



**UNITED CHURCH OF SUN CITY**  
*“Where Everyone Is Someone Special.”*  
\*All may rise, in body or spirit.  
Congregational response in bold  
Transfiguration Sunday, March 2, 2025

**PRELUDE**                      “Andante Tranquillo”                      Felix Mendelssohn  
   Beverly Fletcher, piano

**GREETING, CENTERING, and CANDLE LIGHTING**

**INTROIT**                              “You Are Mine”                              David Haas  
   Choir featuring Lan Qiu, violin

**\*UNISON PRAYER**

Spirit of Transformation, you move from the mountaintop to our lives bringing a newness that only you can offer. The question becomes, what will we do because of your renewing revelation? Today, we pray, that as your followers, we can embrace moments of brilliant change and then with praise incorporate them into our daily living. Amen.

**\*OPENING HYMN**                              “When Love Is Found”                              (words on the screen)

**SILENT REFLECTION, PRAYER, THE LORD’S PRAYER**

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.

**PRAYER RESPONSE**                              “Lamb of God/Jesus Paid It All”                              arr. Cindy Berry  
   Floyd Ellison, piano

**GOSPEL READING**                              Luke 9:28-36 (NRSV)

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                              “Meditation from Thaïs”                              Jules Massenet  
   Lan Qiu, violin

**SERMON**                                      “Seeing Jesus in a New Way”  
   Rev. Brady Abel

**COMMUNION SONG**                              “Come Find Forgiveness and Love”                              Don Besig  
   Choir featuring Lan Qiu, violin

**HOLY COMMUNION**

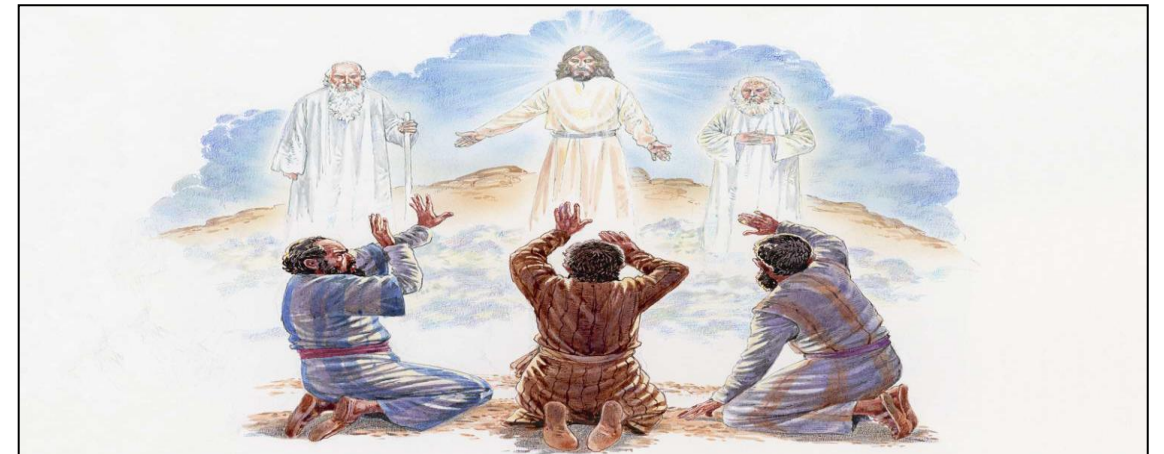
**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Amazing One, thank you for the meal shared at this table, reminding us, once again, of your power to provide and to make a difference. We pray to do the same. Amen.

**ANTHEM**                                      “The Old Rugged Cross”                              Don Besig  
   Choir featuring Lan Qiu, violin

**CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS and BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**                                      “Czardas“                                      V. Monti  
   Lan Qiu, violin



What's Happening This Week...

<b>March 2</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>8:40 am</b> <b>10:00 am</b> <b>11:00 am</b>	<b>SUNDAY – Birthdays Celebration!</b> <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b> <b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>Worship with The Sacrament of Holy Communion†</b> <b>Coffee Fellowship with Birthdays Celebration!</b>
<b>March 3</b> <b>11:00 am</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> <b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>MONDAY</b> <b>SilverSneakers Classic in the Beehive</b> <b>Walking Group</b> <b>Tai Chi in the Beehive</b>
<b>March 4</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>Men's Breakfast at George's Lakeview Café</b> <b>SilverSneakers Strength &amp; Balance in the Beehive</b>
<b>March 5</b> <b>9:00 am</b> <b>11:00 am</b> <b>12:00 pm</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> <b>5:00 pm</b> <b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY – Ash Wednesday</b> <b>Converse and Connect in the Beehive</b> <b>SilverSneakers Classic in the Beehive</b> <b>Power of the Pause – Stop and Pray</b> <b>Walking Group</b> <b>Ash Wednesday Service at Sun City Christian DOC</b> <b>AA Meeting in the meeting room</b>
<b>March 6</b> <b>11:00 am</b> <b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>Bible Study, Pastor's office</b> <b>SilverSneakers Strength &amp; Balance in the Beehive</b>
<b>March 7</b>  <b>9:30 am</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>A Matter of Balance Class in the Beehive</b>
<b>March 8</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>Office Closed</b>
<b>March 9</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>8:40 am</b> <b>10:00 am</b> <b>11:00 am</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b> <b>Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>Coffee Fellowship</b>

## Weekly Word

**Welcome!** Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Our prayer is that you will feel United Church is your spiritual home.

