



Fall 2016 Catalog

HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE TIMES

Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
Thursday at 12:00 p.m.
Saturday at 5:30 p.m.
Sunday at 9:00* & 11:15* a.m.

*childcare provided

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ICON KEY



Denotes:
- iParent activity for families w/children living at home
- Parenting track of classes
- An event especially for kids



Concert Series or choral worship event such as Transfigured Nights, Art Music Monday, or Evensongs



Childcare provided



Incense used

Celebrating

60 YEARS



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Solemn Edensong

FOR HOLY CROSS DAY



**JOIN US FOR A 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016
5:00 P.M. IN THE CHURCH
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN ROPER HALL**

September

- 4 Ice Cream Social featuring representatives from recipient organizations of Outreach Grants
- 5 Labor Day Holiday - Office Closed
- 8 St. Elizabeth's Guild Dinner | 6:30 p.m.
- 10 iParent Kick Off | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. | PES Playground 
- 11 Formation for all ages begins | 10:15 a.m.
Daughters of the King Induction | 11:15 a.m. Service
- 18 Transfiguration 60th Anniversary Celebration
Solemn Evenson for Holy Cross Day | 5:00 p.m.   
- 22 Episcopal Men's Fellowship Dinner | 6:30 p.m.
Presenter: Fr. Casey
- 25 Parish Episcopal School Sunday | 9:00 a.m. Service
- 29 World Vision Experience Begins | 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- 30 World Vision Experience | 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.

JOIN US IN THE MARGINS

STEP INTO SOME OF THE WORLD'S HARDEST PLACES



Reserve your **FREE** front-of-the-line pass to this award-winning 20-minute experience at worldvisionexperience.org.

» **DATE:** September 29 - October 2, 2016

» **LOCATION:** Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, 14115 Hillcrest Rd



A WORLD VISION EXPERIENCE

For more information, visit worldvisionexperience.org.

****Due to sensitive content, parental discretion is advised.****

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice.

October

- 1 World Vision Experience | 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- 2 Many Members One Body Stewardship Campaign Begins
World Vision Experience Ends | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
First Informed Communion Retreat | 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. 
- 8 Blessing of the Animals | 5:00 p.m. | Church Lawn 
- 9 First Informed Communion at 9:00 a.m.
Reception following
- 10 Columbus Day - Office Closed
- 13 Women's Forum Luncheon | 11:30 a.m. | Roper Hall
St. Elizabeth's Guild Dinner | 6:30 p.m. | Roper Hall
- 21 - 22 Youth Garage Sale | Roper Hall
- 23 Stewardship Breakfast sponsored by DoK | 9:00 a.m.
Stewardship In-gathering | 10:00 a.m. 
Parish-wide service projects | 11:30 a.m. 
Transfigured Nights Organ Recital | 7:00 p.m.  
- 27 Episcopal Men's Fellowship Dinner | 6:30 p.m.
- 30 Fig Fest with Trunk or Treat | 5:00 p.m. 

November 18-19, 2016

EVANGELISM MATTERS

EPISCOPAL EVANGELISM CONFERENCE | DALLAS, TEXAS

Keynote address by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
Church of the Transfiguration, Dallas, Texas

An innovative gathering, Evangelism Matters is for those seeking a place to share, learn, and grow the Church's capacity and passion for evangelism.

Rising at a critical moment in the life of The Episcopal Church and as a part of the Jesus Movement, this conference will engage participants through inspiring presentations, valuable workshops and resources, and shared experiences in a community setting. Hosted by the Diocese of Dallas and Church of the Transfiguration, Dallas, Texas. Co-sponsored by **Forward Movement** and the **Presiding Bishop's Office**, this two-day conference will equip and empower evangelists for the journey ahead—communicating the Good News of Jesus in the Episcopal tradition.

This conference is limited to 400 participants. Register early to ensure your space.

COST

(Excludes lodging, see below for hotel information)

CONFERENCE FEE: \$100 (\$125 after August 31)

SEMINARIANS & CHURCH PLANTERS CONFERENCE FEE: \$75

LODGING

Several hotels near the Church of the Transfiguration have block rates for participants. These rates expire anywhere from early September to early November, depending on the hotel, so please book your accommodations early to ensure the discounted rate.

REGISTRATION

Learn more and register at ForwardMovement.org/events



Spanish information and registration coming soon / Próximamente toda la información de inscripción estará disponible en español.

November

- 2 All Souls' Requiem | 7:00 p.m.   
- 5 Episcopal Diocese of Dallas Convention
- 6 All Saints' Sunday
Baptisms at 11:15 a.m. Service 
- 10 Women's Forum Luncheon | 11:30 a.m. | Roper Hall
St. Elizabeth's Guild Dinner | 6:30 p.m. | Roper Hall
- 13 Newcomer Brunch | 12:30 p.m. | Roper Hall
- 18-19 Evangelism Matters Conference 
- 20 Advent Festival and Gift Market  
iParent Thanksgiving Pie-making 
for Austin Street Center | 3:00 p.m. | Roper Kitchen
- 23 Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Service | 7:00 p.m. 
(hosted at Transfiguration)
- 24-25 Thanksgiving Holiday - Office Closed

2016 Advent Lecture

Danielle Shroyer

Presence Amid the Presents



Thursday, December 15
7:00 p.m. Roper Hall

This lecture is made possible by the St. Catherine's Fund at Transfiguration.

December

- 3 Outreach Day (sponsored by Youth) | 9:00 a.m. 
- 4 Advent Lessons & Carols | 5:00 p.m.  
- 8 St. Elizabeth's Guild Dinner | 6:30 p.m. | Roper Hall
- 10 Advent Retreat | 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- 15 Advent Guest Lecture: Danielle Shroyer | 7:00 p.m. 
- 18 Taize service | 6:00 p.m. | Gathering Space 
- 24 Christmas Eve Services
3:00 p.m.   | 5:00 p.m.  
8:00 p.m.   | 10:30 p.m. 
- 26 Church Offices Closed

Adult Formation

Sunday Mornings - Christian Formation begins at 10:15 a.m.

