

Welcome to  
Woodridge Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ

An Open & Affirming Congregation and  
A Caring & Welcoming Community

Worship at 10:00 AM

February 15, 2026

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As a caring and welcoming community, using the Bible as a resource and the teachings of Jesus as our guide, we joyfully welcome everyone into our Christian community, regardless of race, ethnicity, class, age, mental status, family structure, physical or mental ability, religious background or theological perspective, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. As Christian disciples, we invite all to share in the life, leadership, ministry, worship, sacraments, blessings and joys of our congregation.

\* All who are able, please stand

Prelude

On Eagle's Wings, with Be Thou My Vision      Carol Tornquist  
Shyanne Slinko –piano

Gathering Music:      When Peace Like a River

Lyrics by Horatio G. Spafford  
tune by Philip P. Bliss (1876).  
Prime Time Chimers

Welcome & Church Life

Call to Worship

One: Climb the mountain of God.

All: **We will watch and wait.**

One: Wait for God's glory to shine like the sun.

All: **Wait for Christ to reveal the heart of God.**

One: Wait to gain courage for the terror of the night.

All: **Wait for the Spirit to dispel the darkness.**

One: Climb the mountain of God.

All: **We will watch for things worth waiting for.**

Opening Prayer (unison)

**Radiant God, we come to you on the mountaintop to experience your glory. You come to us in the valleys. We meet you in gladness in a place where heaven and earth collide. May our worship of you encourage us on the journey and make us aspire to reflect your kingdom in the world. Transform us and keep us near to you. Amen.**

Hymn:

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Pilgrim #43

Psalter:

Psalm 99

NCH pg. 687

## Passing of the Peace

## Children's Message

\*Sending Hymn: Go, My Children, with My Blessing (v. 1) NCH #82

Scripture: Matthew 17:1-9NRSVUE

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” <sup>8</sup> And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

## Sermon

Rev. Aidan Myers Kelley

Hymn: Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain (vss. 1,3, 5) NCH #183

## Pastoral Prayer — Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

## 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Anthem

Just a Little Talk with Jesus

Cleavant Derricks  
Shyanne Slinko - piano

## \*Doxology

Thank You, Lord

African American Melody



### Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Light of Light, even when our dreams grow dark, you bless us with your radiance and your love. Illumine the gifts we bring before you now, that the world may see your light in the shadows of our world. Illumine our very lives, that our souls may shine with Christ and bring his hope wherever we go. Amen.**

\*Hymn: Every Time I Feel the Spirit NCH #282

### Benediction

Benediction Response Amen (Spiritual) (2x) NCH #161

Postlude Our Father Who art in Heaven Albert Malotte  
Shyanne Slinko - organ

## Announcements

**Worshiping with children/youth or new to our church?** Welcome! Scan this QR code to find our Child and Family Information page to learn about things like worship resources, Sunday School/nursery, and where to find bathrooms/changing tables.



**Thank you for your ongoing support of the Cranston Interfaith Food Pantry.** During the cold winter months please consider donating hot soups especially in the months of February and March. There also continues to be a need for canned tuna and chicken, small containers of mayonnaise to add to make sandwiches would be wonderful. Cereals both hot and cold, peanut butter and Pancake mix that only requires water for mixing, maple syrup and boxed milk. Hot beverage items such as instant and regular coffee, tea, and hot cocoa. Woodridge Church has the second Saturday of each month to dispense the donated food at the Cranston Interfaith Food Pantry from 9:45am to noon. Please sign up to give 2 – 2 1/2 hours of your time to assist with getting this food sorted and packed so that families can benefit from all that is donated. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Thank You.

### **Eat Out & Raise Money for Woodridge Church** Dine for Donations for 2026.

Our first Dine Out at Chelo's was a very enjoyable gathering of familiar faces starting as early as 4:45 (not sure if anyone went for lunch) and going through the dinner hours. Many thanks to all who participated.

The following restaurants have designated one day as Woodridge Church day and will donate to Woodridge Church a percentage of the total checks paid by diners who give or show our flyer to their server that day.

#### **Save the date for the next Dine for Donations:**

**March 10** - Texas Roadhouse at 99 Garfield Ave Cranston

April 22 - The Big Cheese and Pub at 606 Reservoir Ave Cranston

**The Grief Support Group** Meets Thursday afternoons, 2:00 – 3:30 pm in the Conference Room of the church. Access is via the Jackson Road entrance. This gathering is for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. For more information, please contact the facilitator, Rev. Burton Bagby-Grose at [bbagbygrose@vnacarenewengland.org](mailto:bbagbygrose@vnacarenewengland.org)

**Quilty pleasures Quilt Guild** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month 6-9pm. Cost is \$5.00 to attend applied to annual dues. All experiences WELOCOME, New or Advanced. Additionally, crochet and knitting have been added to the class. For questions contact: [RPloettner@gmail.com](mailto:RPloettner@gmail.com)

**Looking to fill a spot** on Usher Team D if you are interested in being an usher please see team captain Nancy Quintiliani.

**Looking to fill a spot** on Steward's Team A. If you have interest in being a steward please see Rick Therrien.

## **Worship Ministers for Today's Service**

Liturgist: Carmen Steinbrecher

Ushers: Grant Southard, Rebecca Rotondo, Robert Cole, Marianna Sarty

Stewards: Grant Southard, Ellen Hunt, Bob Cole

Coffee, Juice, and snacks in Fellowship Hall following Worship are provided by the Christian Education Team

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given by family and friends of  
*Bob Ryan*  
in celebration of  
his life well lived and treasured

## **Our Staff:**

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