

Order of Worship Sunday, March 2, 2025 Transfiguration Sunday / Communion
Hear Pastor's Sermon by Phone 24/7 at 814-422-6238 - Website: PennsValleyParish.info
† - Please rise in body or spirit where you see this symbol.

CENTERING WORDS The reality of mountaintop experiences is that we don't live there. At some point, we have to come down. How do we sustain a mountaintop experience of God in everyday life?

† SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE (The Sanctuary Song, twice) *Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true, with thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Christ has called us here,

P: inviting us to offer praise and prayer.

L: May Christ's presence be revealed in this time,

P: showing us the way to go.

L: May Christ's glory shine in our worship,

P: that Christ's glory may shine in our lives.

† OPENING PRAYER

Radiant Lord, you shine with purity, power, and truth. Your mercy reflects your compassion, your care, and your love. Transform us into your image as we seek to follow you. Use us to make your presence known throughout the world. In your strong name we pray. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN Be Thou My Vision UMH #451

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DOXOLOGY

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.

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST – St. James UMC & Sprucetown UMC

HYMN OF PREPARATION Spirit of Faith, Come Down UMH #332

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Exodus 34:29-35 // 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 // Luke 9:28-44

MESSAGE Unveiled Glory!

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE UMH p. 12

† CLOSING HYMN Take Time to Be Holy UMH #395

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

PARTING THOUGHT: As God's glory shone in and through Christ Jesus, may God's glory shine in and through us with the beauty and grace of Christ's love.

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info

If you would like to understand better Methodist church history, how it is structured, sharing your faith, caring ministries, and more take the Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course. We will meet Friday, April 4th 6:30-9pm and Saturday, April 5th 9am – 5pm at Grace UMC, Centre Hall. The participant's booklet is required reading for the training and registration is required by March 26th. . Details are on the flyer on our bulletin board and our website. Led by the PV Cluster pastors.

March 4 – St. James Trustees meet at 6:30pm, Ad Board at 7pm. Note this is a Tuesday night.

March 5 – Community Ash Wednesday Service hosted by St. James UMC, Coburn at 7pm. Service includes imposition of ashes. Open to all. Part of the East Penns Valley Ministerium Lent Services.

March 6 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation hosted by St. James UMC, Coburn 9:30am. All ladies welcome.

March 10 – Begins the Lent Book Study on Max Lucado's *In the Footsteps of the Savior: Following Jesus Through the Holy Land*. Details on PennsValleyParish.info. Register today.

March 18 – You are invited to the Mountain Valley District Lent Worship Service on Tuesday, March 18, at 6:30 pm hosted by Greater Buffalo Run Valley UMC, 112 Trinity Court, Bellefonte. A special offering will be received for the Sierra Leone Initiative.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Palm Sunday is April 13

Easter Sunday is April 20 – Services; Trinity UMC 7am, St. James UMC 8:30am, Sprucetown 10am

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