WHO WE WERE: THE HISTORY OF TRANSFIGURATION

SEPTEMBER 11, 18, 25



Tracing Our Roots: The Life and Adventures of the First Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of Dallas (1874-1924)

Pat Shaughnessy | September 11 | Roper Hall

Alexander Charles Garrett, born in Ballymote, Ireland and was from four generations of Church of England clergymen. He was ordained to the priesthood in England and shortly after traveled halfway around the world to serve as a missionary in Vancouver, British Columbia. He and his family had adventures galore and he ended up, at age 42, in the wild west town of Dallas, Texas. There he spent the next 50 years of his life as one of the city's most distinguished and remarkable citizens building churches, schools, orphanages and hospitals. Join Pat Shaughnessy as we hear this captivating story about the history of our diocese.



Seeking and Serving Christ in All Persons: A History of Inclusion

Fr. Terry Roper | September 18 | The Church

A lot has happened in 60 years in the life of Transfiguration! While we may enjoy putting on our historian hat and researching the Transfiguration story, our primary concern must be the question of where Transfiguration is going. Of equal concern must be the part that each of us play in the progress of Transfiguration. As a goodly part of knowing where we are going comes from knowing where we have been and what happened along the way, join Fr. Terry Roper, Rector Emeritus, as he shares stories of the events that have led us to the church we have today.



Our Melody We Raise: The History of Transfiguration's Music Program

Joel Martinson | September 25 | Roper Hall

A gift to the identity of Transfiguration is its magnificent music program, which includes multiple choral music programs as well as a handbell choir and concerts. Join Joel Martinson, Director of Music and Organist, as we hear the stories from our church's history that have resulted in the wide range of beautiful music we enjoy today, including the story of our stunning Richards, Fowkes & Co. pipe organ!

WHO WE ARE: BEING A CHRISTIAN

OCTOBER 2, 9, 16

Life Together by Dietrich Bonhoeffer



Fr. Casey Shobe | Vestry Room

In the mid-1930s, German-Lutheran Pastor and leader of the Christian resistance to Nazism Dietrich Bonhoeffer created a small seminary at Finkenwalde. Far more than simply teaching theology or pastoral skills, Bonhoeffer wanted to create an environment in which the faith and devotion of the men would be nurtured and formed. The community only lasted two years before being shut down by the Reich, but Bonhoeffer shared the wisdom gleaned from Finkenwalde in a short book titled *Life Together*. *Life Together* has become the cornerstone of the modern “new-monastic” movement, and was one of the central texts of Fr. Casey’s doctoral project. In this three-week class, we’ll reflect on Bonhoeffer’s witness and wisdom to grow closer to God today.

Spiritual Practices for the Family



Mtr. Erin Jean Warde | Parlor



In this class we will think about the family as a Christian community—however a family might take form. The Episcopal tradition offers many practices that can guide us in our growth as a spiritual community, such as praying the daily office, creating a rule of life, or instituting a daily practice of being present to one another over embracing the pressure to be busy. What are small intentional ways that families can grow spiritually every day? Join Mother Erin Jean Warde as we explore spiritual practices for families as a way to try to give order and peace to both children and adults when the world around us might feel disordered and full of unrest.

Old Testament 101 (note: this class continues through Advent)

Dr. Roy Heller | Roper Hall



Join Dr. Roy Heller, Associate Professor of Old Testament at SMU, as he continues to journey through the Hebrew Bible. This is an opportunity to read the stories of the Old Testament with each other, focusing on their literary beauty, their rich meanings, and the ways in which they are relevant for our own lives. This fall we are exploring the stories of Exodus.

WHO WE COULD BE: RECLAIMING EVANGELISM

OCTOBER 30, NOVEMBER 6, 13

What is Evangelism?

Three Weeks with Four Speakers | Vestry Room



Reclaiming the Word “Evangelism” | Mtr. Erin Jean Warde | October 30

There is a palpable feeling of discomfort around the word “evangelism” and the fact that all Christians are called to be evangelists. Where does this visceral reaction come from? Many can easily share stories of Christians doing the work of “evangelism” in a way that was hurtful, or in a way that pushed them away from the Church. In light of those stories, how do we continue to follow the baptismal covenant’s commandment that we be evangelists who proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? How do we show God’s love to a hurting world and recognize that work as evangelism? Join Mother Erin Jean Warde as we talk about what it means to be evangelists in the Episcopal tradition.



Elevator Evangelism | Father Casey Shobe | November 6

In the corporate world, an “elevator speech” is a quick pitch, presenting a big idea in just a few moments (like you might to a CEO if you happen to be riding in the elevator with her). You only have a short opportunity to boil down something huge into a few sentences. Entrepreneurs hone their elevator speeches, knowing that they have to make it count when/if they ever get a shot to make a big impression. There are lessons here for the Church, and for our efforts as evangelists. Like entrepreneurs for Christ, we should work on our elevator speeches, boiling down our experiences as followers of Jesus into something we could comfortably share with others in a brief exchange. In this session, Fr. Casey will talk about how we can become better proclaimers of the Gospel in word as much as deed.



Evangelism at Transfiguration | Bill Edwards & Anne Schmidt | November 13

Join Anne Schmidt and Bill Edwards as they introduce some of the current thinking and practice of evangelism in The Episcopal Church as learned at Mary Parmer’s Invite-Welcome-Connect conference. From Starbucks to Twitter they will give examples of how different congregations are helping launch the Jesus Movement in their own setting and how Transfiguration plans on incorporating these ideas into our own strategy of spreading the Good News in a meaningful and non-threatening way.

