

**Applewood United Church
and Affirming Congregation**
Sunday February 15, 2026 10:30 am
Transfiguration Sunday
*(*please stand in body or in spirit)*
Bold words are for all to share

Music for Gathering: "Jesus Is My Hope", "Voix Seraphique"

Territorial Acknowledgment and Announcements

We understand that the land on which we live, work and worship is situated upon traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron - Wyandot, the Haudenosaunee and later the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The territory is mutually covered by the "Dish with One Spoon" Wampum Belt agreement. In the spirit of reconciliation, we commit to building relationships with all created beings, those who were here before, those who have settled, and those who continue to settle on this land. We commit to partnering with our Indigenous neighbours in being stewards and caretakers of God's Creation. Today, this remains the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we seek to live as reconciled people through our respect for, and our learning and understanding of, our Indigenous siblings.

Centering Music "Behold, Behold" MV 115

* Call to Worship *(responsive)*

One: The light of God the Creator is shining with love.

All: Rise in our hearts, Bright Morning Star!

One: The light of God the Spirit accompanies us with love.

All: Give peace to our souls, Luminous One!

One: The light of Christ the Liberator
radiates love from the mount.

All: Shine in our lives, Light of the World!

One: We are the beloved of our Creator God -

All: We worship with gratitude and praise!

* Opening Hymn "How Brightly Beams the Morning Star" VU 98

Opening Prayer

For Reflection: Candle Lighting

Sung response "Fairest Lord Jesus" VU 341, verse 3

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,

**and fair the twinkling, starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
than all the angels heav'n can boast.**

Scripture Readings: *(Inclusive Bible)*

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalms 2 VU pg 725, with Refrain

Matthew 17:1-9

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Choir: "As We Come Together"

Reflection: Light It Up!

*Hymn: "This Little Light of Mine"

1. This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine. 3X
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2. Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine. 3X
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3. Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine. 3X
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

4. For all the world to see,
I'm gonna let it shine. 3X
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Invitation to the Offering

Offering of Music: "Allegretto"

* Hymn of Dedication: "You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd" VU 210 vs 2 (tune of VU 36)

* Offering Prayer *(together)*

All: We come to worship, O God, trusting that your light and love are given freely and without reserve. Grant then that we may always strive to give and live as you would have us

do, that your light will always shine through us as a sign of your love in the world. By our gifts and actions may we give living witness to your light, known best for us through Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*) VU 960

* Hymn "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" VU 104

* Commissioning/Benediction

* Sung Amen VU 969

Music for Scattering: "Sing To The Lord"