Please do not hesitate to contact our pastor with questions. We hope you will return soon to worship at United Church!

### STAFF

Rev. Brady Abel, Senior Pastor

Greg Bradley, Moderator

Bill Zimmer, Past Moderator

Alan Paulson, Minister of Music

Beverly Fletcher, Organist

Praise Team: Kira Kadel-Funk, Brenda Goodenberger, Cheryl Tucker

Robin Lemkuil, Office Manager/Assistant to the Pastor

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Lisa Dunbar, Parish Nurse

Karen Crawford, Finance Secretary

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All Members & Friends of United Church, Ministers of the Good News.

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*God is still speaking,*  
**UNITED CHURCH**  
**OF CHRIST**



**MONTHLY PARTICIPATION**

**Head Usher:** Randy Skanes  
**Greeters:** Bud Andreason, Mary Sue Andreason  
**Head Teller:** Mary Sue Andreason  
**Tellers:** Diane Gahm, Gerry Paul, Donna Bone

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 117**

**DID YOU KNOW . . . God is calling you today . . . but not on your cell phone! Please silence yours. ☺**

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Ann Mordt’s friend Sheila; Floyd Ellison’s friend Nicole; Gerry Paul’s grandson, Shane and sister-in-law Theresa; Phil Costa’s ex-wife Sue; Laurie Allen; Fay Dee Hamilton; Kathy Geiger; Arthur and Leslie Chrissan; Greg Yagi’s mom Nancy; Craig Zimmerman’s sister Colleen; Brenda Gunther’s daughter Bonnie and her family; Mary Segers-Koscielny’s brother Robert Schneider; Lisa Dunbar’s brother-in-law Ron Coppess; Nancy Wohlhuter; Philip Atem. Prayers for anyone who is suffering from coughs, colds, flu or COVID. Continued prayers for Peace for the people in Ukraine.

**WELCOME!** Are you visiting with us today? Welcome to United Church of Sun City! We are so glad to see you! We invite you to join us in the Sacrament of Holy Communion and to stay for fellowship following our service. If you have any questions about our Church, feel free to ask the pastor, usher, or contact us another way. We are so glad you are here and hope to see you again.

**BIBLE STUDY:** In-person study will continue on Thursday, March 6 at 11:00 am in Pastor’s office. An E-mail will be sent out early in the week. All are welcome!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** The Activity and Fellowship Committee invites you to enjoy coffee and a “Birthday Treat” after worship today. Wishing you many Happy Birthday moments...the kind that leave you feeling special and loved all day long. Join us as we celebrate all birthdays in 2025!

**LAN QIU (PROFESSIONAL VIOLINIST WITH THE PHOENIX SYMPHONY):** Today we welcome LAN as he joins the Music Ministry Team to enhance our worship service.

**SILVERSNEAKERS CLASSIC** has been added to the weekly schedule beginning March 3. It will be offered on Mondays and Wednesdays at 11:00 am in the Beehive. SilverSneakers Strength and Balance will continue at its regularly scheduled time Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:00 pm. Bring a friend and join them.

**MEN’S BREAKFAST:** Join the Men’s Breakfast on Tuesday, March 4 at 8:00 am at George’s Lakeview Café, 10502 W. Thunderbird Blvd. Sun City.

**CONVERSE & CONNECT** study group will now be meeting at 9:00 am beginning Wednesday, March 5, 2025. Come to the study group and stay for SilverSneakers afterwards! Bring a friend!

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** Lent begins Wednesday, March 5 with the Community Ash Wednesday Service at 5:00 pm. Service will be at Sun City Christian DOC at 9745 W. Palmeras Dr., Sun City. Pastor Brady will be assisting with the service. All are welcome to attend.

**SPEAKER SERIES:** Tuesday, March 11, Sun Health Presents will speak about “Understanding Grief and Mourning”. The presentation will be held at 10:30 am in the Beehive. *Please register on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table.*

**LADIES LUNCH BUNCH** will be at 1:00 on Thursday, March 13 at George’s Lakeview Café. Please RSVP with Hedy or the Church office (623-933-0058).

**BIBLES and HYMNALS** are located on a rack near the door in the back of the Sanctuary. if you would like to use one during today’s service, please take one with you to your seat. You are also welcome to follow along using the YouVersion Bible App or BibleGateway.com on your silenced phone.

**GREETER SCHEDULE:** A big THANK YOU goes out to those who have offered to serve as greeters. If you would like to become better acquainted with your church family while also serving the church as a greeter, please sign up at the back of the church. There are several months yet to be filled.

**AA MEETINGS** are held in the church meeting room by the breezeway on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

**SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE** – Dial 988 if you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available. Call or text 988 or chat 988lifeline.org. The Lifeline provides 24/7, confidential and free emotional support for people in suicidal crisis or mental health-related distress.

**THE NATIONAL FRIENDSHIP LINE:** A phone number for seniors (60 years of age and older) who can call if they would like social interaction or to ask health questions. Trained volunteers are available. The Friendship Line is FREE and is sponsored by the Institute of Aging (IOA). Call 1-800-971-0016.

**1940’s RADIO HOUR:** Presented by the Sun City Players Community Theater from March 14 – 23 at Mountain View Center. You’ll witness the talent of some from our own church as you are transformed back to the nostalgic 1940s. For more information, pick up a flyer from the welcome table.