Module 3 classes continued on next page

Old Testament 101

Dr. Roy Heller | Roper Hall

See description on page 13

Fostering Evangelism in This Generation



Mtr. Alina Williams | Parlor

With the advent of social media, smart phones/tablets, and having a constant internet connection, how can the Church compete for the attention of a new generation of seekers? Mtr. Alina Williams, Upper School Chaplain at Parish Episcopal School, invites you to join the discussion on how technology has changed the face of evangelism to young people today.

TEACHINGS ON ADVENT

NOVEMBER 27, DECEMBER 4, 11, 18

The Theology of Mary

Mtr. Erin Jean Warde | Vestry Room



The figure of Mary in the gospels, as well as how her life has been interpreted over time, is extremely complex. She is a figure of obedience, strength, parenting, grief, and much more. In Advent, we walk with Mary throughout her pregnancy, and we wonder with Mary about what will await her when Christ enters the world, born from her womb. Join Mother Erin Jean Warde for an exploration of the many different beliefs about Mary, and how Mary's life can inspire us in our own faithful journey.

Advent Conspiracy for Families



Fr. Casey | Parlor

Several years ago, a group of pastors launched a movement to reclaim the holiness and significance of Christmas. Today, Advent Conspiracy focuses on resisting the culture of consumption that dominates our society beginning around Halloween, and inspiring practices that draw us closer to the one whose birth we celebrate. In this four-week series, Fr. Casey will lead a conversation about how families with children can spend less, give more, worship fully, and love deeply.

Old Testament 101

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Weekday Formation

Companions in Christ

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays | 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Vestry Room

The Companions in Christ series guides groups through a spiritual formation experience. Participants follow the same pattern for each book chapter—a reading and five exercises followed by a two-hour group meeting. During the meeting, participants share their insights from the exercises, and then engage in a deeper exploration together. Books in the series include Embracing the Spiritual Journey, Feeding on the Word, Deepening our Prayer, and Responding to our Call. This group is led by Dr. Nancy Jagmin, Spiritual Director.

Mom's Book Study and Fellowship Hour

Meets Wednesdays | 10:00-11:30 a.m. | Parlor 

The Mom's Book Study and Fellowship meets every week to catch up and discuss a different book about every five weeks. Books for study are selected by the group. All moms are invited, whether you've gotten your reading done or not! It is a come and go, relaxed atmosphere. The Mom's Book Study also has a ministry of creating baskets of goodies for families with newborn children in the parish. This is a community that supports one another in the joys and challenges of the Christian life. Coffee, snacks and childcare are provided.

Nurturing Faith Through Fiction

Meets monthly on Tuesdays (Sep. 6, Oct 4, Nov. 8, Dec. 6) | 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

This group, organized by Ron Damholt, meets monthly to explore and to be engaged by fine works of fiction, either a novel read preceding the meeting or a film they screen together. In their discussions they consider questions such as the moral qualities of the characters, the presence and leading of God in the work, the author's exploration of good and evil, of justice and injustice. And they are regularly being challenged by the movie or by the text to more obedient, faithful living. Join them!

The Way

Meets weekly on Tuesdays through fall | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | Youth Center

Modeled after the centuries-old process of preparing adults for baptism called the *catecheumenate*, The Way is more than just an inquirers' class; it's a one-on-one way of exploring your faith with other people, all of whom are at different places on their walks with Christ. It's more about faith formation than newcomer orientation; it focuses on incorporation rather than indoctrination and discipleship rather than just membership. This group meets every Tuesday, September 13 - February 14 in the Youth Center, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. and is lead by Fr. Michael Merriman.

Women's Tuesday Bible Study

Meets weekly on Tuesdays | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. | Vestry Room

This group, facilitated by Deacon Liz O'Donnell is open to all women of the church. This fall, they will read three books: Psalms – Prayers of the Heart by Eugene Peterson from September 6 – October 11, For Everything a Season, by Joan Chittister from October 18 – November 15, and The Birth of Jesus According to the Gospels by Joseph F. Kelly from November 29 – December 20.

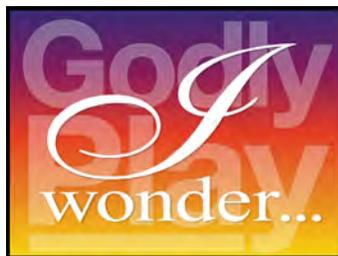
Children's Ministries

FORMATION

Transfiguration has two options for children's faith formation starting with preschool (ages 4 & 5) through 5th grade. The age cut-off is the same as Texas public schools: September 1 or grade your child will be entering the 2016 school year. Register by September to ensure your spot!



Wee Wonder | Offered in our nursery for 2 & 3 year olds
Wee Wonder introduces young children to God through song, action rhymes, Bible stories and responsive play. Please note, registration is not required for this option. It is for children in nursery care during the formation hour.



Godly Play | Offered for 4 year olds – 5th grade
Montessori Style Classroom
Godly Play is a Montessori based curriculum written by The Rev. Jerome Berryman. Godly Play follows the pattern of Christian worship and our church seasonal calendar. Godly Play teaches children religious language through sacred stories, parables and liturgical action, as well as enhances their spiritual experience through wonder and responsive play.



Living the Good News | Offered for 4 year olds – 3rd grade
Traditional Style Classroom
Living the Good News is a lectionary-based Christian education curriculum. This education program focuses on the same cycle of weekly readings used in our Sunday services. Living the Good News uses a variety of learning media, including music, art, language and movement, which appeal to the learning styles of all ages and types of students.



Connect | Offered for our 4th & 5th Graders
Traditional Style Classroom
Connect is a Bible-centered curriculum, with just enough humor to get our fourth and fifth graders hooked. Using videos, hands-on activities, and Bible exploration, Connect helps our students uncover major Biblical themes and discover how the Bible relates to their own lives.

