

TRANSFIGURATION



Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



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February 15, 2026

9:30am Worship

WELCOME TO BAUSMAN!

1ST TIME GUESTS: Most everything you need is found in this bulletin. Plus, those around you are glad to help and an usher is always available at the main rear entrance. If there are ways we can better extend God's hospitality, leave us a note on the Welcome Card. Your insights are essential as we continue to grow into the community God is calling us to be. Thank you!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: Congregational readings are in bold with an *All*, *People*, or *Unison* designation. Songs are in the bulletin or pew hymnal. Times for standing and sitting are listed, with it always being okay to remain seated.

"BUSY BAGS": Coloring books and crayons are available in the north narthex (lobby) for use during worship. Please return all items following the service for others to use the following week. See an usher for assistance.

NURSERY CARE: Available during worship for children birth-kindergarten. The nursery is past the office, to the right. See an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Is held during worship for 1st – 7th graders, except the first Sunday of the month. Youth meet their teachers after the children's message in the sanctuary. Parents, please pick up your child from the 2nd floor classrooms immediately following worship. Follow signs for the office.

RESTROOMS: Ladies and a unisex/accessible bathroom (with wall mounted baby changing table) are available through the doors at the front of the sanctuary. Follow the signs to the office. Bathrooms are on the left.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS: Contain printed scripture and music, in addition to being in a larger font. Ask an usher for a copy.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: Ask an usher at the rear entrance to the sanctuary who will provide you with a device directly tied into the sanctuary sound system. Please return the device to an usher at the conclusion of worship.

GET CONNECTED: Use the pew holder Welcome Card to register your attendance, share contact information, ask questions, and more. Once completed, place it in the offering plates during the offering time.

WIFI & DEVICES: Thank you for silencing all your devices during worship. Bausman's guest wifi is accessible with the passcode: "gladurhere!"

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE

Centering Thoughts: When was the last time someone deeply listened to you? Do you remember what it felt like? Do you remember the connection it created between you and the other person? If you are like most people, it's powerful to be listened to in this way. Deep listening is all about validation. To listen deeply, you have to want to hear, understand, and care about another. Knowing this to be true, when was the last time you deeply listened to God?

Opening Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

Sharing of Christ's Peace

(Rise in body or spirit to share Christ's peace using customary forms of greeting or by using a peace sign. Please be seated once the prelude begins.)

Prelude: "O Worship the King" - J. Michael Haydn, arr. By Lani Smith

(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into our presence, calling us to worship)

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Call to Worship

Pastor: The Lord is king;

People: Let the peoples tremble!

Pastor: God sits enthroned upon the cherubim;

People: Let the earth quake!

Pastor: The Lord is great in Zion;

People: He is exalted over all the peoples.

Pastor: Let them praise your great and awesome name.

People: Holy is God!

Pastor: ...Extol the Lord our God, call upon God's name,
and worship at his holy mountain.

People: For the Lord our God is holy! Amen.

-Psalm 99 adapted

Processional Hymn: "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" (p. #182)

WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR HEALING & GRACE

Call to Confession

Corporate Confessional

All: Ever present God, you are the air we breathe,
you are the source of our heart's beat,
you are before us in everything we see.
Yet, we fail to breathe in your breath, to feel the rhythm of your beat,
and to gaze in awe of you.
Instead, we rush past you, we run over you, we shut our eyes to you.
Forgive the impulses of our sin that tear us from you.
Still our mind, deepen our breathe,
that here and now we may be found in you;
that in the sacredness of this silence
we may be beholden to the wonder of you.
Speak Lord, for your servants are listening.

Personal Silent Confession

(Personal prayers for God's healing and redeeming peace)

Assurance of Grace

Pastor: ...For it is the Lord of lords, and the King of kings,
who lifts us up this day!

People: By grace we are saved. By love we are healed. Thanks be to God!

