



HE RESTORES MY SOUL

Psalm 23:3

Welcome to Shiloh United Church of Christ

Transfiguration Sunday
February 15th 2026 @ 10:00AM

MEDITATION *“Sorrow prepares you for joy. It violently sweeps everything out of your house, so that new joy can find space to enter. It shakes the yellow leaves from the bough of your heart, so that fresh, green leaves can grow in their place. It pulls up the rotten roots, so that new roots hidden beneath have room to grow. Whatever sorrow shakes from your heart, far better things will take their place.”*

~ J. Rumi

PRELUDE *“O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair”* Broughton

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Please, stand if you are able!)*

One: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

All: we are called to be God’s people.

One: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him
to the peak of another mountain,

All: we are called to follow wherever He leads.

One: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God’s voice,

All: we are called to worship in wonder and praise.

**Let us worship at God’s holy mountain, for the Lord our God is
holy!**

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

**Light of God, shine upon us this hour. We bring to you all that
we are – both our strengths and weaknesses. We lift our prayers
for your world in its beauty and pain. As your light once made
Jesus appear radiant on a mountaintop with Moses and Elijah,
transform us as we worship here, at Shiloh UCC, today. Let us
encounter your Holy Spirit, undeniably present among us, that
we may bear Christ’s light to a world that longs for peace and
justice. In His name we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN**

“Immortal, Invisible”

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Though we want to walk with Moses and see God's holy radiance,

All: we hide in the mist of our own desires, unable to perceive the presence of God's grace.

One: While we want a world of justice and peace,

All: we walk in clouds of selfishness, unable to share God's loving-kindness.

One: Though we want to follow Jesus up the mountain,

All: we cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God. Forgive us, O God. Fill us with your holiness, justice, peace and loving-kindness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: In the blazing light of God's grace, Jesus touches us to say, "Get up and do not be afraid."

All: In the name of Jesus, we are forgiven. Let us rejoice and follow Him. Amen.

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: Let us greet each other in Christian Friendship.
The peace of God be with you.

All: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(All children of God who desire to come forward for the Children's Sermon are welcomed. Parent's/caregivers are encouraged to accompany their young child(ren) during the message.)

***HYMN**

"Give Me Jesus"

Video

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

Second Reading: Psalm 99

MEN'S CHORUS

"Dream God's Dream"

Sirchio

Third Reading: Matthew 17:1-9

SERMON

"Do Not Be Afraid!"

Pastor Melinda

***HYMN**

"Open Our Eyes"

Insert

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING BEFORE GOD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

The God of heaven and earth, holds each one of us in tender love and care. God is gracious and good, and no one is insignificant in God's eyes. So we respond to every thing God is doing in the life of the world by offering a portion of what we have generously received from a loving God. In the ministry of Shiloh UCC, we reach out to all of God's children in tender love and care. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** "Doxology" #780

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, You heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

One: Let us pray!

Dear God, Source of light and love, all things belong to you. You generously share with us the blessings of home, food, friends, and life itself. Receive a portion of what you have given us in this morning's offering. May our gifts and joyful service strengthen your church, that we may share good news and compassion with those in need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "*In the Bulb There is a Flower*" #433

BENEDICTION

One: Walk in light and truth.
See the light of Christ in every face.
Be the light of Christ to all you meet.
All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

“*Holy, Holy, Holy*”

Hayes

**THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!
PLEASE COME AGAIN SOON!**

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

Morning Prayer Psalm 37:4

“Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.”

The Good News: God has limitless love for all of His servants. If you truly believe this, God will grant all of your wishes.
<https://www.womansday.com/life/inspirational-stories>

Dear Lord, as we rise to meet each new day, please let us be filled with Your spirit. Wherever we go, let us spread love, joy, peace, goodness, and faithfulness. Let us desire to become more like you and to worship you in all we do. Help us desire these things so much more than the sin that entices us. Thank you for always going before us. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.
(Dr. Charles Stanley)

Evening Prayer Isaiah 26:3

"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you."

O Lord our God, keep us in peace during this night and at all times. Keep our hearts and thoughts secure in holy reverence for you, so that we may be protected at all times from the snares of the enemy. And let us offer blessing and glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and unto the ages of ages. Amen. (*Armenian Prayer*)



PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Helen Byers, Judy Feeser, Dick & Helen Hodgson, Joe Jordan, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Elaine Krout, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Arlene Myers, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Steve Snyder, Rick & Sue Trimble, Romaine Walton, Elva Winter, Gloria Melhorn, Noah Olschefski, Fay Myers



THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Althoff Family, The Mummert Family, The Myers Family



**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS
AND MUSICIANS WHO CONTRIBUTED
TO THE WORSHIP SERVICE!**

ALTAR FLOWER: *Presented in loving memory of Robert. R Reisinger by
Randy, Deb, Tyler Reisinger*

BULLETINS: *In honor of our 62nd wedding anniversary today. From Pat
and Nelson Roth*

VIDEO TEAM: Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel

LITURGIST: Brian Curren

GREETERS: Steve and Sue Besecker

USHER: Sally Curren

NURSERY: John Reiber and Nathan Limbert

COFFEE CONNECTIONS: Katie Bentzel

“No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here at Shiloh UCC, where God is still speaking.”

THIS WEEK

SUN	10:00	Worship
	8:45	Wired Word (124) & Sunday School (202)
	9:15	Coffee Connections (gallery)
MON	5:30	Gospel Choir (100)
TUES	6:00	Cub Scouts (100)
	6 :00	Children’s Choir Practice
	6:30	Quilt Club (202)
WED	7:30	Soup Prep
	9:30	Bible Study (202)
	5:00	TOPS (202)
THUR	7:00	Ash Wednesday Service
	10:30	Our Daily Bread
	6:30	Choirs
	6:30	NA Group (100)
FRI	12:00	Woman’s Social Lunch (Hoss’)
SUN	10:00	Worship

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 73

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