First Informed Communion



The First Informed Communion Retreat will be October 2, 2016 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. We seek to help children connect more deeply with the act of sharing in the Eucharist. At our First Informed Communion Retreat, we tell the story of the Last Supper to help the children connect our sacred meal with Jesus. Clergy teach about the service, Altar Guild members guide children around the Sacristy, and volunteers help children create their own communion chalices. Participating children then celebrate their "first informed communion" at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist on October 9, with a reception following in the Memorial Garden.

Childcare



Professionally staffed childcare is provided for ages 6 weeks through 3 years at the Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. Children under the age of three may remain in childcare during the education hour, if parents remain on campus. A staff of paid employees offers children and their parents the consistency and love they deserve. They quickly learn about each child and can care for them in the way they respond to best while their parents are in worship, class or meetings. Most importantly, children learn at an early age that church is a wonderful place where they can see their friends (old and young) and learn that God loves them.

Children's Chapel 4 years old through Second Grade

A separate service offered during the 9:00 a.m. service only during summer months and starting September 11th at both the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday services. Children's Chapel is designed for those too old for nursery care, but too young to fully appreciate the full service in the Nave. Children accompany their parents to the Nave for the beginning of the worship service, then follow the cross and priest to Children's Chapel during the Song of Praise. If your child would like to be a part of the procession, drop them off with the Children's Chapel Coordinator on the Labyrinth before the service. Our Children's Chapel service reflects the service in the Nave. Children gather to hear the Gospel, sing, say the Creed and share Prayers of the People. They are escorted back to their parents during the Peace.

Childcare Volunteers

Until our open positions in childcare are filled we are in need of childcare volunteers for the 4 & 5 year old room on Sundays from 8:30 to 12:00 noon starting September 18th. See Doris Philips in the childcare wing to sign up or contact Cindy Hauser at chauser@transfiguration.net.

iParent



2016

Kick Off

September 10 | 5:00 p.m. | PES Playground

Pie-Making for Austin Street Center

November 20 | 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Roper Hall ☺

2017

Chili & Family Game Night

January 21 | 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Roper Hall ☺

Parents' Night Out

February 18 ☺

Mom's Night Out

March 2017 ☺

Spring Fling Dance

April 22 | 5:30 p.m.

Mass on the Grass

May 7 | 5:30 p.m.

The mission of the iParent ministry is to connect a community of parents of children living at home as we model seeking and serving Christ for our kids in today's information age, through worship, education, evangelism, outreach, pastoral care and fellowship.



Youth Ministries

Christian Formation on Sundays

On Sundays the youth gather to work with each other in figuring out how to engage our faith - a process we call Christian Formation. During this hour, they learn how to engage and investigate scripture, how to talk openly about our faith in the world, and how to ask the hard questions that come with being a Christian. They meet in the Youth Center at 10:15 on Sundays, and have classes for Jr. High (6th - 8th) and Sr. High (9th - 12th). To sign up for Youth Ministries classes, all you have to do is show up! Come on the first day of class (September 11) or Crossover (September 14) to fill out some paperwork and get registered in our database.

Crossover

Crossover is a time to set aside the stresses of the week, come together in fellowship, and take a small retreat from the world. Each week, the youth check in with each other, break bread together, and sit down for some conversation about what is going on in the world and how to respond to it as a Christian. Jr. High (6th - 8th) meets from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., and Sr. High (9th - 12th) meets from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday in the Youth Center.

Pilgrimage Prep

Every other year, a small group of youth embark on a pilgrimage to Scotland. Embarking on a pilgrimage is no small feat, and takes preparation. The pilgrims for the 2017 pilgrimage will meet once each month to discuss how to engage in the act of pilgrimage, learn the finer points of international travel, and touch base around fundraising efforts. We strive to seek & serve Christ in all persons, but it takes work to know how to do that. Over eleven months, our pilgrims will learn how to first seek Christ in themselves so that, on their return from Scotland, they are prepared to offer Christ to the world through the lifelong act of pilgrimage.

Mailing List

Additionally, you should sign up for our mailing list. A weekly e-mail is the primary avenue for communications in the Youth Ministries, so that's where you will find our most up to date info, as well as links to the calendar, social media pages, and sign ups for Crossover meals.

Questions? Contact Colin Hills, Director of Youth Ministries at chills@transfiguration.net

Music Ministries

Transfiguration Choir

[Wednesday Rehearsals | 7:15-9:15 p.m. | Performance Hall](#)

This choir of adults of all ages provides music for the two principal Sunday services, as well as for Holy Day liturgies. It is a regular participant of our Transfigured Nights Series, singing Choral Evensong services as well as special services and concerts in the course of the year. The choir normally divides into two to sing at either the 9:00 or 11:15 a.m. service on Sunday. Because of the challenging repertoire we undertake, it is very important, in addition to having a good voice for choral singing, to be able to read music and have previous musical experience. An informal audition is required in order to place choristers in sections and to give advice for work on individual vocal issues. Joel Martinson is the director of this choir.

Bella Musica Handbell Choir

[Tuesday Rehearsals | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Music Room](#)

Transfiguration's handbell choir is open to both adults and youth of the parish who read music and enjoy being part of a musical ensemble. This choir plays approximately every four to six weeks during the school year and also participates in special services, festivals or concerts during the course of each season. Full-time and substitute ringers are welcome. If you read music and have an interest, please let us know. Joel Martinson directs this ensemble.

Holy Family Choir

[Sunday Rehearsals | 9:00 a.m. to Offertory | Music Room](#)

Children in 1st through 3rd grade are invited to leave with the Children's Chapel procession each week and receive music formation in the Music Room before returning to the church at the Offertory. This group sings approximately once a month at the 9:00 a.m. service, as well as at the 3:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service. The choir also leads the music at the family services on Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Easter. Kim Ahrens directs this choir.

