

# WILLAPA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Eighth Sunday after Epiphany/Transfiguration Sunday

All are invited to stand as able for items marked with an \*. Songs are in the United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) and/or The Faith We Sing (TFWS). Congregational responses appear in **bold**.

ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN IN FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP

### GATHERING TIME

### INVITATION TO WORSHIP

**\*OPENING SONG** Be Thou My Vision UMH 451

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP/OPENING PRAYER**

From a cloud, and in a crowd, God speaks to us.

**Calling us to be lovers of justice, to share hope with the broken.**

On mountaintops, and in neighborhoods, Christ calls to us.

**With a word, and with wonder, molding us into who we are.**

On the playground, and at the workstation,  
the Spirit whispers in our hearts.

**Gathering up our fears, as well as our dreams,  
and offering them to God.**

Sometimes we wait for God to astound us  
with whirlwinds of wonders, while God silently offers us grace.  
God waits to forgive us, so let us hold nothing back.

**You reveal the mystery of your grace, Holy One, by pouring out  
mercy upon us. As you bend down to listen, may we speak your  
love to all those around us. As you call us into your presence,  
you send us out to do your justice which brings hope to the  
world. This we pray in the name of your son Jesus Christ...and  
continue with the prayer he taught us: (all join in singing)**

**\*RESPONSIVE SONG** Our Father (video)

### FOR ALL CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

### READING THE WORD

Luke 9:28-36, (37-43)

This is the Word of God spoken.

**Thanks Be to God!**

Pew Bible  
NT 65

### MESSAGE

Light and Shadow

**\*RESPONSIVE SONG** Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus UMH 349

### HOLY COMMUNION

### SHARING AND PRAYER

### GIVING

UMH 415

### **\*DOXOLOGY**

UMH 94

**\*CLOSING SONG** We Have Come... TFWS 2103

### **\*SENDING FORTH**

**Thank you, God, for each person who by their presence, gifts and  
graces bring our worship and fellowship to life!**

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Raise your sights from the ruts of routine;  
Look up, look up, to the Lord who is found in everything.  
For God is greater than any abstract theory,  
Than any set of principles or moral values.  
God embodies all that is right and good.  
Whatever is true, honest, and just,  
Whatever is pure, lovely, and admirable --  
If it deserves praise or commendation, it is of God.

But we mortals keep our heads down.  
Like ants at a picnic,  
we busy ourselves with crumbs  
and miss the banquet.  
God is too great for us to grasp.

We know God through the lives of those who have known God;  
They depended on God, and God did not disappoint them.  
Our spiritual ancestors stumbled over God's unexpected presence;  
when they stubbed their toes, God forgave them  
because they were willing to learn.  
God walked with them, guiding their feet.

God has been good to us.  
In God, we find the ultimate example  
of how we should act towards others.

*Psalm 99 Paraphrase by Jim Taylor, quixotic.ca*

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# **Welcome to Willapa**



**We are blessed because you came!**

Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

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