



**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**

**Transfiguration Sunday  
February 11, 2024**

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings

[www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org)

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**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

You alone, O God, are righteous. You alone are perfect. You alone are judge. Yet, you come to us in love to save us. We gather, the people of your covenant, seeking your face and listening for your word. We want to stand in the light of your glory. Amen.

WELCOME

PRELUDE "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" W. Bardbury

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the days of the prophets, God reassured God's people that the covenants God had made would not be broken.

**The Lord promised, "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people."**

Even after humankind had failed to live as God envisioned for creation, God remained steadfast.

**The Lord promised, "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a new heart."**

As members of the living Body of Christ, God's covenants are God's promises to us.

**We see the sign of God's promise among us. God's Kingdom is coming right where we stand.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 263 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

**All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!**

**Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of  
all! Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord  
of all!**

**Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all  
majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! To him all  
majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!**

**O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!**

*(Please be seated.)*

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, beyond time and space, you call us to recognize creation's dependence on you; but instead, we work without pausing to reflect or give thanks.

**Forgive our ungrateful ways, and teach us to both receive and provide times of holy rest.**

Holy Lord, you call us to hold your name in reverence; but instead, we vainly attach your name to every personal, political, and religious agenda we promote.

**Forgive our arrogant ways, and teach us to submit to your authority.**

God of limitless possibility, you call us to celebrate your unbounded Spirit; but instead, we try to define who you are and make you to be something we can manage.

**Forgive our small-mindedness and idol-making ways, and teach us to imagine.**

God of deliverance and might, you call us to devote ourselves to you; but instead, we abandon you for lesser gods.

**Forgive our wandering ways, and teach us to love and follow you, and only you.**

*(A time of silent prayer.)*

#### KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

**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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Laurinda Ingram

*All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.*

*Afterward, young children may remain or proceed to the nursery.*

*Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.*

RECOGNITION OF SCOUTING

**God, your Word calls us to a life always before you and for your glory. This too is what scouting does - it calls us towards you. Along with these Scouts, we pledge with our lives and our honor that we will do our best to do our duty to God and our country; to help other people at all times; and to keep ourselves physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.**

**In faith, our pledge is to be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. All this, God, we pledge to your honor and glory. Amen.**

## **PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Mark 9:2-9

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah. (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from

the cloud: This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him! Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

SECOND READING

II Samuel 7:5-7, 11b-14a

Go and tell my servant David, This is what the LORD says: Are you the one to build me a house to dwell in? I have not dwelt in a house from the day I brought the Israelites up out of Egypt to this day. I have been moving from place to place with a tent as my dwelling. Wherever I have moved with all the Israelites, did I ever say to any of their rulers whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, Why have you not built me a house of cedar? And have done ever since the time I appointed leaders over my people Israel. I will also give you rest from all your enemies. The LORD declares to you that the LORD himself will establish a house for you: When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him with a rod wielded by men, with floggings inflicted by human hands.

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**Thanks be to God!**

RESPONSE NO. 587 “Alleluia!”

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

SERMON “Covenant Fulfillment”

Rev. Rebecca Luter

## RESPOND TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please remember those on our prayer list.*

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.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “O Day of Peace” C. Hubert H. Parry

O day of peace that dimly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to justice, truth, and love, delivered from our selfish schemes. May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from envy find release, till by God’s grace our warring world shall see Christ’s promised reign of peace. Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small; as beasts and cattle calmly graze, a little child shall lead them all. Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord, the hope of peace shall be fulfilled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

\*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.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Almighty God, on the mountain top, you instructed Peter, James and John: “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” We are listening, Jesus, and we hear your call to make the world a better place. By the power of your Holy Spirit we are standing on solid ground. Our hearts are thumping as we offer you these gifts in thanksgiving and faithfulness for you have blessed us to be a blessing, and you are going to see your Kingdom rise. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.**

\*HYMN - No. 193 “Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”

**Jesus, take us to the mountain, where, with Peter, James, and John, we are dazzled by your glory, light as blinding as the sun. There prepare us for the night by the vision of that sight. What do you want us to see there, that your close companions saw? Your divinity revealed there fills us with the selfsame awe. Clothed in flesh like ours you go, matched to meet our deadliest foe.**

**What do you want us to hear there, that your dear disciples heard? Once again the voice from heaven says of the Incarnate Word, “Listen, listen, everyone: this is my beloved Son.”**

Take us to that other mountain where we see you glorified, where you shouted “It is finished!” where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned centurion: “Truly this was God’s own Son!”

We who have behold your glory, risen and ascended Lord, cannot help but tell the story, all that we have seen and heard; say with Peter, James and John: “You are God’s beloved Son!

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*SENDING FORTH HYMN - No. 156

Verse 4

“Sing of God Made Manifest”

**Sing of God made manifest on the cloud-capped mountain’s crest, where the law and prophets waned so that Christ alone remained: glimpse of glory, pledge of grace, given as Jesus set his face towards the waiting cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.**

\*POSTLUDE “In Joyful Praise”

Lyons

\*Stand as able.

**Bold Type** – congregation in unison

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**Participating in the service today:**

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor

Doug Barr, Director of Christian Education

Jim Thrash, Director of Music

Tom Bryant, Accompanist

Tom Moots, Liturgist

Laurinda Ingram, Children’s Moment

Gerry and Gerri Wilder, Ushers

Gavin Davis, Acolyte

Chancel Choir



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AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES  
IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY AND  
ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING  
THEM, MAY BE ON CAMERA.

# Welcome IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THE CHRIST

We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. We are grateful for the visitors and friends of the Farmington family who add to our community each week.

