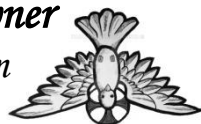




# *Centennial United Church, Stayner*

*Sunday February 15, 2026 10:30am*

*Transfiguration Sunday*



*Worship Leader: Jennifer Irving*

*Pianist: Megan Arksey*

**Words of Wisdom** *"God places us in the world as his fellow workers-agents of transfiguration. We work with God so that injustice is transfigured into justice, so there will be more compassion and caring, that there will be more laughter and joy, that there will be more togetherness in God's world."*  
~ Desmond Tutu

## *We Gather in the Light*

**Welcome & Land Acknowledgement & Life and Work of the Church**

**Sharing Our Joys & Concerns**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

One: 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.**

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

**ALL: We light this Christ candle as a symbol of the light that shines through us as we live our discipleship.**

*Written by Bill Perry, Gathering A/C/E 2025-2026. Used with permission*

**Sung Response: VU #315 "Holy, Holy, Holy" (v. 1)**

**Call to Worship & Opening Prayer**

One: God of transformation and transfiguration,

**ALL: we come to the mountaintop,  
joining Jesus, Peter, James, and John.**

One: This is the time of transformation.

**ALL: Transformation begins as the Holy is encountered.**

One: This is the time of transformation.

**ALL: It continues as we listen carefully and are attentive.**

One: This is the time of transformation.

**ALL: It takes shape as the significance of Jesus is acknowledged.**

One: This is the time of transformation.

**ALL: It is proved as we go about the work  
of your anointed one, O God.**

One: This is a time of transformation.

**ALL: We open our spirits to your transforming love, Gracious God.  
Amen.**

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**The Lord's Prayer A Paraphrase written by Jim Cotter (VU p. 916)**

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

*We Listen for the Light*

**Time of Wondering**

**Sung Response VU #289 "It Only Takes a Spark"**

**Scripture Readings:** *Exodus 24:12-18 (OT p.81-82)*

*Psalms 99 (VU p. 819)*

*2 Peter 1:16-21 (NT p 299)*

*Matthew 17:1-9 (NT p 25)*

**Reflection**

*We Respond to the Light*

**Hymn VU #578 "As a Fire is Meant for Burning"**

**Time for Thanksgiving, Gratitude & Stories of Generosity**

**Invitation to Generosity**

**Offertory Hymn "This Little Light of Mine" (from AGCS vs. 1)**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Celebration of Communion (see insert)**

*We Go Forth in the Light*

**Hymn VU #481 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"**

**Commissioning & Benediction**

**Sung Blessing VU #646 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"**

*Thank you for joining us in worship this week,  
Thank you to Janice Have for reading Scripture & our MeLS Story.  
Thank you to Neelah Irving for running our live-stream.*

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**Our Land Acknowledgement Statement**

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We gather to worship and witness within the boundaries of Treaty 18 of 1818. This is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Tionontati, Wendat, and home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples as part of an intricate nationhood that reaches across Turtle Island. We acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages and our desire to seek a new relationship with the Indigenous Peoples of this land, one based in honour and deep respect.

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Thursdays: 9:00am-1:00pm

**On-Line & In Person Worship: Sundays: 10:30am**

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# LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

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*\*Worship in person or on Zoom: 862 4551 6433 pwd: WORSHIP*

We welcome you to worship in our Sanctuary and thank you for not wearing scented products to church for those who are scent sensitive

**Charitable Tax Receipts for 2025 available for pick up!** at the back of the church. Any receipts not picked up will be mailed after the congregational meeting February 22.

**ANNUAL REPORTS** Have been printed! Pick yours up today and see all we've been about this past year at Centennial as we plan for the future at our Annual Meeting on February 22, 2026.

**CALLING READERS FOR MARCH!** See sheets at the back of the church for reading scripture and the M&S Stories, as well as bulletin sponsorship. Please consider if you can contribute in this way.

**ZOOM PRAYER CIRCLE—Join us tonight (February 15) 7 – 7:30 PM.** We pray for ourselves, each other, our community and our world. Special prayer requests welcomed. Use the zoom link in the weekly email.

