SATURDAY, JANUARY 5
Blood Pressure Screenings
Church Library
5:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist
Church
5:30 p.m.
Church of the Holy Faith
Church Lawn
6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6 | FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
Blood Pressure Screenings
Library
8:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist
Church
9:00 a.m.
Holy Family Choir
Music Room
9:05 a.m.
Church of the Holy Faith
Niles Building
10:00 a.m.
Churchwide Epiphany Breakfast
Roper Hall
10:15 a.m.
No formation classes
Canticle Choir Rehearsal
Music Room
11:10 a.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal
Performance Hall
11:10 a.m.
Holy Eucharist - incense
Church
11:15 a.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8
Tuesday Book Study
Parlor
1:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministers Meeting
Parlor
6:00 p.m.
Outreach Committee Meeting
Vestry Room
6:30 p.m.
The Way Class
Youth Center
6:30 p.m.
Bella Music Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Music Room
7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9
Holy Eucharist
Church
6:00 p.m.
Mission & Ministry Meeting
Library
6:00 p.m.
Youth Crossover
Youth Center
6:30 p.m.
Transfiguration Choir Rehearsal
Performance Hall
7:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10
Holy Eucharist
Church
12:00 p.m.
Daughters of the King Centering Prayer
Parlor
3:00 p.m.
St. Elizabeth’s Guild Potluck Supper
Roper Hall
6:30 p.m.
Capital Discernment Committee
Vestry Room
7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12
Altar Guild Prep
Church
9:00 a.m.
Flower Guild Prep
Staff Conf. Room
9:00 a.m.
Requiem Eucharist for Gloria Snyder
Church
1:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist
Church
5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13 | THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
Holy Eucharist
Church
9:00 a.m.
Holy Family Choir
Music Room
9:05 a.m.
Church of the Holy Faith
Niles Building
10:00 a.m.
Bishop Smith Q&A Session
Roper Hall
10:15 a.m.
Church of the Holy Faith
Niles Building
10:00 a.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSIONS DUE JANUARY 15
The deadline for submissions by ministry groups for the Annual Report is January 15, 2019. If you are a ministry leader report, please submit a brief report following the template available at www.transfiguration.net/publications. The Annual Report will be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, January 27, 2018 at 10:15 a.m. All materials should be sent to Rebecca Gingles, Director of Communications, at mmazur@transfiguration.net

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WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE TODAY.
Welcome!
Sunday, January 6, 2018
Roper Hall | 10:15 a.m.
With a special visit from Three Wise Men

ABOUT OUR READINGS TODAY
As we celebrate the Epiphany or Manifestation of our Lord today we find one of those places in the Gospel of Matthew where a passage from the Hebrew Scriptures helped inspire the gospel writer’s account. That passage is Psalm 72, which will be our Good Friday Psalm today with its mention of how “The kings of Tarsus and of the Isles shall pay tribute, and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.” Matthew also seems to recall other verses, as well. “For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, and the oppressed who keepeth his faith.” Isaiah 40.31 and 10.20.”

The light that has risen on us in God’s gift of his Son recalls the words of Isaiah for us to rise and shine, and the Letter to the Ephesians rejoices that God’s gift is to the Gentiles, that is, to all people, not just a select few.

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This infant King of the Jews, whom the Magi honored with their gifts, is contrasted to Herod and the rulers of this world. They seek to destroy those who would uphold justice for the poor and helpless, but God in Christ is the true King, the one who brings righteousness and peace. The infant in the manger is the king who reveals God to be the righteous justice for the poor and helpless, but God in Christ is the true King, the one who brings righteousness and peace. The infant in the manger is the king who reveals God to be the
Help us glorify God and adorn our altar in honor by making a gift to our Fund for Flowers. Each week the Flower Guild creates magnificent arrangements for our altar, font, and entrances, as well as for the rooms of our parishioners, and your support helps this ministry continue to thrive.

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Longtime member Gloria Snyder died on December 21. A Requiem Mass will be offered for her on Thursday, December 22, at 5:00 p.m. A reception will follow in the Parlor. Please note, this class will now begin January 20 due to Bishop Smith’s visit.

