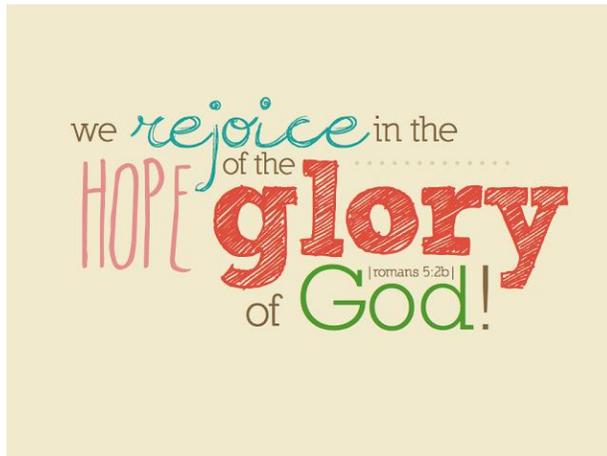




# SILVER FALLS UNITED CHURCH



## Sunday February 26, 2017

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**Congregational Responses are in Bold print.**  
 Today's service is being led by Rev. Steven Longmoore

**Duty Team for February**  
 Bill & Barb Mahaffy, Corinne & Paul Carpenter

## Prelude

## Welcome & Announcements

## Lighting of the Christ Candle

### Introit Glorify Thy Name

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
 Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
 Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name,  
 Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
 Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
 Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name,  
 Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

## Call to Worship

One: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

**All: we are called to be God's people.**

One: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him to the  
 peak of another mountain,

**All: we are called to follow wherever he leads.**

One: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's  
 voice,

**All: we are called to worship in wonder and praise.**

### Opening Prayer

**All: God of the mountain top and of the plain, we remember today, the Transfiguration of Jesus. Glorious, mysterious, and shimmering with light, you know our hearts, our triumphs, and our disasters. Take us as we are; love us as we are; join with us and transform us into your holy ones. Amen.**

Opening Hymn How Good, Lord, to be Here VU 103

### Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

One: Sometimes in life, there are precious moments when we feel God especially close to us, when time seems to stand still. We want to hang on to those times.

**All: We want to stay on the mountain top. But the valley calls us; we have to go back to the valley.**

One: We want to shut our ears and eyes to the cries of people for justice, to the cries of the poor for food, to the cries of the lonely and the outcast to be hugged and accepted. We want to forget about the “real world.”

**All: We want to stay on the mountain top. But the valley calls us; we have to go back to the valley.**

One: It is a good thing to spend time in quiet prayer and meditation, to sit and listen to the voice of God. But it is not good when we want to shut ourselves off from the needs and blessings of being part of the world.

**All: Forgive us, God, for those times when we want to**

**escape, to run away, or when we want to stay on the mountain top. But the valley calls us; we have to go back to the valley.**

### **Silent Reflection**

One: Jesus leads us up the mountain top for renewal and refreshment.

**All: And Jesus walks with us down into the valley, and is with us in the world. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### **Statement of Faith A New Creed**

**VU 918**

### **Children's Hymn      Give Me Oil in My Lamp**

#### **Verse 1**

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,  
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray,  
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,  
Keep me burning 'til the break of day.

#### **Chorus**

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!  
Sing Hosanna to the King of Kings!  
Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!  
Sing Hosanna to the King.

#### **Verse 2**

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
Give me joy in my heart, I pray,  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
Keep me praising 'til the break of day.

#### **Chorus**

## Children's Story

### The Lord's Prayer

### Children's Hymn    Give Me Oil in My Lamp

#### Verse 3

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
 Give me love in my heart, I pray,  
 Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
 Keep me serving, 'til the break of day.

#### Chorus

	<b><u>Scripture Readings: Paul Bustin</u></b>	
	<b><u>Hebrew Scriptures:</u> G pg.92 - B-pg. 81</b> Exodus 24:12-18	Reader: These are our sacred stories <b>All: Thanks be to God</b>
	<b><u>Psalms 2:</u> VU 725</b>	
	<b><u>Epistle:</u> G pg. 321 - B pg. 299</b> 2 Peter 1:16-21	Reader: The Word of the Lord <b>All: Thanks be to God</b>
<b><u>Gospel:</u> G pg.24 - B pg.25</b> Matthew 17:1-9	Reader: Glory be to you, O God <b>All: Praise be to you, O Christ</b>	

## Reflection

### Ministry of Music    Song of Fellowship by D. Besig & N. Price

## Faith in Action

## Receiving Our Offerings and PAR Cards

## Dedication of Offering

Joyful, joyful, Lord we bring You

Gifts that You can use today.  
 Take them, bless them, may Your kingdom  
 Spread to all the world, we pray.  
 We are here, our time and talents  
 We would dedicate as well.  
 May we show Christ's love within us,  
 By our lives, our faith to tell.