Confession Response

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in 6/8 time. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with the bass clef providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains the lyrics: '¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios! / Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est,'. The second system contains the lyrics: 'Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra-a-que-llos que a - ma Dios. . . . / And on earth be peace to all peo-ple with whom God is pleased.' The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and half notes, as well as rests and repeat signs. Chord symbols C7, F, C, and F are placed below the first system. The final measure of the second system is a double bar line with repeat dots.

¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tu - ras a Dios!
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est,
Y en la tie - rra paz pa-ra-a-que-llos que a - ma Dios. . . .
And on earth be peace to all peo-ple with whom God is pleased.

(Please be seated)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S LIVING WORD

Message for the Young & Young at Heart

(All youth are invited to come forward to the front steps. Those in 1st-7th grades are dismissed to Sunday School or back to their guardians following the message.)

Prayer of Illumination

**All: Holy One, open now for us the gift of your revelation,
through ancient word and spoken reality.
Set free your Spirit in our souls
that we may be numbered among your flock –
those who hear their master and follow at your call. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 24:12-18 (p. #70)

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-13 (p. #18)

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.” And the disciples asked him, “Why, then, do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?” He replied, “Elijah is indeed coming and will restore all things, but I tell you that Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but they did to him whatever they pleased. So also the Son of Man is about to suffer at their hands.” Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them about John the Baptist.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: “Listen To Him!”

Chancel Choir Anthem: “10,000 Reasons” - Myron: Redman

WE RESPOND TO GOD

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Statement of Faith – Colossians 1:15-20

**All: Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;
for in him all things were created,
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities –
all things were created through Christ and for Christ.**

Christ is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Christ is the head of the body, the church;

**he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
that in everything he might have supremacy.**

For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

and through him all things are reconciled to God,

whether on earth or in heaven,

by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sings)

All: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

*(Electronic & physical giving options are available through the pew envelope.
Register your attendance with a Welcome Card or using Realm's mobile check-in.)*

Offertory: "Adagio" from Water Music - G. F. Handel, arr. by Thomas Bliss

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Offering Response (Unison)

The musical score is for a unison offering response, written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise God a-bove, you heaven-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost." The music is simple and hymn-like, with a steady rhythm and a clear melody.

Prayer of Dedication

All: Bountiful God, you have provided the richness of your Son,
whose very humility led him to die for us on the cross
so that we and this world might be set free to the fullness of life.
May our acts of giving unite us to his sacrifice and his glory,
so that our lives might proclaim of peace, share of blessing,

**and be sources of your mercy.
Therefore, bless all that we give in service to you. Amen.**

WE GO WITH GOD'S CALLING

Recessional Hymn: “O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair” (p. #184)

(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into the world, as the choir leads us in the way.)

Commissioning & Benediction

Chimes

Postlude: “The Church's One Foundation” - Steven Scott, melody by Samuel Wesley

(As the postlude concludes, go in peace to love and serve at the calling of God.)

PALM BRANCH BURNING SERVICE LITURGY

(This service will be held outside, by the semi-circle drive within 5 minutes of the conclusion of the worship service. Participants will share in the liturgy and have an opportunity to place palm branches into the fire.)

Invocation

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Gathering Prayer

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

...and the depth of your passion to save.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Pastor: ...that touch our flesh with truth.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Pastor: ...might come to the font of rebirth through your resurrection.

People: Lord, guide us in your truth. Amen.

Scriptural Reflection: Psalm 90:1-6, 12

Pastor: Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.**

Pastor: You turn us back to the dust and say, "Go back, O child of earth."

**People: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday,
when it is past, and like a watch in the night.**

Pastor: You sweep us away like a dream;

People: we fade away suddenly like the grass.

Pastor: In the morning it is green and flourishes;

People: In the evening it is dried up and withered.

Pastor: So teach us to number our days

People: That we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Burning of the Palms

(Once a bundle of palms is lit, you are invited to move in a line past the firepit, offering a prayer and placing your palm upon the burning pile)

Prayer of Blessing

Pastor: ...leading all who receive of their blessing, to share in your life.

