

Monte Vista Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2026
10:30am MT

Order of Worship

Welcome		Pastor Dave
Prelude	<i>Jesu, Dulcis Memoria (Andante & Adagio)</i> by Flor Peeters	Paulette McClellan
*Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 99)		Janice Devereaux
One:	Let's stand to honor the Lord our God!	
Many:	With joy we come to lift our voices to praise God.	
One:	Lover of justice, we worship you!	
Many:	Forgiving God, you are holy.	
One:	You answer us when we call,	
Many:	so we're here to worship the Lord our God!	
*Opening Hymn	<i>God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand</i>	725 (vv. 1, 2, & 4)
*Opening Prayer		Janice
	Mighty God, we're gathered and online, focused on you as Lord of our lives. Thank you for the good gift of this day, for the joy of coming together in community to praise your name. Thank you for the opportunity we have to bring our tithes, our gifts, and our offerings to strengthen this congregation and support the ministries to which you call us. Thank you for your love, made known to us even in the midst of challenges and tribulations. Thank you for raising us up and offering us this new day! Call to us in this hour, and inspire us to answer as faithful followers of your beloved son, Jesus, the Christ. AMEN.	
First Scripture Reading	2 Peter 1:16-21	Janice
	For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.	

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

One: A word from God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with us at office@montevista.org.)

Prayer Hymn

Near to the Heart of God

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Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastor Dave

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Holy One, our Mother and Father, let your name be revered. Let your kin-dom come, let your will be done on earth as it is in the heavens. Give us today the bread we need for today. And forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For yours is the kin-dom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Pastor Dave

Special Music

Beautiful Savior

Vista Voices

trad., arr. by Anna Laura Page

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

Pastor Dave

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."

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Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Handling Ourselves Through Seasons of Change

Pastor Dave

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

Invitation to the Table

Joni Harstine

(Your tithes & offerings can be given via online donations on [our website](#), on the [Givelify app](#), or by mailing your check to the church office. Thank you.)

*Communion Hymn	<i>Open My Eyes, That I May See</i>	586
Words of Institution		Pastor Dave
Prayers for the Bread and Cup		Joni
Receiving Communion		
Minute for Justice		Joni Harstine
Prayer of Thanksgiving		Pastor Dave
Invitation to the Community of MVCC		Pastor Dave
*Closing Hymn	<i>Abide with Me</i>	636 (vv. 1, 2, 3, & 5)
*Announcements		Pastor Dave
*Benediction		Pastor Dave
Postlude	<i>Echo in B Minor (Overture Français)</i> by J. S. Bach	Paulette

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| Janice Devereaux, Worship Leader | Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist                     |
| Wally Miller, Sound              | Rev. Dave McVey, Interim Minister, Preaching & Presiding |

## God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand 725

Trumpets, before  
each stanza  
(optional)

1. God of the a - ges, whose al-might-y hand  
2. Thy love di-vine hath led us in the past;  
3. From war's a-larms, from dead-ly pes-ti-lence,  
4. Re - fresh thy peo- ple on our toil-some way;

leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
in this free land with thee our lot is cast;  
be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen- dor through the skies,  
 be thou our rul - er, guard-ian, guide, and stay,  
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease;  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

A musical score for a three-part setting. The top part is in treble clef, the middle part in bass clef, and the bottom part in bass clef. The music consists of two staves of five measures each. The lyrics are as follows:

our grate- ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
thy Word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
thy boun-teous good - ness nour- ish us in peace.  
and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

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## Near to the Heart of God

1. There is a place of qui - et rest, near to the heart of God;  
 2. There is a place of com - fort sweet, near to the heart of God;  
 3. There is a place of full re - lease, near to the heart of God;

a place where sin can - not mo - lest, near to the heart of God.  
 a place where we our Sav - ior meet, near to the heart of God.  
 a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.

O Je - sus, blest Re - deem - er, sent from the heart of God,

Refrain

hold us who wait be - fore you near to the heart of God.

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WORDS and MUSIC: Cleland B. McAfee, 1903

McAfee  
CM w. refrain

## Open My Eyes, That I May See 586

1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps- es of truth thou  
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic - es of truth thou  
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth

hast for me; place in my hands the won- der - ful key  
 send - est clear; and while the wave - notes fall on my ear,  
 ev - ery-where; o - pen my heart and let me pre - pare

*Refrain*

that shall un - clasp and set me free.  
 ev - ery-thing false will dis - ap - pear. Si - lent - ly now I  
 love with thy chil - dren thus to share.

wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.

O - pen my eyes,  
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 O - pen my heart,

## Abide with Me

636

1. A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven - tide;  
 2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
 3. I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;  
 4. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
 5. Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

1. the dark - ness deep - ens, God, with me a - bide;  
 2. earth's joys grow dim; its glo - ries pass a - way;  
 3. what but thy grace can foil the temp - ter's power?  
 4. ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness;  
 5. shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

1. when oth - er help - ers fail, and com - forts flee,  
 2. change and de - cay in all a - round I see;  
 3. Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?  
 4. where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?  
 5. heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

1. Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 2. O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
 3. Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.  
 4. I tri - umph still if thou a - bide with me.  
 5. in life, in death, O God, a - bide with me.