Canticle Choir

[Sunday Rehearsals | 11:10 a.m. to noon | Music Room](#)

The Canticle Choir is composed of students in the 4th through 7th grades. They rehearse Sunday mornings from 11:10 a.m. to noon in the Music Room of the Church Life Center South. This choir sings approximately once a month at the 9:00 a.m. service, as well as at the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service, Epiphany, Good Friday family service and other occasions. Kim Ahrens directs this choir.

Youth Choir

[Sunday Rehearsals | 11:10 a.m. to noon | Performance Hall](#)

This choir is for teens in grades 8 through 12 who enjoy singing and leading in worship. They sing one to two times per month, normally at the 9:00 a.m. service, as well as at the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service, Epiphany and other occasions. We also welcome youth instrumentalists in the choir. Chris Ahrens is the director of the Youth Choir and is assisted by Kim Ahrens.

Transfigured Nights [\(schedule on page 22\)](#)

Transfigured Nights continues in the Anglican tradition of enriching the lives of the people of God through art and music, whether in the liturgical rites of the church, in concerts, or other programs. Striving to create and host unique programs of quality featuring the finest sacred and secular music, they utilize the talents of parish musicians and local artists, as well as present concerts by national and international performers. The series offers musical experiences to Transfiguration parishioners and serves as an outreach to those in the community.

Transfigured Nights

*With the exception of Back from Bristol,
we offer the following events to the public free of admission charge.*

Childcare is provided for all Transfigured Nights programs (printed in blue).

2016

September

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| 12 | Monday, 7:30 p.m. | Art Music Monday | Performance Hall |
| 18 | Sunday, 5:00 p.m. | 60th Anniversary Celebration | Church |

October

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| 23 | Sunday, 7:00 p.m. | Concert – Jonathan Ryan | Church |
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November

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| 2 | Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. | Solemn Requiem for All Souls' | Church |
| 7 | Monday, 7:30 p.m. | Art Music Monday | Performance Hall |

December

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| 4 | Sunday, 5:00 p.m. | Advent Lessons & Carols | Church |
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2017

January

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| 29 | Sunday, 5:00 p.m. | Hymn Festival | Church |
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February

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| 13 | Monday, 7:30 p.m. | Art Music Monday | Performance Hall |
| 19 | Sunday, 7:00 p.m. | Concert – Texas Camerata | Church |

March

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| 26 | Sunday, 5:00 p.m. | Evensong for Lent | Church |
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April

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| 3 | Monday, 7:30 p.m. | Art Music Monday | Performance Hall |
| 29 | Saturday, 7:00 p.m. | Back from Bristol! | Roper Hall |

May

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| 15 | Monday, 7:30 p.m. | Art Music Monday | Performance Hall |
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June

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| 11 | Sunday, 5:00 p.m. | Evensong for Trinity Sunday | Church |
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Fellowship

Join a group! For more information on how to get connected at Transfiguration, email Ellen Dingwall, Minister of Congregational Life and Fellowship at edingwall@transfiguration.net

Episcopal Peace Fellowship

Meets Monthly on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. – Leader: Ron Damholt (rdamholt@att.net)

The mission of the North Dallas chapter of EPF is to focus on the work of peace and justice which is an intimate part of Christian faithfulness. We engage in both raising consciousness among and educating Christians both within and beyond Church of the Transfiguration, equipping people for the work to which we're called and supporting those engaged in that work.

Episcopal Men's Fellowship (EMF)

Meets monthly on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. (see calendar for schedule)

The EMF actively pursues Christian fellowship and service to the parish and community through monthly meetings, outings and community projects. They meet monthly for dinner and listen to a guest speaker. In addition, they also attend sporting events throughout the year. Membership is informal, and open to all adult men of the parish, 18 years and older.

Foyer Groups

Kick Off Each August | Contact Sheila Runnels to join a group at sheila.s.runnels@gmail.com

Foyer Groups offer a delightful way to meet others, or to renew friendships in a relaxed, fun and informal way. The groups are made up of 8-10 adults (married and single) who meet for conversation and dining together. Everyone takes a turn as "host" and decides on menu and format for their month. Usually it's dinner at home, but could be at a restaurant, or even a picnic in the park. Being creative is part of the fun. Groups are shuffled and reformed every six months.

Gay & Lesbian Fellowship

Meets as scheduled | Email glfatthefig@gmail.com to get on their list

Seeking and serving Christ in all persons by embracing the GLBT community and their family and friends through opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship and service.

iParent - see page 19 for schedule

The mission of the iParent ministry is to help connect a community of parents of toddler-elementary age children as we model seeking and serving Christ for our kids in today's information age through, worship, education, evangelism, outreach, pastoral care and fellowship. Contact Deb Boopsingh (chris.debra@gmail.com) or Wendy Cone (wendycone@gmail.com) to learn more.

St. Elizabeth's Guild

Meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday | 6:30 p.m. | Roper Hall

The mission of St. Elizabeth's Guild is to nurture and strengthen our parish community by bringing people together for fellowship in an atmosphere that supports Transfiguration's mission of "Seeking and Serving Christ in All Persons." They accomplish this by holding monthly dinners for Guild members, new parish members and guests to share a meal, get to know each other and develop friendships.

Women's Evening Book Group

Meets monthly on 1st Thursdays | 7:00 p.m. | Parlor

If you are a reader who likes to discuss amazing books, then this is a monthly group you don't want to miss! This group read a wide selection of books chosen by the members. All women are welcome. This fall they will read: September 1 [The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out a Window and Disappeared](#) by Jonas Jonasson; October 6 [The Outermost House](#) by Henry Beston; November 3 [Caleb's Crossing](#) by Geraldine Brooks; December 1 [Dear Committee Members](#) by Julie Schumacher. See the whole booklist online at <http://www.transfiguration.net/education/adult-formation>.

