



**GRACE UNITED CHURCH**  
**Worship Service**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**  
**March 2, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Lead Minister: Rev. Dr. Thomas Shin**  
**Lay Presider: Sylvia Genders**

**GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Gathering Music: Change My Heart, Oh God**      **Eddie Espinosa**

**Band Prelude: Love Divine**      **R. H. Pritchard**

**Welcome, Announcements & Traditional Land Acknowledgment**

**Call to Worship:**

One: We gather today on the mountain of transfiguration, where the glory of God shines brightly through Jesus Christ.

**All: May the light of His love illuminate our hearts and minds, transforming us into beacons of hope for the world.**

One: As we stand in awe of the divine presence, let us remember the call to serve and love one another.

**All: For by serving others, we serve Christ, and in His service, we find true transformation and new life.**

One: Let us come before God with thanksgiving and praise, acknowledging His power to transfigure our lives.

**All: May His glory rise within us, lifting us from the valleys of doubt to the heights of faith and joy.**

**Procession: O Holy Lord**      **Don Salfarlie**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**      **Louise Shin**

**Greetings**

**Opening Prayer**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Praise and Worship 1: Led by the Choir**  
**Praise with Joy the World's Creator**

**VU# 312**

**Celebrating a New Member: Myrna Adams-Falujo**

- **Congregation's Response**
- **New member's response**
- **Prayer of Blessing**

**Affirmation of Faith**

**Praise and Worship 2: Contemporary**  
**Seek Ye First**

**Led by Keith Mayers**  
**Karen Lafferty**

**Time for Youth & Young at Heart:**  
**I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me**

**VU #575, v. 1 & 2**  
**Led by Kay Bingham**

*Children leave for Sunday School*

**TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY**

**Scripture Reading: Matthew 17:1-8 NIV**      **Yvonne Aldred**

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Choir Anthem: Be Still, My Soul**      **Von Schlegel & J. Sibelius**

**Sermon: Church of Transfiguration**      **Rev. Dr. Thomas Shin**

**TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE**

**Offering Invitation**

**Band Offertory: There Is a Balm in Gilead**      **Spiritual**

**Offering Response: We Give You but Your Own**      **VU #542**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Praise and Worship 3: Led by the Choir**  
**Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring**

**VU #328**

**THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD**

**Commissioning and Benediction**  
**May the God of Hope Go with Us**

**VU #424, v. 1 & chorus**

**Postlude: It Is No Secret**

**Stuart Hamblen**