

CHURCH ON THE CAPE

United Methodist Church

Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2026

Rev. Greg Smith



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*those who are able, please stand to worship

*Large print bulletins and hearing assistive devices are available,
please ask an usher.*

HYMN SING

Susie Goodwin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Altar Flowers are given today by Debbie and Rich Parsons in loving memory of our parents.
- Thank you Shirley Bradbury & Ruthie Clark for hosting Coffee Hour.

PRELUDE: Sweet Hour of Prayer – William B. Bradbury; Wihla Hutson, arr.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God rules over all creation.

People: We bow before God in humble adoration.

Leader: May all the people behold God's greatness.

People: Holy is our God and awesome are God's deeds.

Leader: God rules with justice.

People: God demands justice and equity for all people.

Leader: Moses, Aaron and Samuel were God's priests.

People: When they called, God answered.

Leader: God spoke to them from a pillar of cloud.

People: God spoke to them from the top of the mountain.

Leader: God gave them commandments to follow.

People: God would not tolerate oppression and injustice.

Leader: Still, God was merciful and forgiving.

**People: We will praise our God and worship on God's holy
mountain.**

*HYMN

“O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair”

UMH #258

UNISON PRAYER

hymnal #259

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 24:12-18

STORY TIME

SECOND LESSON

2 Peter 1:16-21

SONG: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies – Charles Wesley & Phil Carver

The Song Sisters

Liz Phillips, Amy Hall, Susie Goodwin, Helen Farnsworth

Nancy Chamberlin, Organ

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

MESSAGE

“The ups and downs of discipleship”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #883

OFFERTORY MUSIC: I Love to Tell the Story – William G. Fischer;

Wihla Hutson, arr.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

UMH #103

BLESSING

POSTLUDE: Recessional – Wihla Hutson

Lectionary

February 22

First Sunday in Lent

- Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7
- Psalm 32 (UMH 766)
- Romans 5:12-19
- Matthew 4:1-11

PARISH NOTES

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Ash Wednesday Worship will be on February 18, at 7:00 pm.

BON APPETIT

Wednesday, February 18th, is Church on the Cape's Day to volunteer. Please arrive by 4:30 pm at 19 Crescent Street in Biddeford.

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION SUNDAY

During worship on March 8, we will be receiving and recognizing new members of the church. If you would like to be part of the group who are joining the church, please speak to Rev. Smith soon!

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter deadline for the March newsletter is Tuesday, February 24. Please send your Newsletter Submissions to Charlie Benore at sailchess@gmail.com.

LADIES LUNCHEON AT THE BULL AND CLAW

There will be a ladies luncheon at The Bull and Claw on Friday, February 27 at 11:30 am. Please RSVP to Pastor Sue Ellery at 978-270-7428 / susanbellery@gmail.com or Diana Smith at 802-495-6724 / 2nddsmith@gmail.com

BIBLE STUDY FOR LENT

Our group will read and discuss "**An Unlikely Lent**" by Rachel Billups. This study introduces us to the overlooked characters in the Passion narrative, from Mary of Bethany to the servant girl, Barabbas, and Simon of Cyrene. Billups helps us see how these unlikely voices reveal God's surprising grace. If there is enough interest we will offer the same times we did during Advent: Tuesdays 12-1 p.m. and Thursdays 6-7 p.m. The first date of Study is Feb. 24. The book will cost \$18.

COMMITTEE HELP NEEDED

We have several committees in the church that could use more members to help with their important work! One of those is the Staff Parish Committee, which is our personnel committee. This is a required committee and has a defined size of nine members. At present we have three vacancies that need to be filled. If you would like to know more, or would like to volunteer, please speak to Pastor Greg.

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

Our Good Friday worship service will feature a dramatic reading with seven different readers. Pastor Greg would like to identify these readers soon. We need people who are not in the choir to volunteer for these parts.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

HELP SHAPE UNITED WAY'S WORK IN SOUTHERN MAINE

Real change starts with listening. United Way of Southern Maine is hosting Community Conversations across Cumberland and York counties to hear directly from people who live or work in Southern Maine. We want to understand your experiences, challenges, and hopes for the future.

WHY ATTEND?

This is your opportunity to be heard. By sharing your thoughts, you help identify the strengths, challenges, and opportunities in our community. Your voice can highlight areas where United Way of Southern Maine—and you—can take action. Be part of the solution and help shape the future of Southern Maine.

JOIN US!

Use this link to sign up:

<https://southhckport.breezechrms.com/form/051c71>

DATE: Tuesday, February 24th

TIME: 12-1:30pm (lunch included)

**LOCATION: South Church Community House
8 Temple Street, Kennebunkport**



UNITED WAY
Southern Maine

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Judy Cadieux	Patty Hutchins	*Ann Nelson
Julie Chase	Bethany Hessel	Mary Parker
Fran Celnar	Micki Kinney	Desmond Parker
Mary Heather Cookson	Lesa Kraft Angelos	Luverne Preble
Micke Cooper	Brett LaCour	Steve Russell
Risha Deary	Nicholas LaCour	Nancy Russo
Beth Dudley	Janet Lennon	Lettie Samuel
Henry & Diane Dynia	Charity Perry Liutai	Eric Schoener
Jean Earley	Chloe McLaughlin	Jane Smith
Sally Ewton	Jean Moulton	Chuck Wildes
*Harold Falcone	Marybeth Munroe	*New to Prayer List

February Birthdays

February 2	Pat Linscott
February 5	Gwen Purushotham
February 8	Jackson Phillips
February 10	Bobby MacIver
February 11	Gary Schoener
February 12	Elissa Boulter
February 14	Kaitlyn Schoener
February 20	Diane Connelly
February 24	Linda Brock
February 25	Barbara Fuller
February 26	Nikki Evans

If you would like to add someone to our birthday announcements,
please let the office know. 207-967-5787

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

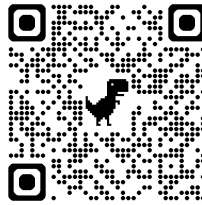
Sun., Feb. 15	9:45 am	Hymn Sing
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Mon., Feb. 16	10:00 am	Chimes
Tue., Feb. 17	10:30 am	Knitters
	11:30 am	Picnic Lunch
	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open
Wed., Feb. 18	2:00 pm	Senior Moments Rehearsal
	4:30 pm	Bon Appetit
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
Thu., Feb. 19	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open
	5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sat., Feb. 21	10am-12pm	Cargo Shop Open

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun., Feb. 22	9:45 am	Hymn Sing
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Mon., Feb. 23	10:00 am	Chimes
Tue., Feb. 24	Today	Newsletter Deadline
	10:30 am	Knitters
	11:30 am	Picnic Lunch
	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open
Wed., Feb. 25	2:00 pm	Senior Moments Rehearsal
Thu., Feb. 26	2-4 pm	Cargo Shop Open
	5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Fri., Feb. 27	11:30 am	Ladies Luncheon
Sat., Feb. 28	10 am– 12 pm	Cargo Shop Open



Everyone is welcome at Church on the Cape, UMC, without exception. What matters most to us and what unites us as a vibrant, compassionate community of faith, is the assurance that we are all beloved children of God and of sacred worth to our Creator. Come as you are and join us on our faith journeys as we seek to make followers of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



Join us from wherever you call home:

If you like what you see here, we post our worship, music, children's messages and sermons online - you can find them via our website :

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Church on the Cape Staff

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