Women's Forum

This group meets four times annually for luncheon and lecture programs. This fall, they will meet on October 13 for a program "One Church One School" by Annette Randall, and on November 10 for "A Walk Along Hadrian's Wall" with Diana and Michael Rawlins. Reservations are required for lunch (\$10) and can be secured by calling Pat Tarpley at 972-412-1370 by noon on Monday before the meeting.

Young Adult Ministry

Life is full of transitions, and many of those transitions seem to be packed around the same time. The Transfiguration Young Adult Ministry exists to provide the constancy of the church to people in their 20s and 30s in a personal context. We do things like Potluck Eucharist, outreach projects, and random lunches, all in the name of Christian community and fellowship. To learn more about the YA Ministry, contact Nathan Pearman at ndpearman@gmail.com.

Outreach

Interested in participating in service opportunities at Transfiguration? Contact Ellen Dingwall (edingwall@transfiguration.net), Minister for Congregational Life and Outreach, to see what opportunities match your availability and interests.

Food Pantry

Transfiguration's food pantry began in 2015 and is a Community Distribution Partner (CDP) of Crossroads Community Services and serves food-insecure families in north Dallas. As a CDP, Transfiguration buys food at a cost of 12 cents per pound and gives it to the hungry at no cost. Member families receive a week's worth of groceries each month. We currently serve 16 families and are always accepting applications for more. To learn more, contact Ellen Dingwall, Minister for Congregational Life and Outreach, at edingwall@transfiguration.net.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Austin Street Center

Since 1983, Austin Street Center has provided a free, safe overnight shelter for 350 – 400 homeless men and women each day. The Center provides food, clothing, medicines, education and pastoral care for residents. Transfiguration parishioners prepare and serve an evening meal for all residents once each month and provide and serve a complete Thanksgiving Dinner for residents each Thanksgiving Eve. The Parish also supports requests from the Center for special needs, such as clothing, food and personal care items throughout the year. Contact Ron Kerker to learn how you can get involved: rkerker1@yahoo.com

CASA - Court Appointed Special Advocates

CASA volunteers are appointed by judges to watch over and advocate for abused and neglected children, to make sure they don't get lost in the overburdened legal and social service system or languish in inappropriate group or foster homes. Volunteers stay with each case until it is closed and the child is placed in a safe, permanent home. For many abused children, their CASA volunteer will be the one constant adult presence in their lives. Learn more, and sign up at www.dallascasa.org/.

Episcopal Peace Fellowship

The North Dallas Chapter of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship meets at Transfiguration once a month. The EPF's national mission is to pray, to study/educate and act on behalf of peace and justice. During this year the local EPF is focused on working together to end capital punishment in Texas. Contact Ron Damholt to learn more: rdamholt@att.net

Gateway of Grace

Gateway of Grace helps refugees start over in Dallas/Fort Worth Area. Many of the refugees are survivors of severe trauma. They offer opportunities to directly support refugee families as they are resettled in the metroplex. Transfiguration currently serves the needs of four refugees, as well as serving the broader work of Gateway through individual volunteering. Learn more at www.gatewayofgrace.org/join-us/.

The Gathering

Founded with the mission of creating a spiritual home for the homeless, The Gathering is a church whose purpose and reality is a ministry to, with and for the homeless community that is always amongst us but seldom seen by us, The Gathering provides weekly lunches, personal hygiene items and financial assistance to its participants. Our Men's Fellowship takes lunch to The Gathering quarterly, when our clergy also celebrate the Eucharist. Contact Ellen Dingwall to learn more.

Genesis Women's Shelter

The mission of Genesis Women's Shelter is to end the epidemic of domestic violence against women and children by stopping individual victimization and reducing the devastating impact of family violence through safety, shelter and expert services to battered women and their children. We support Genesis throughout the year with supply drives and volunteers. To learn more, visit www.genesisshelter.org.

North Dallas Shared Ministries

An inter-denominational food bank providing the needy temporary help with food, some cash, and ESL classes. Transfiguration collects food throughout the year and a number of parishioners volunteer monthly. Learn more by contacting Dorothy Baker at dorothy.baker.1@att.net.

Our Saviour Community Garden

This garden was started in 2003 by Our Saviour Episcopal Church as a project of the Gardeners in Community Development program (GICD). They function as a donation garden with a mission to "Plot Against Hunger." Our Saviour gives back to the community by helping food insecure families have a place to grow vegetables. Our Saviour plants seeds of hope and faith as they battle hunger. The youth group at Transfiguration regularly volunteers in the garden during their outreach days, and anyone is welcome to visit to help harvest, plant, and weed. Learn more at www.gardendallas.org.

Spring Valley Elementary School

The school is part of Richardson Independent School District. It is in our church neighborhood but serves many disadvantaged students. Parishioners volunteer in a variety of ways at the school. Children from the church participate in collection projects for students and, occasionally, we fund special requests.

St. Philip's School and Community Center

Located in South Dallas at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, exists to enhance the lives of children and families regardless of economic background, but with an emphasis on low and moderate income families, through educational excellence, Christian principles, and compatible community services. Transfiguration provides financial support and volunteers for activities. Two of our parishioners serve on the St. Philip's Board, and you're invited to learn more by talking with them: Bill Keslar (bill.keslar@gmail.com) and Susan Fisk (fisk4@aol.com).

Voice of Hope

Voice of Hope provides year round quality out-of-school time programs for youth ages 4 – 18 in West Dallas, through ASPIRE after school programs, Bible Clubs, Summer Day Camp and their Out of Boundz youth ministries. Voice of Hope also has Family and Community outreach services that provide families with food, a listening ear, encouragement and various assistance.

