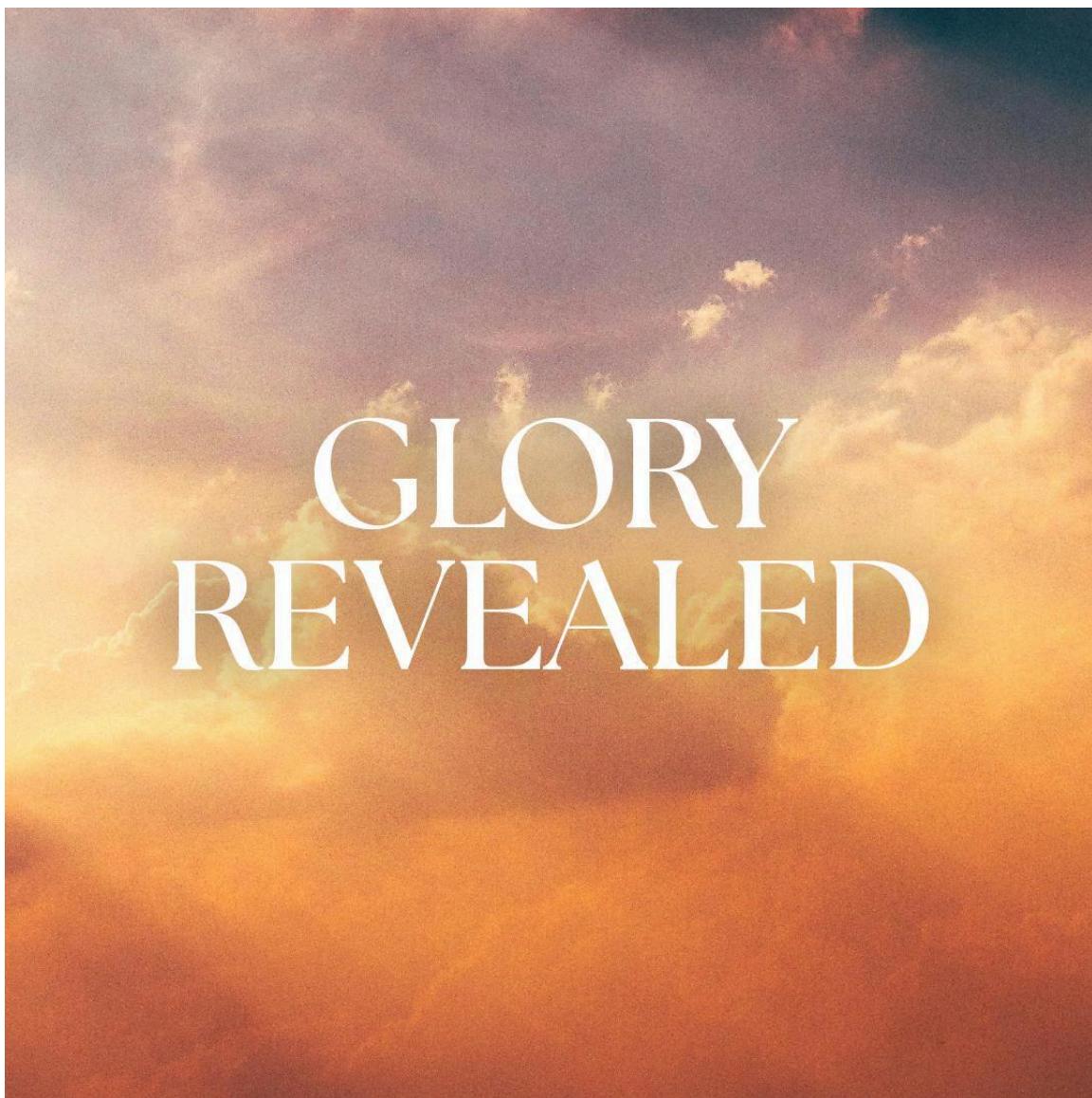


*Potsdam United Methodist Church*



GLORY  
REVEALED

*Transfiguration Sunday*  
February 15, 2026



## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: You are God's Beloved; with you, God is well pleased.  
You are renewed and restored.  
You are forgiven and loved.  
You are a new creation in Christ, everything old has passed away;  
see, everything is becoming new.  
Go and share the good news of God's love. Amen.

