

Welcome to Worship

Ginter Park Baptist Church

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Transfiguration Sunday • February 15, 2026 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

During this time of reflection, we invite you to take a few moments to prepare yourself for worship. Take a few deep breaths and settle into the quiet. Center yourself through art by coloring the attached picture. Slip off your shoes and remember that you are on holy ground. No matter what this time looks like for you, your whole self is welcome in this space.

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Lisa Horn

CALL TO WORSHIP

Raymond Cady

*Responsive readings like this one are a part of worship. The congregation's part is in **bold**.*

Leader: Come up the mountain with Jesus.
People: **We come seeking the light of Christ.**
Leader: The world urges us to rush, to fix, to prove ourselves.
People: **God invites us to be still, to listen, to receive.**
Leader: A cloud overshadows the disciples, and the Holy Voice speaks:
People: **“This is my Son, the Beloved... listen to him.”**
Leader: We remember saints who walked through shadow and sang faith into the night.
People: **We lift our voices and stand on holy ground.**
Leader: Let the glory of Christ reshape our vision and steady our steps.
People: **We will not fear. We will listen. We will follow.**

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN NO. 33

“How Great Thou Art”

O STORE GUD

Some of us stand while singing, and others don't. Please join us in song in whatever way you are comfortable.

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Raymond Cady

Prayer requests are shared out loud with the gathered community. If you have a joy or a concern to share, please raise your hand to request the microphone

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

HYMN NO. 575

“Come and Find the Quiet Center”

BEACH SPRING

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 17:1-9

Bill Nieporte

One: This is the Word of God, for the people of God

Many: Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Don't Just Do Something, Stand There!”

Bill Nieporte

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE ““Give Me Jesus” with ‘Stand by Me’”

Arr. Horn

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

Anita Laffoon

HYMN NO. 167

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Go TELL IT

CLOSING COMMISION

Anita Laffoon

Leader: When the moment is bright and the world feels changed—

People: Help us not to cling to the mountaintop.

Leader: When the road is hard and the valley is loud—

People: Help us not to panic, but to stand and listen.

Leader: May Christ's light go with you into classrooms, kitchens, and crossroads.

People: We will walk in courage, justice, and love.

Leader: Go in peace—steady, prayerful, and unafraid.

People: We go, held by God's glory. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: And also with you.

Our services are hybrid, meaning there are cameras in the worship space to allow those joining us via Zoom to fully participate. If you would rather not be on camera, we have marked the areas where our cameras can't see you.



Are you visiting with us today? We'd love to get to know you better!

Scan the QR code to tell us more about you.

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of February 15, we pray for the coming of God's realm in Metropolitan Richmond: For redemption of the divisions, prejudices, pettiness, despair, and discrimination of the past.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

BPFNA~Bautistas por la Paz (Baptist Peace Fellowship) is the largest Baptist network of peacemakers in the United States inclusive of other denominational faiths, non-confessional groups and individuals. They are a progressive, intercultural organization of peacemakers and are gender-diverse, inclusive, and affirming. They seek to empower the poor, liberate the oppressed, free the captive, and pronounce a new day of grace for all of creation.

Called Business Meeting

We will have a called business meeting on February 22 immediately after worship to review budget updates. Please plan to attend in person or via Zoom.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible study meets at 10 am at the Ashland location, 10981 Richardson Road. Contact Don Polaski for more information. All are welcome!

Ash Wednesday Service

We will have a combined Ash Wednesday service with Anointed New Life, First Mennonite, and Bethlehem Baptist churches. It will be at First Mennonite (601 E Parham Rd, Richmond, VA 23227) on February 18th at 7pm. Join us as we mark the beginning of Lent and prepare for Easter.

Chili Cook-off - new date!

Our annual Chili Cook-off and Bingo night will be February 28th at 6pm! Sign up on Realm to bring chili, sides, or dessert (chili add-ons like cheese and sour cream will be provided). And don't forget to bring a white elephant gift for the Bingo prize table!

Page Turners Book Club

The next book assignment is *The Husbands* by Holly Gramazio. We will discuss this book in March, date TBA.

Backpack Update

Our backpacks are being prepared at 10981 Richardson Rd, Ashland 23005. Dixie and Connie will continue as co-facilitators of the program. Contact one of them to volunteer. Don't forget to bring in your paper bags!

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up!

Hymn Texts

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How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin:
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
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Come and Find the Quiet Center

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base,
making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
behold throughout the heavens, there shone a holy light.
Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

The shepherds feared and trembled when, lo! above the earth,
rang out the angel chorus that hailed the Savior's birth:
Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

Down in a lonely manger the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.
Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere.
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.



He was transfigured
before them.