Youth First Texas

Youth First, a part of the Dallas Resource Center, provides a safe space for LGBTQ youth and their allied friends to strengthen opportunities for life skills, leadership development, peer support and educational advancement. Funds from Maundy Thursday Soup Supper are donated to the group.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNER Happy Homes Africa School

The school is Transfiguration's international outreach program in the northeast region of South Africa. The school serves 112 pre-school children ages 3 to 6 most of whom have been orphaned by AIDS. It is supported by donations from parishioners, students and staff of PES and the Africa Foundation. A pilgrimage to South Africa in June 2018 will include a visit to the Happy Homes School.

Sunday, September 4

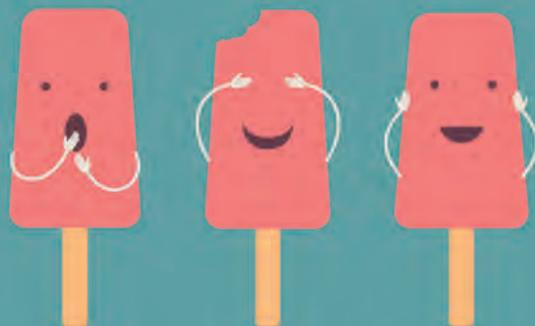
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Tower Cloister & Gathering Space

Meet our 2016 Outreach Grant Recipients



& Join us for an Ice Cream Social



Caring for Each Other

Part of our call to seek and serve Christ in all persons is to care for one another, offer prayers for the lives of people within the church, and bring communion to those unable to attend Eucharist throughout the week. If you have any questions or are in need of prayer, communion, or someone to talk to, please contact Deacon Liz O'Donnell at lodonnell@transfiguration.net.

Prayer Requests

You are invited to submit prayer requests to prayers@transfiguration.net. Members of the prayer chain make a commitment to daily prayer for concerns of the parish and our friends. Additionally, the church staff prays for the parish and its prayer concerns during weekly staff meetings.

Home Communion - Eucharistic Visitors

If you are homebound or in the hospital or are recovering from illness, Eucharistic Visitors are here to be a pastoral and sacramental presence to you. Each week, they take the consecrated bread and wine to parishioners directly from the service each Sunday.

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are members of the congregation who have received 50 hours of initial training, been commissioned, care regularly for an assigned care receiver who is experiencing a crisis or difficult life transition. Stephen Ministers participate faithfully in peer supervision and continuing education. Stephen Ministers meet with their care receivers about an hour a week, to listen, pray and help bear the burdens confidentially. Stephen Ministers are trained listeners. If you, or someone you know, is experiencing a life crisis or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Liz O'Donnell at lodonnell@transfiguration.net at 972-233-1898 ext. 222.

Grief Books, a part of Stephen Ministry

Journeying through Grief is a series of four booklets which are sent to people at four crucial times during the first year after the loss of a loved one. A Time to Grieve is sent within the first few weeks after the loss; Experiencing Grief sent 3 months after the loss; Finding Hope and Healing is sent 6 months after the loss and Rebuilding and Remembering at eleven months to a year. Each booklet offers understanding, comfort and hope to the bereaved.

Ride Share

Ride Share is fledgling ministry to provide rides to Sunday services for those who need one on occasion. This is not meant to be a ride service but to provide special help. This ministry depends on volunteers who offer to provide transportation to and from church for services.

Alcoholics Anonymous

An AA group meets Monday and Thursday nights at 8:00 p.m. in the Niles Building.

Health Screenings by the Parish Nurses

Registered nurses, health workers, and run health screenings the first weekend of every month (except holiday weekends when it moves to the second week). Before the Saturday 5:30 p.m. service, they screen for blood pressure at 5:00 p.m. From 8:30 – 11:00 a.m. on Sundays, they perform both glucose and blood pressure tests. Come see them in the Library!

Order of the Daughters of the King

The Mary and Martha Chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King was installed at Transfiguration in 2015 and currently has over 40 members who actively participate in the ministry of a Rule of Life that includes prayer, ministry, and evangelism. Members meet monthly to share their spiritual journeys through fellowship and prayer, and assist the clergy in retreats, advent and Lenten studies. A 12-week discernment class is necessary to determine whether God is calling a woman to this ministry, and members wear a distinctive cross daily to remind them of God's gift of love and service. Contact Sally Manning at etsal@sbcglobal.net.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at Transfiguration is a creative outreach ministry for women and men who are interested in either knitting or crocheting shawls to be given to parishioners, family, and friends who need an "extra" bit of God's love, care, and compassion because of illness, a hospital stay, or death. Members meet once a month in fellowship to create and prepare shawls, which are then prayed over and taken to those in need. In only two years, this ministry has given over 100 shawls locally and as far away as Seattle, Pennsylvania, and South Africa! All levels of expertise are welcome and encouraged. Over 25 men and women participate on a regular basis. It meets the third Monday evening of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Contact Sally Manning at etsal@sbcglobal.net.

St. Hilda's Guild

The Clothes Horse and The Kay Andrews Book Store are vital ministries of Transfiguration, both operated by the St. Hilda's Guild. Profits from the St. Hilda's Guild's operations primarily support women's and children's ministries of the parish as well as others, when funds are available.

New volunteers are always welcome. If you are able to give just a few hours one day a month then fun, fellowship and satisfaction in supporting a worthy cause can be yours for the asking. Contact Betsey Hardman (bitshardman@gmail.com), Recruiting Chairman.

The Clothes Horse

The Clothes Horse is a resale shop that has been in business since 1961. It provides the community with a place to donate gently worn clothing and offers budget-minded customers a source of reasonably priced, good quality apparel. Run by a group of approximately 80 volunteers, the Clothes Horse is located down the hill by the Youth Center and is open Tuesday – Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Clothing donations are accepted at any time the shop is open. No donation ever goes to waste. Items that remain unsold are channeled to a variety of charitable organizations such as the Austin Street Shelter, Collin County Children's Advocacy Center, Salvation Army, Kidney Foundation and Paralyzed Veterans, among others.