### **Offertory Prayer**

**All: Loving God, as part of our listening to Jesus, we offer you these gifts that they might enhance Christ's message in our world, and call others ever closer to you. Amen.**

### **Invocation to Prayer**

Lord, listen to your children praying,  
 Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
 Lord, listen to your children praying,  
 Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

### **Pastoral Prayer**

**Closing Hymn**    Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah                      **VU 651**

### **Benediction**

One: After their journey to the mount of transfiguration, the disciples' understanding of Jesus was forever changed. May ours continue to grow and change and expand each time we encounter Christ in our daily living, and let us go out into the world to offer the Christ – alive in each of us – to those we meet. Amen.

### **Choral Blessing**    **May the Lord, Gracious Lord**

May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep you forever,  
 Grant you peace, grant you grace, courage in every endeavour,

Glory to God, may He hear your song, guard and guide you ever,  
May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep you forever.

## Postlude



## Prayer Corner

*This information is given so that you may "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." (Rom. 12:15) Please pray for those that come to mind...*

*All members of the Unified Board, as well as the congregation and community of faith that is Silver Falls United Church, Edna & Jim Garvin, Nancy Doucette, Denis Matheson, Stan Fortune, Murray Ewart, Ruth Bailey, Lillian Campbell, Gladys Howard, Mary Nixon, loved ones who are residents of nursing facilities and all those who are dealing with issues of unemployment, family crisis, loneliness or despair.*

*\*\*Due to privacy regulations, please obtain the individuals approval prior to submitting their name for the bulletin.*

## **Church & Community Announcements**



**Annual Congregational Meeting  
Today after Church!  
Join Us for Lunch!**

The UCW is holding a **Pie-Making Day** on Feb. 28 at 9am.  
All help is appreciated.

On **Sunday, March 5**, Silver Falls will host the **Loch Lomond Villa Worship Service** at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend!

A note from "Simply Pam" --- Beloved Church Family you are all invited to work, donate or just attend the **Annual Flea Market on Sat. April 8th**. Please start gathering your "treasures" but hold onto them until further notice. We will again feature our Hol-e-y Cafe, bake and book tables. Stay tuned for updates!

Silver Falls United Church will once again be hosting a **Wellness Fair** entitled “**Life After 50 – The Next Chapter** on **Saturday, April 22 from 2-4pm**. The next planning meeting will be taking place on **Tuesday, Mar. 7, at 11:45am** at Silver Falls United Church. Anyone interested in helping with this event is more than welcome to attend. For more information, contact Barbara Mahaffy at 696-6269.

**World Day of Prayer ~ Am I Being Unfair To You?**  
**Friday, March 3 at 2pm All Saints Church, 35 Park Ave.**

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 6:00 - 7:30pm in the CE Hall**  
 Menu: Pancakes, sausages, ham, beans, tea, coffee & juice.  
 \$5 Adults; \$3 Children 12 and under  
 Sponsored by Silver Falls Scouting

There will be a **UCW meeting** after church on **Sunday, March 5**, in the parlour. All women of the church are welcome to attend.

**Shrove Tuesday Supper**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 4:00 – 6:00pm, Glen View United Church**  
 Menu: Pancakes, sausages, beans, home fries, brown bread, desserts  
 \$10 Adults; \$5 Children 6-12; \$25 Family

An **Ash Wednesday service** to mark the beginning of Lent will be held on Wednesday, March 1 at 6:00pm at Glen View United Church.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Scripture Reader</b>	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Counting</b>
<b>Feb 26</b>	Paul Bustin	Marion Sherwood	Kelley Thompson & Sharon Maguire
<b>March 5</b>	Barbara Mahaffy	Sarah W. & Doris R.	Bill & Barbara Mahaffy
<b>March 12</b>	Rosemary Day	Sharon Maguire	John, Barb & Sarah Woollven
<b>March 19</b>	Greta Richard	Elvina Brighton	Kelley Thompson & Sharon Maguire

**Please call or email the office if you need to make a schedule change.**

**Mar. 5 Scriptures:** Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Psalm 32 (VU 759); Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

**Duty Team for March:** Jean Watters, Lorraine & John Redstone