

First Presbyterian Church

March 2, 2025

Transfiguration of the Lord

Morrison, Illinois

10:15AM

Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!



PRELUDE

THE GATHERING WELCOME

Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

INTROIT

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

No. 73 Vs. 1

OPENING PRAYER & MOMENT FOR MEDITATION

“Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.” —Philippians 3:17-21

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) (Psalm 99)

Pastor: The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

All: The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Pastor: Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

All: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Pastor: Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!

All: Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

Pastor: He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

All: O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

***HYMN**

Spirit

No. 319

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Lord God, you have shown your face to us through Christ Jesus. You have enlightened us and shown us the Way. You have come to earth to live and die for us. You have conquered death so we might live. However, we turn from your face, we walk away from where you guide, and choose death over life. Forgive us, we pray in Jesus' name....*Silent prayer followed by 'Amen'.*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Unison)

We are forgiven. We are given new life. We are still offered the Way. This is the promise we receive through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Praise be Jesus' name forever and ever! Amen.

HYMN

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

No. 579

GOSPEL READING

Luke 9:28-36

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians: 3:12-4:2

MEDITATION

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:26-29

Distribution of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer

***HYMN**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)

No. 592

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION** (Unison)

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we rededicate our lives in our utmost thanksgiving. We pray for our lives shine full of the love of our Creator, Christ and the Great Spirit. May the Light of God shine forth from us in every moment of our life. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

HYMN

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

No. 411

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE**

PASSING OF THE PEACE (*greeting: "Peace be with you," response: "and also with you"*)

*You are invited to stand for this portion.

**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).

Donations may be placed in the offering plate near the narthex door.



Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!

Remember in prayer: residents and staff of Resthove, Homestead and Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View); God's Will Giving Center.; Bev & Larry Bealer, Dan Brandon, Glenda Hegwood, Dale Johnson, Barbara Marti, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Jody Tucker, Rachael Tucker, Ray Tucker.

Love one another!

Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 10:15am from the church's Facebook group page: www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison. And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresmorrison>

Bible Study We will meet Tuesdays at 9:30am at Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View).

Drive-Up Meal The next meal will be on March 27. We will be serving ham and potato chowder. Meal begins at **5PM**. Help is needed on Wednesday at 1:30pm and Thursday starting at 4:15pm. We will be offering in person dining.

Upcoming Events:

03/02:

9:15am Sunday School
10:15am Worship Service
11:15am Coffee Hour

03/04:

9:30am Bible Study @ Highlight Health
4:30pm Ice Cream Social @ Highlight Health

03/09:

10:15am Worship Service
11:15am Coffee Hour

*Moses came down from Mount Sinai.
As he came down from the mountain
with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand,
Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone
because he had been talking with God.
When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses,
the skin of his face was shining,
and they were afraid to come near him.
But Moses called to them;
and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation
returned to him,
and Moses spoke with them.
Afterward all the Israelites came near,
and he gave them in commandment all
that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.
When Moses had finished speaking with them,
he put a veil on his face;
but whenever Moses went in before the Lord
to speak with him,
he would take the veil off,
until he came out;
and when he came out,
and told the Israelites what he had been commanded,
the Israelites would see the face of Moses,
that the skin of his face was shining;
and Moses would put the veil on his face again,
until he went in to speak with him.*

—Exodus 34:29-35

Birthdays

03/05: Angela Reamer
03/06: Blake Huizenga

STAFF

Pastor Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg
Office Manager Stacie Baker
Organist Scott Vandermyde
Custodian Courtney Bruckner

SESSION

ELDERS:

Rick Barr	Ron Shank	
Lexie Laughlin	Scott Vandermyde	Stacie Baker, Clerk
Tim Reynolds	Carol Wolf	



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