Kay Andrew's Bookstore

When you visit Transfiguration's Kay Andrew's Bookstore and Gift Shop you will find a wide selection of Christian books and gifts. Besides Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals we have a large assortment of liturgical books. We also have cook books, children's books and a variety of books appropriate for study, meditation and your general reading pleasure!

We carry religious note cards and CD's as well as wall crosses, Jim Shore angels and Willow Tree figures. During Advent and Christmas we have a wonderful selection of ornaments, Nativity sets and a large inventory of Christmas gifts and CD's.

You will find the perfect birthday or baptism gift for your friends and family members at the Kay Andrew's Bookstore and Gift Shop.

Visit us between 10 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sunday. We are located in the Church Life Center across from the Memorial Garden. Phone us at 972-233-1898, ext. 224.

Worship

WAYS TO SERVE

We are a community of faithful worshippers that values the liturgy, music, and traditions of the Episcopal Church and its Anglican heritage. There are many opportunities to serve in worship at Transfiguration.

Acolytes

Those who assist the clergy at the Lord's Table. Both adults and children ages 8-17 are invited to be trained for this ministry. Contact Bill Grona to learn more: whgrona@aol.com

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild is responsible for preparing for all liturgical services of the church. Contact Gabby Guion at gabriellewade@usa.com

Eucharistic Ministers

Persons licensed by the bishop to administer the chalice at parish Eucharists. Contact Liz O'Donnell to learn more at lodonnell@transfiguration.net.

Lectors

Adults and youth, who read the scripture lessons and Prayers of the People at Sunday Eucharist. Contact David Reece (davidreece@msn.com), Kathleen Taylor-Gadsby (ktaylorgadsby@gmail.com), or Dorothy Baker (dorothy.baker.1@att.net).

Ministers of Ceremony

Also known as Emcees, these are adults who assist the clergy at the Lord's Table during each service.

Sound Technicians

Adults who assist with the sound system and recording of the sermons for each service. Contact George Gilliam at georgegilliam@swbell.net

Ushers

Ushers have the unique assignment of assisting and serving all those in attendance at each service so that the liturgy may be celebrated without distraction or interruption. Members are organized into teams to serve the Sunday morning services. Contact Judy Drotman at judydrotman@gmail.com.

Welcoming Ministers

Members who greet all worshippers as they arrive at church. Contact edingwall@transfiguration.net.

Flower Guild

Members arrange flowers for weekly services as an offering to God. They also decorate for holidays, special events, weddings, and funerals. Contact David Diggs (jswain@sbcglobal.net) or Carolyn Lewis (clewis6040@att.net).



MacMaster

Library



Open Sundays

& anytime the church is open

My Fig Family

My Fig Family is Transfiguration's online database. Are you a member of the church and need to create a login? Below are step-by-step instructions to sign up. Once you are logged in, you can update your profile, connect with fellow parishioners who have similar interests, make online contributions, view your giving history and much more!

STEP 1

Create an online account (needs to be done for each family member that wants access)

- From the website home page, click on "Connect" menu, then click on My Fig Family Sign-up/Login
When the login screen appears...
- Click on the "Need a Login – Click Here"
You will need to provide an email address, your first and last name as they exist in our current database. If any of the information you provide does not match, you will not be able to create an account. Contact Christopher Thomas at cthomas@transfiguration.net to get correct information.
- If the information you entered is correct, you should get a "Congratulations..." message. You will then be sent an email to the email address you gave that will contain your User Name and Password.
- With this information, go back to the My Fig Family login screen. Enter the User Name and Password provided in the email.
- You will then be required to enter a new password twice. Remember this User Name and Password.
- You will now be taken to your Overview Page.

STEP 2

- Verify the information we have on file for you
To change any information, click on the pencil icon. Make your changes and submit. The changes will not actually take place at that moment. The church office will receive your request to change information. Once approved, it will appear in your record after the next data upload, usually done once each week on Thursday or Friday.
- Mark Your Personal Preferences
Choose the Home menu and click on "My Personal Preferences". Here, you can indicate what information is viewable by others.
- Have fun investigating the Group and Contribution information in your record
In the near future, we will be loading the church calendar events, volunteer opportunities and online contributions. At the end of the year, you will be able to print your own year-end tax record of contributions. So, revisit your page often for updated information.

Please feel free to contact either Christopher Thomas (cthomas@transfiguration.net) or Meghan Mazur (mmazur@transfiguration.net) should you need assistance getting set up.

Once you create an account, you may also download the app "ChurchLife" to access these features from your smartphone. This will give you the ease and benefit of having the full roster at your fingertips on your phone or tablet.

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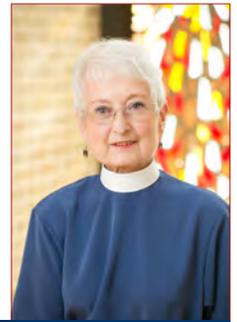
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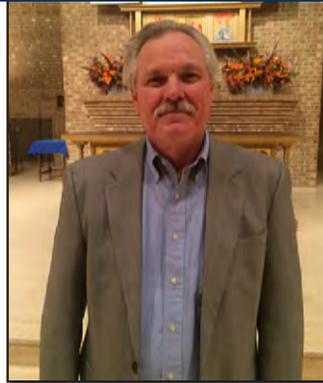
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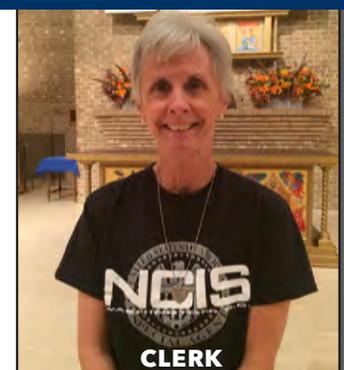
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