

*Tappahannock Memorial  
United Methodist Church*

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*“To all who mourn and need comfort,  
to all who are tired and need rest,  
to all who are lonely and need companionship,  
to all who sin and need a Savior, and to all who will,  
this church opens wide its doors.”*

# Tappahannock Memorial UMC

## Transfiguration Sunday

### “God’s Glory”

March 2, 2025

Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36

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#### Prelude

#### “Hungry (Falling On My Knees)”

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#### Welcome & Announcements

Good Morning! I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I welcome you to our time of worship today. I welcome those who are present with us in the sanctuary as well as those worshipping online via our Facebook and YouTube pages. We welcome your feedback as we continue offering in person and online worship.

We are tracking our attendance, so thank you in advance to all who will let us know that you have watched or read our service this morning. Please email our Administrative Assistant at [tappmethodist@gmail.com](mailto:tappmethodist@gmail.com), with your attendance information.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!!

#### \* Opening Hymn

#### “Where He Leads Me”

UMH #338

1. I can hear my Savior calling, I can hear my Savior calling,  
I can hear my Savior calling, “Take thy cross and follow, follow, me.”  
Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,  
where he leads me I will follow; I’ll go with him, with him all the way.
2. I’ll go with him through the garden, I’ll go with him through the garden,  
I’ll go with him through the garden, I’ll go with him, with him, all the way.  
Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,  
where he leads me I will follow; I’ll go with him, with him all the way.
3. I’ll go with him through the judgment, I’ll go with him through the judgment,  
I’ll go with him through the judgment, I’ll go with him, with him all the way.  
Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,  
where he leads me I will follow; I’ll go with him, with him all the way.
4. He will give me grace and glory, he will give me grace and glory,  
he will give me grace and glory, and go with me, with me all the way.  
Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow,  
where he leads me I will follow; I’ll go with him, with him all the way.

#### \* Call To Worship

Christ has called us here,

**inviting us to offer praise and prayer.**

May Christ’s presence be revealed in this time,

**showing us the way to go.**

May Christ’s glory shine into our worship,

**that Christ’s glory may shine in our lives.**

**\* Opening Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

God of glory and power,

pour out your Holy Spirit on us today.

Reveal to us your wisdom and guidance.

Manifest through us your Spirit of glorious grace and love.

And make your loving presence known to all,

through the ministries of your church. Amen.

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**Prayer of Yearning**

**Gracious God, we tremble in the presence  
of your glory and power.**

**Strengthen our courage,**

**that we might look upon your love  
and stop shrinking away in fear.**

**Embolden us to trust your grace,**

**no matter how grave our transgressions  
or ashamed our hearts may be.**

**Shine upon us with your mercy,**

**that we may shine for all to see.**

**Grant us confidence in both your grace  
and your abundant love.**

**In your loving name, we pray. Amen.**

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**The Declaration of Pardon**

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

That proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**Glory to God. Amen.**

**Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Children's Time**

**Pastor Becca**

**Scripture**

**Exodus 34:29-35**

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*<sup>29</sup>Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned*

to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

## Scripture

## 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

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<sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup>but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem

## "How Great Is Our God"

Choir

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## \* Psalter

## Psalm 99

UMH #819

**Response: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory over all the earth be found.**

The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

The Lord sits enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth quake!

**The Lord is great in Zion,  
and is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise your great and wondrous name!

**Holy is the Lord!**

Mighty Ruler, lover of justice,  
you have established equity;

**you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.**

Extol the Lord our God.

Worship at the Lord's footstool!  
**Holy is the Lord!** **R**

Moses and Aaron were among God's priests,  
Samuel also was among those who called on God's name.

**They cried to the Lord, who answered them,  
who spoke to them in the pillar of cloud.**

They kept God's testimonies,  
and the statues God gave them.

