



ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

February 15th 2026 - Transfiguration Sunday
10:30am. St. James United Church Family in Worship
Worship Focus – “Glimpsing the Mystery”
“Spiritual Growth, Compassionate Living”

SEEKING JESUS' LIGHT - WE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Prelude Music:

GOOD MORNING! Words of Welcome, Greetings and Announcements. **Persons wishing to remain seated during the service are encouraged to do so with our blessing. Your presence and spirit of waiting will bless our journey of faith with companionship. You are invited to join together for a time of visiting and refreshments in the Muriel Bridge Room following the benediction and postlude music.**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader: We believe Jesus shines with the glory of God!

ALL: At the transfiguration, three disciples experienced Jesus shining and radiant. We were not there to experience the mystery of that moment, but we are here now.

Leader: We can nurture our relationship with Jesus, so that our living reflects that Christ Light, so that we may shine in small ways and large.

ALL: We light this Christ Candle as a symbol for the light that shines through us as we live out our discipleship. (Rev. Bill Perry, Belleville)

Call to Worship:

Leader: In those breathtaking mountaintop experiences,
Glorious God –

ALL: You transform US!

Leader: In these wonderful experiences of everyday life,
Personal God –

ALL: You transform US beyond Belief!

Leader: Through our overcoming of life's adversity and
through quiet endurance, Patient God,

ALL: You transform US with your compassion.

Leader: Through our courage to take a stand, through our
unwillingness to let the powerful get their way,
Eternally Blessing God,

ALL : You transform US with Your wonder and grace!

Hymn of Praise: **VU #642 “Be Thou My Vision”**

Prayer of Approach (**unison**)

Holy God, shine Your face upon us this day! Enfold us in your love, and draw us into the radiant Mystery of your presence. As we seek to know You better, we need to love one another, and to learn Your ways, as revealed in the life and lessons of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Psalm 99 Psalter **VU# 819 “The Holiness of God”**

Family Hymn: **VU# 649 “Walk with Me”**

Family Focus – Storyteller - Rev. Barrie

Scripture Lesson:

Exodus 24:12-18 God calls Moses up the mountain

Matthew 17:1-9 Jesus is transfigured on the mountain

Lay Reader: February House

Musical Selection; Diane Stewart

Message: **"CHERISH THOSE SHINING MOMENTS!"**

Reverend Barrie Bain Preaching

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND

Presentation and Dedication of the Offering

Offertory Response: **VU #540 "Grant US, God, the Grace"**

Offertory Prayer (unison)

Receive our gifts, O Lord. We pray that they may be used to radiate "God's Light" in a variety of places. Be present in the faith journey of those who have given; bless others as they receive. We offer thanks in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU# **104 "We Have come at Christ's Own Bidding"**

Benediction & Commissioning

Postlude Music:

VOLUNTEERS FROM THE FEBRUARY HOUSE INVITE YOU to

The Muriel Bridge Room for refreshments and fellowship following the service.

The church office will be closed on Monday February 16 for the Family Day Holiday.

Ash Wednesday Service, February 18th at 7:00pm.

will take place in the Muriel Bridge Room with friends from other United churches joining with us.

World Day of Prayer will be held at St. Paul's on Friday, March 6 at 1:30 pm

Bible Reading - February 15, 2026
Reader: February House

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

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Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.