

*The United Methodist Church  
12 Commerce Street  
Clinton, CT*



*February 15, 2026  
Transfiguration Sunday*

## WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

\*Please stand in body, and/or spirit

Welcome, Acknowledgements of first-time visitors and announcements

*Words to Ponder:*

*Glory fills the skies, as we see Christ transformed before our very eyes.*

Introit

“Rainbow Valentine” - Patterson

Chancel Choir

\*Call to Worship (Responsively)

On this Transfiguration Sunday, we gather on the mountaintop with Jesus, wondering what we will encounter.

**We come to encounter God's glory revealed.**

We witness the revelation of Christ's divinity made plain before us.

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We remember that God's glory is not about spectacle but truth, not about show but about Love made real among us.

**We come to remember God's glory revealed.**

We follow Jesus down from the mountaintop into the valleys, as God's glory goes before us and behind us.

**We come to be sent out to share God's glory revealed. Thanks be to God!**

Amen.

\*Opening Hymn

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

No. 2173

Opening Prayer (Unison)

**Source of light and love, reveal to us your glory. As you appeared to your servant Moses in devouring fire on Mount Sinai, appear to us now in power and might during our time of worship. As you revealed Christ's resplendent light to his disciples on the mountaintop, reveal your radiant light to us during our fellowship together. Transform us with your glory, that our souls might shine your light into a world shrouded in darkness. Amen.**

Prayer of Yearning

**Mighty God, we yearn to be called on a journey to climb your mountain of love and light. We long for the courage of Moses as we wait for your appearance, even when your powerful presence is like a devouring fire. Test our hearts, O God, that we might face our fears and prove ourselves worthy of your holy calling. Amen.**

*Brief moment of silent reflection*

Words of Assurance

With tenderness and grace, Jesus shows us the power and the glory of God. Walk in the assurance of God's mercy and the promise of Christ's strength for the journey. Amen.

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading (Old Testament)

Exodus 24:12-18

Leader: This is the Word of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Without Love” - Dengler

Chancel Choir

Children's Moment

Pastor Rhonda R. Taylor

\*2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading (Gospel)

Matthew 17:1-9

Leader: This is the Word of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD**

\*Hymn

“Jesus, the Light of the World”

Insert

Sermon

“Awe-Inspiring Moment”

Pastor Rhonda R. Taylor

Offertory

\*Doxology

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\*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

**Light of Light, even when our dreams grow dark, you bless us with your radiance and your love. Illumine the gifts we bring before you now, that the world may see your light in the shadows of our world. Illumine our very lives, that our souls may shine with Christ and bring his hope wherever we go. Amen.**



## **February 15th**

Ushers: Sue Morrison, Diana Vincent, Rick Gilcher, Sherry Hynes

Camera Operator: Lisa Sutherland

Video Coordinator: Erica Babjak

Worship Leader: TBD

Lectionary scriptures: Exodus 24:12-18, Psalm 99 (UM819), 2 Peter 1:16-21, Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon: Pastor Rhonda R. Taylor

Fellowship Host: Jeane Jarusik

Counters: Carl Engelhart and Gay McPhee

Music/Choir Director: Bob Hale

Organist: Patty Hurlburt

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### **Worship Resources**

Call to Worship - *Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025*

Opening Prayer, Prayer of Yearning & Dedication, Benediction

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