

# Traditional Worship

February 15, 2026  
8:45 am



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Transfiguration Sunday



### Worship Notes

*...making our worship more  
meaningful & understandable*

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welcome and thank you for worshipping  
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Before we follow Christ toward the  
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let's celebrate His glory as we wor-  
ship Him in all His splendor!  
(adapted from United Methodist  
Discipleship Ministries)

#### **Why do we baptize by sprinkling?**

Many are most familiar with baptism  
as a sign and seal of our dying and  
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churches, including ours on occasion,  
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fers other pictures of baptism as well.

## God Gathers Us

### Prelude

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness - arr. Diane Bish

### Welcome

**Call to Worship** - from Psalm 145:1-4

### Invocation

**Introit** - CCPC Cherub Choir

Clap Happy Psalm (based on Ps. 96) - American Folk Melody, arr. Ridenour

Walk Like Jesus - Hopkins

## Gathering Hymn

#96 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

## Gloria Patri no. 733

## We Respond to God's Presence

### Anthem

Joyous Light of Glory - arr. Schalk

## Worship Through Giving

## Prayer of Consecration

**Doxology no. 34** - OLD 100TH

## We Join in Christ's Baptism

### Sacrament of Baptism

Charlotte Gaessler (Parents: Tommy & Katie)

Dempsey Sander (Parents: Ryan and Kelley)

## Announcements

## Student Testimony

## Greeting

# God Reveals His Word to Us

## Song of Illumination

Speak, O Lord - Getty

**Sermon** Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: Jude 24-25 (page 1217 in pew Bible)

Series: Our Turn in the Arena

Message: Our Promise

## We Go Forth in Joy

## Hymn of Response

#66 To God Be the Glory

## Benediction

## Postlude

4th Variation from Variations De Concert - Joseph Bonnet

## Prayer for the Week

As we celebrate Jesus' epiphany, shine in us and through us, that we may become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy. Amen.

Hebrews 9 is insightful here. This speaks of how Christ has culminated all of the Old Testament sacrificial rituals in Himself by His sacrifice. It speaks of the "ceremonial washings" (verse 10 literally says "baptisms") and how they point forward to how Christians are saved as Christ's blood is "sprinkled" on us for our cleansing.

The connection between blood-sprinkling and baptism is quite apparent in this passage, and it is therefore fitting that when we baptize a child, we do so by pouring water over their head. Baptism, in addition to depicting our dying and rising with Christ, is meant to be a sign and seal of our hearts having been washed by the sacrificial blood of the Lamb of God.

**May We Pray With You?** When we join together in prayer, there is a particular power available from God. If you would like prayer and/or prayer for healing, please come forward after the service to find a pastor or elder and we'd love to pray for you and/or anoint you with oil (per James 5).

**Assisting in Worship** Cherub Choir, Karen Suchomel, conductor; Lorraine Cooper, accompanist; Jenna Martinez, testimony; Sanctuary Choir; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

**Giving** In response to God's goodness, we are called to offer our whole selves—heart and mind, soul, and strength—in joyful adoration in our daily lives. One way we do that is through giving financially, which you can do in person after the service, by mail or here: <https://cherrycreekpres.org/give>



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Rev. Josh Peck, Assistant Pastor  
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# Convergent Worship

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10:30 am



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### Gathering Songs

Fill This Place - Red Rocks Worship

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) - Tomlin

Great Are You, Lord - All Sons & Daughters

Gloria Patri

### We Respond to God's Presence

Worship Through Giving

Prayer of Consecration

Doxology no. 34 - OLD 100TH

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Sacrament of Baptism

Eleanor, Olivia, & Kyle Abbott (Parents: Kaleb & Megan Abbott)

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He Will Hold Me Fast - Shane and Shane

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