**Need more information? Want to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship?** Go to our website: [www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org)

**Need to give us information? Want to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up?** Email us at: [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org)

**How do I join the church?** Members are received by Profession of Faith, Reaffirmation of Faith, and Transfer of Membership from another congregation. If you are interested in joining, please let Rev. Rebecca know or email [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org). We look forward to officially welcoming you into the Farmington Presbyterian Church family!

**Prayer Concerns and Pastoral Care** You are encouraged to complete a Prayer Concern card in the pew rack to add someone to the church's prayer list. Copies of the complete list are available in the folder under the Prayer Board in the office. You may reach Rev. Rebecca Luter at (901)674-8000 or [rluter@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:rluter@farmingtonpres.org).

## Happenings AT FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN

### This Sunday

**Flowers** this morning are given to the glory of God by Jinney Hart in celebration of loved ones for Valentine's Day.

**Fellowship Coffee** immediately following worship today, February 11<sup>th</sup>, Fellowship Coffee is hosted by Shelley Wann. Sign up to host Fellowship Coffee on our website to provide refreshments following worship, [www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org) Please keep it simple-something sweet and something salty.

**“Super Bowl” Sunday Fundraiser** chili pickup today, Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Orders placed will be available for pickup following worship. The proceeds donated will support the First Presbyterian Soup Kitchen.

**No Youth Fellowship** today, Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy the Super Bowl.

### This Week

**Ash Wednesday Service** We will hold an evening service in the Sanctuary and on livestream with imposition of ashes on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:45pm. Prior to the service, we will have a dinner available in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6pm. Dinner is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (under 12) with \$30 family maximum. Vegetable Stew and cornbread will be served. If you would like to receive ashes at home with a porch visit from Rev. Rebecca on Ash Wednesday, please email [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org).

**Room in the Inn** Farmington Presbyterian will be hosting Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at The Cottage at Germantown United Methodist Church. We

still need 5 more evening hosts to host our guests. The time frame is 5:00 - 9:30pm. You will prepare the beds, warm and serve the dinner, monitor showers and laundry, and fellowship with our guests.

### Next Sunday

**Children's Sunday School** follows the story of Jesus through the Sparkhouse curriculum. 10-10:45am in classroom A6.

**Youth Sunday School** will continue our walk through the Hebrews Scriptures, imagining ourselves in the stories to see what God is revealing. 10-10:45am in the Youth Room.

**Farewell Reception for Doug Barr** Join us after worship on February 18<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall to give thanks for Doug's ministry with Farmington and wish him well as he serves God at 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church, Little Rock.

**Youth Fellowship** Sunday, February 18th to play pickleball with Doug Barr one last time! 1:30-3:30pm at Riverdale Park.

### Announcements

**Lenten Wednesday Evening Dinners** Come enjoy mid-week fellowship and leave renewed for the rest of the week! Dinners will be at 6pm with a brief devotion in the Sanctuary that is both in-person and live-streamed from 6:45-7pm. Dinner is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (under 12) with \$30 family maximum.

**Adult Ministries Luncheon** February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Noon in the Youth Room. The speaker will be Vesta Andrews. Lunch will be prepared by Chef Scott Hutchins. The cost is \$13. Please contact Sandy Wann at [srwann@bellsouth.net](mailto:srwann@bellsouth.net) to make a reservation by Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Presbyterian Women** will be continuing the Horizons Bible Study: Sacred Encounters. The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 in the East Room. We will be combining chapters 5 & 6. Please join us as we delve into Jesus' impact on society when encountering individuals with disabilities. This study will transfer into a transformative experience for us in today's world.

**Food Pantry Collection** Farmington is collecting food pantry items for the Oakland Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. Canned meats, vegetables, pasta sauce, peanut butter, etc. can be dropped off in the basket by the West entrance of the church.

**Fellowship Coffee** Please consider signing up to host Fellowship Coffee on our website to provide refreshments following worship, [www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org) Simply-something sweet and something salty.

**2024 Flower Calendar** Giving flowers for worship is a way to remember those we love and celebrate significant moments in our lives. You may sign up on our website under "Sign-ups."

**Bulletin Mailing List** While we were all worshipping online, we sent a bulletin weekly to every household. If you are returning to worship in the Sanctuary and would like to be removed from the weekly mailing or if you are



worshiping online and would like to be added to the weekly mailing, please email us at [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org) and let us know.

**Communications from the Church** If you do not get the Happenings email each week and would like to, please email and let us know. We also send text reminders about upcoming Farmington events. You can get those by texting “@farmfam” to “81010.”

**Gathered to Worship...Sent to Serve** In response to God’s blessings and to support what God is doing through the Farmington family, you can make your offering through the website, using a checking account, or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

**This week at Farmington...** 12 folks enjoyed “Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner” last Friday night. Our next Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner will be April 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have a “favorite restaurant” you’d like to see on the list of options, please let Rev. Rebecca know!

**Remember in Prayer...**Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Jackie Baker, Barbara Beard, Kevin Beard, Bonnie Blair, Betty Boyd, Rev. Margaret Burnett, Kitty Cannon, Jeanne Carr, Ralph Carr, Judith Cassidy, Mary Lou Collins, Skip Flannery, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Vanessa Howard, Gary Hutchins, Bill Jones, Gene King, Bill Knight, Logan Knight, Iris Lawing, Carol Lovell, Dawn McKenzie, Faye McKenzie, Sara Millar, Kathryn Moots Newhouse, Susan Odom, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Sarah Pointer, Bill Renfrow, Jack Scherer, JoAnne Simpkins, Williams Stevens, Kathy VanderEcken, Jim Waller, Kasi Wann, Frank Whited, Jack Williams, Faye Woods, and from our Presbytery: Bethel Springs Presbyterian Church, Bethel Springs, TN and Camp & Conference Ministries.

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