**O Lord, our God, you answered them;  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

Extol the Lord our God,  
and worship at his holy mountain.  
**Surely the Lord our God is holy!** **R**

**\* The Gloria Patri**

**UMH #70**

*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.*

**\* Gospel**

**Luke 9:28-36**

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*<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.*

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This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Prayer before the Sermon**

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight,  
O God our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

**The Sermon**

**"God's Glory"**

**Rev. Rebecca L. Minor**

**\* Hymn of Response**

**"Holy Ground"**

**TFWS #2272**

We are standing on holy ground,  
and I know that there are angels all around;  
let us praise Jesus now

we are standing in his presence on holy ground.

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### **Affirmation of Faith**

### **Apostles’ Creed**

**UMH #881**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Sharing of Our Joys & Concerns**

We want to continue to pray for the healing of the nations through this pandemic, and for all those impacted by: war – especially the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Palestine; natural disasters; gun violence; and other catastrophic events. Remember those who have been in the hospital for treatments and surgeries, as well as for COVID 19. Remember those who are isolated with no one to interact with. Please continue to pray for: your prayer partners; our homebound folks; those in nursing, rehabilitative, and assisted living facilities; as well as for those on the front lines. I would once again ask that we pray for those who have chosen to keep their illnesses between themselves and God. While we respect their privacy, they still need our collective prayers.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

#### **The Offering**

Please remember to keep your tithes and offerings current so that the ministries of our church can continue. You may mail them to P. O. Box 326, Tappahannock, VA 22560, use the E-Giving link available on our website [www.tappahannockmethodist.org](http://www.tappahannockmethodist.org), or download our mobile e-giving app identified on the last page of today’s bulletin. Thank you for your continued support!

### **The Offertory**

*“It Is Well With My Soul”*

**Rob Wright, guitar**

#### **\* Doxology**

**UMH #95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\* A Service of Word and Table**

**UMH #9**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through the prophets.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**AMEN.**

And now with the confidence of children of God, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

### **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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass 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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread and Offering of the Cup and Sharing in the Feast**

I invite all of you here in the sanctuary and those of you at home to take and receive now.

The Body of Christ.

The Blood of Christ.

**Amen.**

### **The Prayer after Communion**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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### **\* Closing Hymn**

#### ***"Wonderful Words Of Life"***

**UMH #600**

1. Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;  
let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;  
words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.
2. Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life;  
sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;  
all so freely given, wooing us to heaven.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.
3. Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;  
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

### **\* Benediction**

#### ***"Go Now In Peace"***

**UMH #665**

Go now in peace, go now in peace,

may the love of God surround you,  
everywhere, everywhere you may go.

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\* **Postlude**

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**Thank you for joining us in worship!**

## PRAYER LIST

Eddie Bliss, Faye Brooks, Nancy Brumfield, Evy Campbell, Lynn Coates, Mark Cooper, Bill Hendricks, Cindy Huber, Rick Humphries, Richard Ledbetter, Bill Loser, Dennis Puccetti, Jack Robertson, Cathy Short, Colin Smith, Barbara Tate, the family of Rev. Dr. Robert Taylor, Jack Titmus, Bryan Wachsmuth, Barbara Watkins, and Jack Henry Whitaker. Inclusion and equality for the LGBTQ family and friends. All affected by critical weather and violence, everyone who struggles with drug addiction and alcoholism, all missing persons, those who serve in the Armed Forces, students and educators, the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, and Sudan during this time of war.

## MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS

SSGT Jonathan Simpson

## PRAYERS AND CARDS ARE WELCOME FOR THESE MEMBERS

Lee Black, Barbara Brooks, Jean Edwards, Edna Parrish, and Barbara Watkins.

*\* Please contact the office for the phone number or address for these members of our church family.*

## SERVICE AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

<b>Today, March 2<sup>nd</sup>:</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Transfiguration Sunday</b>
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>:</b>	6:00 PM	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
	7:00 PM	Choir
<b>Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>:</b>	10:30 AM	Wednesday Morning Group
	7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Worship
<b>Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>:</b>	10:00 AM	First Sunday In Lent
	11:15 AM	Sunday School

*All meetings are offered in-person and via Zoom unless stated otherwise.*

*We seek to be the Disciples of Christ, welcoming all as we nurture and support one another through service and outreach.*

*Our facility is handicap accessible.*

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