



The United Church of Canada
Prairie Spirit Pastoral Charge
Coaldale United and St. Andrew's UC
Trinity and First United
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Music: Barb Goertzen

February 15, 2026

Transfiguration Sunday

Land Acknowledgement:

Call To Worship:

'Praise the Lord, O my soul,
All my inmost being, praise his holy name!'
Longing and curiosity,
passion and love,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
Power and strength
boldness and excitement,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
Freedom and desire,
joy and happiness,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
Disappointment and anger
annoyance and resentment,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
Sorrow and anxiety,
doubt and worry,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
Stress and resilience,
failure and shame,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
Carefulness and patience,
hope and trustfulness,
all my inmost being, praise the Lord.
(Karl Veitschegger (Austria))

Opening Prayer:

Opening Hymn: VU 104

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

Minute for Mission: Support That Grows with Families

Becoming a parent or guardian is a life-changing, complex experience that doesn't have a one-size-fits-all answer. As kids, we looked to adults for guidance as we navigated the world with fresh eyes. Now, as adults, we recognize that we're still figuring things out as we go, and there's always an opportunity to grow our skills and minds.

In London, Ontario, Mission and Service partners with the London Community Chaplaincy as they respond to parents and guardians who want to build a network of support, share the parenting journey, and develop new skills as they navigate raising children in a low-income setting. Together, these parents are working hard to build a positive future for their children and families.

Each week, London Community Chaplaincy provides a welcoming and safe social setting for adults to connect and grow as parents. Not only do they learn how to guide a child through critical stages of development, but also how to navigate being a parent or guardian while managing financial stress, food insecurity, housing complications, and more. Gathering with other adults in a similar situation allows participants to share their struggles and triumphs, further building a sense of community.

Your gifts to Mission and Service support partnerships like the London Community Chaplaincy as they help empower parents along the parenting journey. Thank you.

Mission Prayer:

God is creative and self-giving, generously moving in all the near and distant corners of the universe. Nothing exists that does not find its source in God. Our first response to God's providence is gratitude. We sing thanksgiving. Amen

Prayer of Reconciliation & Freedom:

Hymn: VU 224

Sing a Happy Hallelujah

Children's Time:

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 99: The Message translation
God rules. On your toes, everybody!
He rules from his angel throne—take notice!
God looms majestic in Zion,

He towers in splendor over all the big names.
Great and terrible your beauty: let everyone praise you!

Holy. Yes, holy.

Strong King, lover of justice,
You laid things out fair and square;
You set down the foundations in Jacob,
Foundation stones of just and right ways.
Honor God, our God; worship his rule!

Holy. Yes, holy.

Moses and Aaron were his priests,
Samuel among those who prayed to him.
They prayed to God and he answered them;
He spoke from the pillar of cloud.
And they did what he said; they kept the law he gave them.
And then God, our God, answered them
(But you were never soft on their sins).
Lift high God, our God; worship at his holy mountain.

Holy. Yes, holy is God our God.

Matthew 17: 1-9 The Message Translation

Sunlight Poured from His Face

Six days later, three of them saw that glory. Jesus took Peter and the brothers, James and John, and led them up a high mountain. His appearance changed from the inside out, right before their eyes. Sunlight poured from his face. His clothes were filled with light. Then they realized that Moses and Elijah were also there in deep conversation with him.

Peter broke in, "Master, this is a great moment! What would you think if I built three memorials here on the mountain—one for you, one for Moses, one for Elijah?"

While he was going on like this, babbling, a light-radiant cloud enveloped them, and sounding from deep in the cloud a voice: "This is my Son, marked by my love, focus of my delight. Listen to him."

When the disciples heard it, they fell flat on their faces, scared to death. But Jesus came over and touched them. "Don't be afraid." When they opened their eyes and looked around all they saw was Jesus, only Jesus.

Coming down the mountain, Jesus swore them to secrecy. "Don't breathe a word of what you've seen. After the Son of Man is raised from the dead, you are free to talk."

Message:

Hymn: VU 82

Living in the Light

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Offertory Prayer:

Prayers of our Hearts:

Please respond to the intercession requests with **Divine Hear Our Prayer**.

Prayer of Jesus:

Hymn:

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Words and music by Graham Kendrick

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth you now bring us,
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word,
Lord, and let there be light!*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me. (*Refrain*)

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness.
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me. (*Refrain*)

Closing Prayer:

Benediction:

Sung Blessing VU 646

We Are Marching

We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
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we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, oo-oo,
we are marching in the light of God.

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Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',
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