

### Palmyra First Church Staff

James D. Anderman, Pastor  
pastorjim@palmyrafirst.org

Michael Frentzen, Organist

Jill Funck, Preschool Director  
noahslittlearkpa@gmail.com

Heidi Reinbold, Administrative Assistant  
admin@palmyrafirst.org

### Focus for Next Service

February 18th, 2026

***Rev. Dave Williams-Speaker***

*Ash Wednesday*

### ***Public WIFI Log-in***

***PFUMC-Guest      Password: ConnectMe!***

Let us know you are worshiping with us,  
whether you are in the Sanctuary or on YouTube.  
Please fill out a connect card in your bulletin  
or use the comment section on YouTube  
to make your prayer request known to the pastor.

He will include your thanks to God  
and your prayer concerns in our pastoral prayer.

If you would like to add your prayers to the weekly prayer chain,  
contact Karen Lynch at 717-571-5903 or karen\_lynch@me.com.

9:00 AM Non-Traditional Service

10:30 AM Traditional Service

All services are both in person and live-  
streamed on our website and YouTube.

Music that is not in the public domain is used by permission under CCLI#1748683cv

## **Palmyra First** **United Methodist Church**

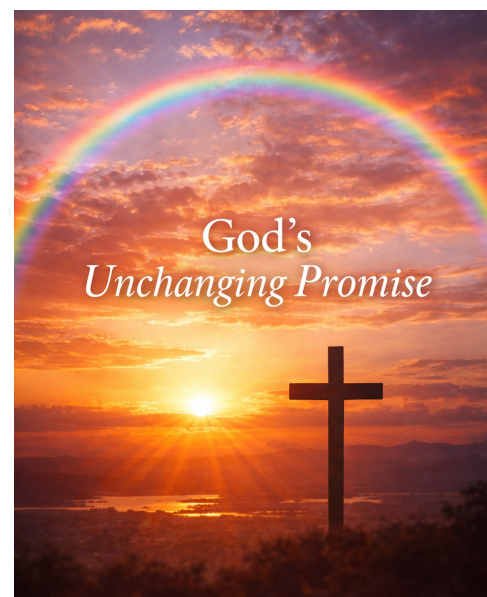


520 E. Birch St.

Palmyra, PA 17078

717-838-2551

[www.palmyrafirst.org](http://www.palmyrafirst.org)



**February 15th, 2026**

## **God's Unchanging Promise**

***Transfiguration Sunday***

***10:30 AM Service***

*Serving Christ, Changing Lives!*

\*Congregation standing, as able

## **God's Unchanging Promise**

Prelude

\*Call to Worship                      Brauninger p. 59 (Lectionary Worship Aids) alt.

Leader: God said it again.

**People: At the transfiguration of Jesus, God said,**

**“This is my Son, the beloved;  
with him I am well pleased.”**

Leader: God said these same words at Jesus' baptism.

**People: After all Jesus' living, all his work,**

**and all his teachings,  
the mind of God did not change.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the God whose love is constant.

\*Opening Hymn      #173      “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

Opening Prayer                      Kirkland p. 92 (Lectionary Worship Aids)

**Almighty God,**

**as your people of ancient times pledged  
to do your will and be obedient to your laws,  
so have we committed ourselves  
to be faithful followers of your Son.**

**So too, Lord, as your children of old**

**sometimes failed to keep their word,  
so have we neglected your commandments  
and chosen to follow the desires of our own hearts.**

**Forgive us, we pray, and**

**as we come to this mountaintop experience  
of worship, enable us to renew our commitment  
and strengthen our faith in you  
so we may go forth into the world to do your will.**

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Confessions      Words of Pardon and Assurance

The Lord's Prayer      “using the word sins instead of trespasses”

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading                      2 Peter 1:16-21

Gospel Reading                      Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon                      “God's Unchanging Promise”

\*Hymn of Response      #260      “Christ, upon the Mountain Peak”  
tune #596

Prayer for Help                      Hymnal #259

**Holy God,**

**upon the mountain you revealed our Messiah,  
who by his death and resurrection  
would fulfill both the law and the prophets.**

**By his transfiguration, enlighten our path**

**so we may dare to suffer with him  
in the service of humanity  
and so share in the everlasting glory of him  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever.**

**Amen.**

Offering

\*Offertory Response                      #95      “Praise God For Whom....”

\*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

\*Closing Hymn                      #384      “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response                      #666      “Shalom to You”

Postlude