People: Amen.

Sending Prayer

Pastor: Merciful God, you called us from the dust of the earth,
and claimed us for Christ in the waters of Baptism.

**People: Look upon us as we prepare for the forty days of Lent,
that our fasting be a hunger for justice;
our alms, a way of making peace;
our prayer, the song of humble and thankful hearts.**

Pastor: Bless us, and the entirety of this creation, as you move us
from death to life, through your call to follow in the way
of our crucified and risen savior, now and forevermore.

People: Amen.

THIS WEEK AT BAUSMAN

Sunday, February 15 – Transfiguration Sunday

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery, Burning of Palms (*following worship*)
- 1:00 PM New Members Class – Fellowship Hall
- 3:00 PM Scouts – Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Scouts – Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary

Monday, February 16

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:00 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, February 17

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Consistory

Wednesday, February 18 – Ash Wednesday

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Upper Level
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Worship & Imposition of Ashes

Thursday, February 19

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 AM Women's Recovery Group, Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 PM S.O.A.R.
- 6:30 PM Bell Choir, Sanctuary
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

Friday, February 20

- 8:15 AM 815 Morning Meeting – Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM Family BINGO Night – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 22

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery
- 8:00 PM Wyo Cub Scout Committee Meeting – Library

PRAYERS & CARES

Congregational Cards of Care

God invites us to share life-giving love through our faith. One way to do this is to weekly join in our “Cards of Care” ministry. This week we are uplifting Hayley Wertz, now lives far from Bausman. Stop by the table in the front left corner of the sanctuary to add your name and care to this week’s card. Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Thank you for joining in the joy and care of others by including the following prayers in your prayer times. Submit your prayer requests by using a Prayer Card, contacting the church office, or the prayer chain coordinator (Mary Moll). Prayer requests are maintained for up to four weeks and can be resubmitted an unlimited number of times. When possible, please check with the person before submitting their name.

Praise & Celebrations: St. Paul's UCC, Amityville & Pastor Don Epps

Healing & Strengthening: Gene Aulenbach; Becky Wright; Mary Hollinger; Mary Motz

Care & Support: Randy Ulmer; Commander Alison (Derr) Maruca & Family; Major Jamie Derr & Family; The people of Minneapolis; Les Moll; Savannah Guthrie

Comfort In Time of Loss: The Family of Dr. Corey Jones; The Family of Renee Good; The Family of Alex Pretti; The Family of Robert Cappuccio (David Cappuccio's father)

Birthdays Celebrated this Week

2/15 Paxton Fetherolf

2/16 Mrs. Patricia Hatt
Stan Graeff

2/19 Jodi Reardon

2/20 Aubrey Wentzel

Anniversaries Celebrated this Week

2/21 Gary & Sue Rhoads

Worship Information

Sponsorships

Bulletins: To the Glory of God by Gail Freymoyer.

Today's Worship Leaders

Ministers: All Members

Head Usher: Mike Ritter

Ushers: Kathy Errich, Kent Hollinger,
Marjorie Huyett, Sue Rhoads

Acolyte: Oliver & Anna Keller

Reader: Ryan Stone

Welcome: Cece Wagner

Minister of Music: Sharon Luyben

Preacher: Rev. Joseph Motz

Nursery: Amalia Cannon

Altar Guild: Shelby Brunner

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Last Week's Worship

Worship Attendance: In Person: 61

Online: 16

Offerings Received for God's Ministry:

General Fund: In person \$2858.00 Online: \$1151.50

**“LOOK AND SEE”
WHAT IS HAPPENING AT BAUSMAN!
FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

(Visit bausmanucc.org and sign up for the weekly e-blasts as well)

Did You Bring Last Year's Palm Branches to Worship?- If so, they will be included in the children's message and then burned following worship to make Ash Wednesday's ashes. The burning of the palms reminds us that our ultimate hope is the victory of Jesus on the cross, who raises us with him from death to life. All are invited to participate in the brief outdoor burning service following the morning worship.