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

*Children are always welcome in worship at Transfiguration! Professionally staffed childcare is provided for ages six weeks through five years during Sunday morning services. Children age two through second grade are invited to Children’s Chapel during the first half of the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist. This service is designed to introduce children to the traditions of Episcopal worship. Children are invited to follow the wooden cross behind the main procession out the North Transept, and return to the church at the Peace.*

**PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER**

Clergy, staff, and other ministers in the parish provide ongoing pastoral care to a large number of parishioners every week. Through prayer, home and hospital visits, communion anointing, and spiritual direction, our clergy and other members of the clergy and lay staff provide pastoral care to one another and to people within our church, or in other churches, or in the wider community. Our clergy are available to individuals in times of need. They are dedicated to prayer and service, on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. for one hour in the Parlor. Centering prayer begins at 3:00 with lectio divina at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome, no one need be Christian, and no experience necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Witten at jack_sk@transfiguration.net.

**ST. ELIZABETH’S GUILD FLOTTCUC**

Please join the St. Elizabeth’s Guild for their monthly potluck supper on Thursday, October 11 in Roper Hall. Door opens at 6:30 and dinner begins at 7:00. Sign up to bring a dish to share for 8 to 12 people by emailing saintelizabethguild@gmail.com. St. Elizabeth’s is a way to meet other members of the Transfiguration in a relaxed atmosphere.

**COMING UP IN JANUARY**

**CELEBRATION & BLESSING OF MARRIAGE**

On Saturday, January 19, we will host a Celebration and Blessing of Marriage with Renewal of Vows for all our same-sex couples who were married away from our beloved church. We will have 15 same-sex couples who have a signed marriage license (that is, were previously married either in a civil or religious ceremony) will participate, and the whole church is invited to come celebrate with us! The formal occasion will be followed by a huge party in Roper Hall.

**IARENXT CHILI & GAME NIGHT**

January 26

Join the iParentX community for families with children living at home for one of their favorite annual events! Come eat some chili and spend the evening playing board with friends and family. Bring your favorite games to play, but be prepared to go home with a wish list as your kids find new favorites! Look for details in their Facebook group www.facebook.com/iParentXannualevents.

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

January 27

Transfiguration’s annual parish meeting will be Sunday, January 27 at 10:15 a.m. in the church. Join us for the presentation of the 2018 Annual Report, a Rector’s Report, and information for the upcoming budget year. Everyone is welcome that day. Children ages 5 and up will be provided with a quiet activity for children ages six weeks through five years.

**CIVIL RIGHTS PILGRIMAGE**

April 3-7

Fr. Casey will lead a pilgrimage from April 3-7 to the heart of the Civil Rights Movement in Alabama and Mississippi. Participants will visit Birmingham to see the Civil Rights Institutes and the Civil Rights District; Montgomery, to see the recently opened Memorial to Peace and Justice; Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, and tour the Civil Rights Museum; Selma, to walk historic Edmund Pettus Bridge and visit the National Voting Rights Museum; Hayneville, to see the site of Jonathan Daniels’ martyrdom; and Jackson, MS, to see Freedom Corner and the home of Medgar Evers. Per person costs will be between $500-700, including transportation, lodging, and admission fee. The underestimated cost is due to the possibility of receiving bus transportation, which will only be possible if we reach a certain minimum registration. Request more information by contacting Meghan Mazur at mmazur@transfiguration.net, or email Fr. Casey with questions.

**OBERAMMERGAU PILGRIMAGE**

August & September 2020

Transfiguration will head on pilgrimage to southern Germany in 2020 to see the famed Oberammergau Passion Play. Due to a high level of interest, there will be two separate trips, one in August and another in September. Participants will visit Bavarian sites such as Munich, Fussen, and Freising. They will also see the Oberammergau Passion Play, which is performed at a special Holy Week time for children ages six weeks through five years.

**EPISCOPAL PEACE FELLOWSHIP PEACE POST**

Next Sunday, January 13, Episcopal Peace Fellowship will gather to write our elected officials on issues of justice and peace. While we’ll suggest a few specific topics you might choose to address, we will also provide a broad correspondence about anything on which you’ve reflected as a follower of the Lord. We’ll provide paper, pens, and addresses (as well as snacks), and we hope you’ll join us!

**TRANSFIGURED NIGHTS ORGAN CONCERT**

7:00 PM

Every Tuesday night at 7:00 the Organ Recital Night presents organist Craig Cramer in his recital debut on the Jerry D. Godwin Organ, Richards, Fowkes & Co’s Opus 17. Dr. Cramer is Professor of Organ and Artist in Residence at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. One of the most traveled organists of his generation, Cramer maintains an active recital career across the country and Europe. His Transfiguration recital will include works by J. C. Bach, Buxtehude, Dandrieu, Fauchard, Martinson, and Zelenkrohns.

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