



St Ives Uniting Church

15 February 2026

Transfiguration of Jesus

Call to worship and welcome

Hymn: 158 God has spoken by his prophets

Prayer of adoration

Responsive reading: Psalm 99

¹ The Lord reigns,

let the nations tremble;

he sits enthroned between the cherubim,

let the earth shake.

² Great is the Lord in Zion;

he is exalted over all the nations.

³ Let them praise your great and awesome name—

he is holy.

⁴ The King is mighty, he loves justice—

you have established equity;

in Jacob you have done

what is just and right.

⁵ Exalt the Lord our God

and worship at his footstool;

he is holy.

⁶ Moses and Aaron were among his priests,

Samuel was among those who called on his name;

they called on the Lord

and he answered them.

⁷ He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud;
they kept his statutes and the decrees he gave them.

⁸ Lord our God,
you answered them;
**you were to Israel a forgiving God,
though you punished their misdeeds.**

⁹ Exalt the Lord our God
and worship at his holy mountain,
for the Lord our God is holy.

Prayer of confession

Assurance of forgiveness

Hear Christ's word of grace to us, "Your sins are forgiven"

Thanks be to God

Hymn: Blessed assurance

Notices

Lawrence Peak

Bible readings:

Matthew 17:1-9

Robyn Egarr

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ² There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. ³ Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

⁴ Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."

⁵ While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified.

⁷ But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.”

⁸ When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, “Don’t tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

2 Peter 1:16-21

Caroline Turner

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ He received honour and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.” ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

¹⁹ We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

²⁰ Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation of things. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: Salt and light

Hymn: 430 Your words to me

Offering

Offering response: 768 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Prayers of the people and the Lord's prayer

Shirley Ashton

Hymn: 155 O Lord my God (How Great thou art)

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Postlude

Pianist

Lawrence Peak