**SIP 'n' SERVE** Join us Monday mornings at 9:00 AM. All cleaners are rewarded with coffee and conversation!

**ITS THAT TIME AGAIN!** Meat pie assembly is February 16 (prepping) and February 17 (filling). If you have some time and energy, and an urge to make pie please contact Maxine. Place your order with Maxine - text at 705 888 2797 or leave a message at that number - Pickup will be available on February 17th after 1:00 until 4:00 pm.

**BIBLE STUDY HOUR** is cancelled for Tuesday, February 17 (but join us for Games Night instead!).

**GAMES NIGHT February 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm** Join us Shrove Tuesday for a Mardi Gras style night of playing games to mark the beginning of Lent. Bring a game you want to play and a snack you'd like to eat! Those hankering for a pancake supper before can join New Lowell United Church at 5:30pm.

**CENTENNIAL WOMEN February 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.** Join us for a hymn singing led by June Flynn followed by a late winter tea in the activity room at Blue Mountain Manor (entry is from the lower level).

**LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP FEBRUARY 19 AT 2 pm.** Join us for Lenten discussions. If you ordered the book(s) you can pick up from Jennifer.

**ANNUAL MEETING** Will be held February 22<sup>nd</sup> following worship.

**THEN LET US SING—SUNDAY MARCH 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 pm!** An introduction to our new hymnal celebrating diversity, equity and inclusion! We hope you will be able to join us then for an afternoon of song brought to you by our Affirming Committee and Worship & Music. All are welcome!

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** Friday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church at 2:00pm

**This week's regional prayers** are for Temple hill United Church. You can learn more about Temple Hill United at <http://templehill.ca/>.

**CENTENNIAL STEPPERS** is officially registered as a participating team in this year's Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY), Saturday February 28th. Now we need some 'steppers' to walk with us. There is a 2 km or 5 km distance - depending on your energy level. If you are interested in walking please reach out to Alice Grottsoli at [alicegrotts@gmail.com](mailto:alicegrotts@gmail.com)

Start/End Location: Trinity United Church

Start Time: Gathering Time - 4pm

Walk Start Time - 5pm

Refreshments and snacks after the walk back at Trinity

Most importantly we need financial support to the cause. Locally, the funds raised from this event will support Home Horizon and the Barbara Weider House located in Collingwood providing a range of support services to youth who face precarious housing situations.

Donations can made online at [cnoy.org/location/collingwood](https://cnoy.org/location/collingwood) and search by team name (Centennial Steppers) Payment by credit card or PayPal accepted online. Cheques also accepted. (Cheques payable to Coldest Night of the Year, note team name in Memo)

**We are more than halfway to our fundraising goal of \$ 1,000!**  
**Let's Make Our Steps Count!!**

## *Celebration of Communion*

### ✠ Invitation to the Table

### ✠ Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: Let the heavens be glad

**ALL: Let the earth be joyful!**

One: Let us give thanks to our God.

**ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise:**

One: Holy God of Life and Love, by the light of your promise ...  
for all who hunger. So it is that we sing your praise:

**ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

One: At this table Jesus blessed and broke a loaf of bread...  
you our praise, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**ALL: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

One: Through these gifts may we truly feel your blessings and  
know your love and your power to be with us.

**ALL: We praise you for the reminders of your creative word  
in what we taste, see, smell, and touch. As we take  
this bread and cup, we accept the promise that your  
coming realm is being revealed and we offer our lives  
to be a place where its love is made real. Amen.**

### ✠ Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

### ✠ Distribution of the Elements & Sharing the Feast

One: This bread that we eat together this day

**All: Is our food for our living in Christ. *(eat)***

One: This cup that we drink from together this day

**All: Is the cup of blessing that changes all our living. *(drink)***

### ✠ Prayer after Communion *(in unison)*

Holy one, may we who have seen and been filled with the  
light of your blessing go forth into the world seeking ways  
to share that light in all our living until all the world is  
changed and your kingdom come. Amen.