(This Week) Ash Wednesday Worship – February 18, 6:30pm - Ash Wednesday is an opportunity to intentionally step into the spiritual journey of Lent through the receiving of ashes and a special altar communion. It will also mark the beginning of our Lenten focus. Look for the February newsletter & Eblast for more information.

2026 Lenten Daily Devotional Booklet – Pastor Joe, along with several of his colleagues, co-authored a Lenten Devotional Booklet. These free booklets have been printed and are available on the table at the front of the sanctuary. You can also access this booklet digitally if you receive the weekly Eblast.

Family Dinner and Bingo Night - Friday- February 20, 2026, 5:30pm -8:30pm – Fellowship Hall doors will open at 5:15pm and a buffet dinner will be served 5:30pm. Water will be provided so please bring your own beverage if you would prefer something else. BINGO will begin at 6:30pm with 20 games to be played. Donations will be accepted this year, at the door, to help defray the cost of food. Please be sure to ***sign up by Sunday, February 15, 2026*** (*sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board*). If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Longenecker.

Lenten Food Collection - Looking for something to give up this Lent season? The SOAR committee will be collecting food for the Calvary UCC Food Pantry, New Journey and Spartan Station from **February 22nd through Palm Sunday, March 29th**. All three missions could use the following items: canned foods, whole meals such as soups, chili, Chef Boyardee, Mac and cheese, peanut butter jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, instant oatmeal etc. Non-food items such as shampoo and conditioner, soap - hand and body, deodorant, laundry products are also needed. Collection containers will be in the front and east narthex of the church. Questions? Contact Mike Ritter at (610) 781-5946.

"Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor." Proverbs 22:9

Opportunity House Meal – February 22 - Bausman UCC is scheduled to make and deliver a meal for Opportunity House on Sunday, February 22, 2026. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the meal. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Bonnie Shiner at (610) 488-1671.

Family Promise Meals – February 23 - Three times a year, Bausman volunteers make and deliver three meals to families in the Family Promise of Berks County program. Our first date for 2026 is Monday, February 23rd. Please contact Kathy Errich if you are able to make and deliver a meal.

Celebrate Girl Scout Sunday – March 8 - Join us for worship **Sunday, March 8**, as we recognize **Girl Scout Sunday** and celebrate the courage, confidence, and character of girls in our community. Girl Scouts will be part of the worship experience, and we'll highlight the impact of the Girl Scout program while welcoming young girls who may be interested in joining. Stay after worship for fellowship and refreshments as we continue the celebration!

In the Hospital? Who have you asked to call? - It is always helpful to call the church when you are admitted to the hospital. Even better, plan ahead by letting a friend or family member know you would like them to call the church if you are admitted to the hospital. St. Joe's provides no information to congregations. With Reading Hospital, make sure your patient record reflects you are a member at Bausman and you would like the church notified. This information has been known to be dropped from the hospital's system. Regardless, giving the church a call (or having a family member know to do so) will help ensure you receive intentional care from your congregation.

Would You Like to Be Receiving Home Communion? - Has your life situation changed in the last 6-18 months? Have you discovered it has been a long time since you have been able to physically attend worship? If so, we would love to include you in home communion visits. Communion is a central part of our relationship with Christ and with God's church. With the expanded lay minister care team we are providing quarterly home communion. Contact the church office to be added to the list.



Pork & Homemade Sauerkraut Dinner Sale – The annual Pork and Homemade Sauerkraut Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, March 7 from 4-6pm. The dinner will be held as a combination of in-house and takeout. Adult dinners are \$11, Children ages 5-12 are \$6. Dinners will include pork and sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, bean salad, apple sauce and a slice of cake. Quart containers of pork and sauerkraut are \$11/qt and quarts of just sauerkraut are \$8/qt. Last day to place an order is Sunday, March 2, 2025. Proceeds benefit property maintenance, improvements & operations of Bausman.

