



Wilshire
BAPTIST CHURCH

February 15, 2026
Transfiguration Sunday

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9:00 a.m.

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Chiming of the Hour

We gather in community this morning to worship God.
To help center our focus in worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Welcome to Worshipers

Maggie Morey

Centering Silence

One: We breathe in the breath of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Call to Worship

Maggie Morey

One: God of peace and love, bring to us a new awareness

All: Of your kingdom at work in the world.

One: Grant that we may see and understand

All: The small and unassuming things,

One: Which take patience and attention to notice:

All: A seed,

One: Yeast in bread,

All: Treasure buried in a field,

One: A net cast into water,

All: A baby lying in a manger.

One: We acknowledge that we mostly miss the signs when they are not flashy or earth-shaking,

All: But that your kingdom is all around us.

One: We acknowledge that Christ came to exhibit neither wealth nor political power,

All: But self-sacrificing love, which the world had never seen and mostly overlooks.

One: We acknowledge that the progress of the good work we do may be imperceptible to us,

All: And that our success is in our obedience to you.

One: We welcome your kingdom, in the world and in our hearts.

All: We seek your kingdom, certain that we will find it.

One: We anticipate your kingdom,

+All congregants are invited to stand in body or spirit.

All: Working toward peace,

One: Providing for the poor,

All: Healing the sick,

One: Loving our enemies.

All: We trust in your love to provide for us in our seeking.

One: Whether your spirit comes to us as a wind or a whisper,

All: May we know your presence and be useful to your kingdom work. Amen.

+Congregational Song

Be Thou My Vision

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Scripture Reading — Matthew 17:1–9

Amanda Hines

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
And for the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God!

Message

Amanda Hines

Prayer Practice — Call to Confession

Jordann McMahan

All: Holy and infinite God, we confess our need for you. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are lost and need your guidance. Hear our prayers, O Lord.

Music for Meditation

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Dan Forrest

Molly Shepard

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: We trust in God,

All: Whose mercy knows no end.

One: We trust in God,

All: Whose love is healing all brokenness.

One: We trust in God,

All: Whose grace is sufficient for every need.

Sending

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Benediction

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One: God our maker, we honor the sacred multitude that resides in you.

All: May the guardian in you protect us. May the child in you delight in us.

One: May the friend in you challenge us. May your ashes resurrect us.

All: May your sky shelter us. May the mystery of you liberate us.

One: Provide abundance and healing in all forms to those who need it today.

And deliver us from shame, hatred, and the chains that bind us.

All: For you have made us, and we are still being made. Amen.



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