*Written by Rev. Mindi and posted on Rev-o-lution, <http://rev-o-lution.org/>*

## THERE IS A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH SONG...

### CHOIR ANTHEM *I Will Call Upon The Lord* ~ Arranged by Gary Rodes

## ... AND THERE IS A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH WORD!

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 24:12–18

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

2 Peter 1:16–21

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Matthew 17:1–9

THE MESSAGE Lent is Coming, Don't Give Up Your Love! Rev. Heidi Chamberlain

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*HYMN

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

UMH #173

THE PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (UMH #270)

*Responding to God's invitation, in joy, we offer our gifts*

## OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Again We Meet Around the Board* by George Careless,  
arr. Laurel Hunt Pedersen

\*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts*

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

L: Gracious God, we thank you for this day—a day blessed with light and joy,  
a day blessed with hope and abundance.  
May these offerings bring light to those who dwell still in darkness,  
or who cower in the shadow of death.  
Bless our lives to your service, in the name of your Son,  
who calls us to follow him and share your light with others. AMEN

## GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

UMH #404

## \*THE BENEDICTION

L: Come down from the mountain with mountain-like faith.  
Walk on God's paths as bright, shining lights.  
Live in God's ways with faith, hope, and love.  
Go into the world transformed and renewed!

*From the Abingdon Worship Annual. Posted on the Cokesbury website,  
<http://www.cokesbury.com/forms/DynamicContent.aspx?pageid=830&id=198>*

POSTLUDE

*There is a Green Hill Far Away* by J.H. Gower, arr. Martin Green

*Go forward, to live the church, in ministry to all the world!*

# THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK – TRANSFIGURATION ~ Rev. Timothy Haut

The path narrows,  
takes a forgotten turn  
as it disappears over a wooded hill  
and into a deeper forest.  
We travel this road by heart.  
The twisted trees,  
untended and overgrown,  
obscure our view,  
grasp at us as we pass.  
We will be wearied by the persistent wind  
and the gritty light,  
wishing for some better company  
than our own twisted and untended selves.  
Though some great-winged creature  
lurks at the edges of our sight,  
still we shall push on.

What is good in us  
will keep us from turning back.  
This journey will try us, teach us,  
take us the long way home.  
Today there is time  
for one more 'Alleluia'  
before we enter these Lenten lands.  
Perhaps it will be when  
a crocus purples the morning,  
or an early peeper rises from the mud  
to sing us a sign,  
or when we look up to see our reflection  
in another pair of eyes,  
then step back  
to marvel at that shining face  
which bids us go.

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## MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND SPECIAL SERVICES



- The Good Cup:** Enjoy conversation and a “cuppa” with Pastor Heidi & Pastor Carl, Wednesdays at noon at Jernabi Coffee House.
- Coffee & Jesus [A Lenten Study]:** Beginning **Wednesday, February 25th at 10:00 am** for five weeks at Potsdam UMC Fellowship Hall.

- **Cheery'Os:** Next meeting TBD.
- **Hearts and Hands on a Mission Craft Group:** 1st Thursday of each month, 2-4pm at the Parsonage. The next meeting is March 5th.
- **Ash Wednesday Service:** February 18<sup>th</sup>, 6pm.
- **Lent begins:** Sunday February 22nd.
- **Super Church - Sunday School:** Feb. 22nd.
- **A Journey Through Grief:** 2nd Thursday of each month, 4-6pm in Fellowship Hall. The next meeting is March 12th.
- **Palm Sunday:** March 29th.
- **Maundy Thursday Service:** April 2nd, 7pm.
- **Good Friday:** Self Directed Meditation and Reflection; the church will be open, and Pastor Heidi will be available 12pm - 3pm.
- **Easter Sunday:** April 5th.

Worship Participants	
<b>Microphone:</b> Norm Gardner	<b>Acolytes:</b> Jordyn Fish, Ben Fish
<b>Counters</b> Feb. 15: Debby Nikkari, Robin H. Feb. 22: Tom Ortmeyer, Christa C.	<b>Readers</b> Feb. 15: Collen Gondo Feb. 22: Tom Ortmeyer
<b>Greeters/Ushers</b> Feb. 15: Robin Howard, Judy Haer Feb. 22: Nancy Matthews	<b>Fellowship Time Hosts</b> March 1: Carrie Livernois April 5: Robin Howard & Judy H.

**Pastor: Heidi Chamberlain**

**Musician: Dr. Risa Okina ♦ Choir Director: Anthony Steen**

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