

# First Presbyterian Church

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We welcome you not as strangers but as a part of God's family! We are a community of faith that gathers to praise our Lord and Savior, serve others, search for answers, and enjoy the fellowship of one another. We hope today you will be challenged and discover encouragement. The peace of Christ be with you!

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

*Worship begins with the Prelude. Please use this time for **silent** preparation.*

PRELUDE

"Bist Du Bei Mir"

J. S. Bach

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

## CHORAL INTROIT

Jennifer Baker

“Come to the Table”

## CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) from Psalm 34

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;

People: *His praise shall continually be in my mouth.*

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,

People: *And let us exalt his name together!*

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

Unison: *Happy is the one who takes refuge in him!*

## \*HYMN OF ADORATION # 193

“Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

*Holy God, you sent your Son Jesus to make all things new. Yet we confess that deep down inside we're afraid of what that might mean. We've become too comfortable with the sin that has stained and scarred us. We've worshiped you with our lips, but not always with our hearts. We've listened eagerly to your Word, but been reluctant to let that Word shape the way we live. Forgive us, O God, and make us new! Give us a fresh start—beginning this morning—and make us eager witnesses of the transforming love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In His name we pray, Amen.*

## \*DECLARATION OF PARDON

## \*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.*

## A MOMENT WITH OUR CHILDREN

### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 24:12-18, Page 70

## ANTHEM

Twila Paris

“Your Only Son”

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 17:1-13, page 18

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## MEDITATION

The Rev. David Dudley

“Down From the Mountain”

## \*HYMN OF PREPARATION # 460

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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 **debts**, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

J. S. Bach

“Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott”

\*DOXOLOGY

Hymn # 606

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SENDING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT # 12

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

Traditional

“Danish Amen”

\*POSTLUDE

Hal H. Hopson

“Processional in C”

*\*Please stand if able.*

## **Opportunities for the Week of February 15<sup>th</sup> – February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School  
9:00 a.m. Choir Practice  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service / Communion / Rev. David Dudley  
No Youth Group  
Monday: No School  
Tuesday: 6:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study Group, *conference room*  
Wednesday: **Deadline for Church Mouse / Newsletter**  
6:00 p.m. Pancake Supper, *Provided by the Youth Group*  
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service / Rev Maggie Beamguard

Sunday:            8:45 a.m.   Sunday School  
                         No Choir Practice  
                 10:00 a.m.   Worship Service / Rev Nancy Wazenegger  
                 5:00 p.m.   Youth Group

### **Announcements**

Please take a moment and welcome back Rev. David Dudley as he brings forth our message.

Just a reminder! Ash Wednesday Service will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the Rev. Maggie Beamguard officiating. Our Youth will be providing a Pancake Supper at 6:00 p.m. Please come out and join us and bring a friend.

**Office hours for March:** The church office will be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 a.m. Sonya will be remotely working from home on Monday from 9:30-2:00 p.m. and Wednesday and Thursday as needed. Please feel free to contact her at the office during these hours or by email at [infofpc397@gmail.com](mailto:infofpc397@gmail.com). If you need assistance after these hours, please do not hesitate to send an email as emails are checked periodically.

The Sandhills Crop Hunger Walk will be held on March 29, 2026, at Union Pines High School track. Please visit the link provided for more information or to start signing up teams.  
<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/chw/event/sandhillsnc>