also can sign up for a ministry in which you would like to take part. ***We will also celebrate Nanette's birthday during this time.***

Lent Devotional



Spend 40 days with Jesus, exploring promises found in Scripture—promises of life abundant, life to the fullest, and life brimming with joy! Select devotions from #1 bestselling author Sarah Young's *Jesus Always*, you'll experience a closeness with the Savior that invites you into a new way of living—embracing a joy-filled life. You may pick one up in the Narthex.

Ash Wednesday Service

Join us on **Wednesday, February 18** for an Ash Wednesday Service beginning at **7 p.m.** The Imposition of Ashes will be offered. This service prepares us as we begin our Lenten reflection on a journey to a garden, a cross, and an empty tomb.

Spring Break Food Drive

The Ashland Youth Service Center Food Pantry Drive begins **today – March 15**, to support those in our community. Your contributions make a significant difference, and we appreciate your continued support. To help stock the pantry effectively, we are specifically looking for the following items:



Pop Tarts	Granola Bars	Chef Boy R Dee	Packaged Cookies
Instant Oatmeal	Mac n Cheese	Canned Tuna	Ramen Noodles
Cereal Bars	Knorr's Fiesta Sides Rice	Gripz	Trail Mix
Spaghetti Noodles	Peanut Butter	Peanut Butter or Cheese Sandwich Crackers	Canned Chicken
Canned Pasta Sauce	Cheez-Its	Soup (w/beef, chicken, or potatoes)	



Please join us for the
4th Annual Spring Concert!
Date: Saturday, February 21, 2026
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: First Presbyterian Church,
1600 Winchester Ave, Ashland, KY.
Reception following in the Narthex.

Max Jackson, organ
Dr. Denine LeBlanc, piano
Beth Davenport, piano
Seth Skiles, piano
Dr. Joe Mastracci, autoharp
Calvin Riggs, piano
Mya Sarver, oboe



The AAMA is sponsoring Community Lent Midweek Worship on Wednesdays during Lent. Each service begins at **noon** with lunch at **12:30 p.m.**

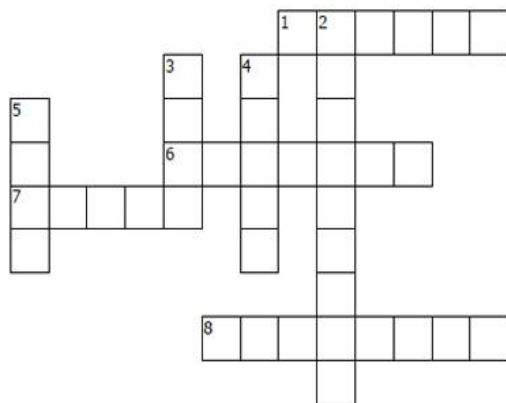
February 25— *First Christian Church*
March 4— *Cornerstone Methodist Church*
March 11— *First United Methodist Church*
March 18— *Holy Family Catholic Church*
March 25— *Calvary Episcopal Church*

An offering will be received at each service in support of local ministries.

The Transfiguration

As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Luke 9:29 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 9:28-36 (NIV)



ACROSS

1. Ready to go to bed or take a nap
6. Things such as a dress or trousers that you wear to cover your body
7. The opposite of being asleep
8. A raised part of the Earth's surface, much larger than a hill

DOWN

2. A flash of bright light in the sky produced by electricity
3. The front of the head, where the eyes, nose and mouth are
4. A grey or white mass floating in the sky, made of very small drops of water
5. To speak to God

MOUNTAIN
PRAY

FACE
CLOTHES

LIGHTNING
SLEEPY

AWAKE
CLOUD

STAFF

Minister: *Rev. William Pollack*
Choirmaster/Organist: *Max Jackson*
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*
Facilities Manager: *Glen Thomas*
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Mitch Hall*
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2026	2027	2028
<i>Mitch Hall*</i>	<i>Jimmy Hall</i>	<i>Teresa Cassity</i>
<i>Jan Holbrook</i>	<i>Lee McCloud *</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni *</i>
<i>Ryan Whitman*</i>	<i>J.T. Norris *</i>	<i>Donna Jones</i>
<i>*2nd term of service</i>		

MINISTRY TEAMS

Building & Grounds: <i>Glen Thomas</i>	Membership: <i>Teresa Cassity</i>
Christian Education: <i>Lee McCloud</i>	Mission: <i>Donna Jones</i>
Congregational Life: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>	Personnel: <i>Janet Holbrook</i>
Finance: <i>Trish Hall</i>	Worship: <i>Ryan Whitman</i>

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