Remaining Soups for Sale – There are a few containers of soup available to purchase for \$11/qt: Please contact Lori Moser or Bonnie Shiner if you are interested.

Become a Bulletin Sponsor – Become a bulletin sponsor by using the Sign-up forms and calendar poster located on the doors by the church office. Bulletin sponsorship is \$15 each or 2 for \$25.

How to Get Free Money for Bausman Using your Redner's Card - Remember to scan your Redner's Card at checkout. Then submit your full receipt to the church office or place in the East Narthex collection box. Friends and family can support Bausman with their receipts as well! Redner's gives the church 1% for every purchase. But it only applies when you scan your card at checkout.

In Case of Worship Cancellation Due to Inclement Weather - In the case there is a need to cancel worship due to poor weather conditions, cancellation information will be posted on the following platforms:

- The church answering machine message, option 3
- Email sent out through Realm and Posted on the Newsfeed
- Facebook - [Bausman's Facebook](#) page
- WFMZ.com - Under [Business and School Closings](#)



The Keystone Connection

A Message to the Conference

February 10, 2026

Dear Keystone Members and Friends –

Jesus said to Peter, "...go to the sea and cast a hook; take the first fish that comes up; and when you open its mouth, you will find a coin; take that and give it to them for you and me." Matthew 17:27

Chances are you're not very familiar with this passage from the same chapter of the Gospel of Matthew that begins with the Transfiguration. It is not included in our cycle of lectionary scriptures. So, when I was assigned to it for a daily devotional book to which I contribute each year, I was fascinated by it.

Matthew 17:22-27 is very different from the more familiar "to give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's," because the temple coins in that scene were in the pockets and hands of the Pharisees. This scene has others asking if Jesus and his disciples are going to participate in paying a temple tax which would be a sign that Caesar does have some temporal power over them. Some scholars believe this is not the annual Jerusalem temple tax but a tax that was collected for a temple being built in Rome for the Roman god Jupiter, a tax Matthew's audience would have been familiar with. So, Jesus and his disciples paying such a tax would show that indeed they do have a king who is Caesar, who also believed he was a god. Instead, Jesus gets around paying that tax from his, Peter's or any communal funds by creating the miracle of the coin coming from the fish.

How nice it would be to have a fish with a coin in its mouth to pay taxes for things we don't agree with! We'd probably all love to have more control over where exactly our federal, state, and local taxes go to funding. But here, Jesus found a way around the emperor's tax. That points to an interesting aspect of faith.

Maybe sometimes a life of faith is about finding creative ways around authority to facilitate change. Sometimes it may be picking and choosing which things we need to take a stand against. Or maybe it is sometimes about paying a tax we don't like so that we can live a life of faithfulness with enough freedom to fight injustice in other ways. In these tumultuous times, may God give us the divine creativity we need to navigate these kinds of important decisions.

Rev. Dwight Hein

Coordinator for Leadership Development

Keystone Conference

Outdoor Ministry

Summer Church Camp Season is on the horizon. Watch this Keystone Connection for information about camps at Living Waters (June 28 - July 25), the HC Spirit Camp in Milroy (July 26-Aug 1), Camps Kierchenwald and Nawakwa (all summer). The Keystone Conference has set aside some funds for camperships and an application is available here: <https://keystoneucc.org/mission-grants-committee/>

Living Waters Camp & Conference Center

Fishing Camp - June 28 to July 2, for grades 6 to 12

Primary (grades K - 3) - July 5 to 11

Elementary Camp (grades 4 - 6) - July 5 to 11

Junior-Senior High Camp - July 12 - 18

Grandparent / Grandchild Camp is July 12 to 15

College students can also attend the TYC (Trinity Youth Conference) camp planned by the Presbyterian Church - July 19 - 25.

Brochures will be mailed in mid February and registrations open in March.

HC Spirit Camp is hosted at Hartman Center Campground, Milroy, PA, the former camp home of Penn Central Conference. The folks who operate the now-campground welcome us for a week each summer. The camp community can share their treasured memories while making new ones with young and new campers, and experience and celebrate the new mission and growth of the property.

The theme for HC Spirit 2026 is "In the Wilderness." The camp community will be challenged to see wilderness in action not only in nature, but in our relationships, decision-making, discoveries and visions for God's future. Keep checking in at hcspiritcamp.org for the upcoming brochure and registration links, COMING SOON!

Also save the dates for the **Mid Atlantic Youth Conference**, July 23 - 26, 2026 at Laurelville Retreat Center in Mt. Pleasant, PA. The theme is I AM. Email Rev. Shannon M Garrett-Doege, Coordinator for Faith Formation for Youth for more information. A registration link and call for volunteers will go out soon!

Keystone Conference of the United Church of Christ's first Annual Meeting will be held June 5-7 at Millersville University in Millersville. Overnight accommodations will be on campus as well as the DoubleTree Hilton in Lancaster. Registration will begin in March 2026.

Our theme is "Joy at the Table Together" and our centering scripture is Acts 2:46-47 "Every day they met together, breaking bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God." The meeting will include a Service of Consecration for Keystone Conference.

Speakers will include Rev. Dr. Marcia McFee, author of Think Like a Filmmaker: Sensory-Rich Worship for Unforgettable Messages; Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia Thompson, General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ; Rev. Dr. Mary Luti, author of Do This: Communion for Just and Courageous Living; Rev. Greg Edwards, Executive Director of POWER Interfaith, Secretary Russell Redding, PA Secretary of Agriculture, and Rev. Freeman Palmer, Conference Minister for the Central Atlantic Conference.

We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

Matt. 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-8; Luke 9:28-36

Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1988

1 We have come at Christ's own bid - ding to this high and
 2 Light breaks through our clouds and shad - ows, splen - dor bathes the
 3 Strength-ened by this glimpse of glo - ry, fear - ful lest our

ho - ly place, Where we wait with hope and long - ing for some
 flesh-joined Word, Mo - ses and E - li - jah mar - vel as the
 faith de - cline, We, like Pe - ter, find it tempt-ing to re -

to - ken of God's grace. Here we pray for new as -
 heav - enly voice is heard. Eyes and hearts be - hold with
 main and build a shrine. But true wor - ship gives us

sur - ance that our faith is not in vain, Search - ing
 won - der how the Law and Proph - ets meet: Christ with
 cour - age to pro - claim what we pro - fess, That our

like those first dis - ci - ples for a sign both clear and plain.
 gar - ments drenched in bright - ness, stands trans - fig - ured and com-plete.
 dai - ly lives may prove us peo - ple of the God we bless.

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

Luke 9:28–36; Matt. 17:1–5; Mark 9:2–7

Latin, "Sarum Breviary," 1495
Transl. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt.

1 O won - drous sight, O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
 2 From age to age the tale de - clare, how with the
 3 The law and proph - ets there have place, two cho - sen
 4 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
 5 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great

that the church shall share, Which Christ up - on the
 three dis - ci - ples there, Where Mo - ses and E -
 wit - ness - es of grace; The voice of God out
 man - i - fest to - day What glo - ry shall be
 vi - sion's mys - ter - y, For which in joy - ful

moun-tain shows, where bright - er than the sun, Christ glows!
 li - jah meet, they with the Christ God's fu - ture greet.
 from the cloud pro - claims the Hu - man One a - loud.
 theirs be - yond, who live with - in God's lov - ing bond.
 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

This tune was composed in honor of the defeat of France at Agincourt by England under Henry V. The words, "Deo gracias . . .," were added in honor of the English king's wish that the glory for the victory be given to God.

Tune: DEO GRACIAS L.M.
 "The Agincourt Song," England, c. 1415
 For other harmonizations, see 209, 259