



EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE
Transfiguration

Welcome to Transfiguration!

Our mission is to seek and serve Christ in all persons, and we joyfully welcome all people into our life and fellowship. We are an inclusive community of disciples who love God and follow Jesus through reverent worship, compassionate service, formative education, and sacrificial stewardship.

Thank you for sharing our act of worship with us this weekend!



Ushers can guide you to the most convenient restrooms. A unisex restroom is available in the Gathering Space.



Our professionally staffed nursery is open for Saturday and Sunday services. An Usher can help direct you.



Hearing assistance devices are available. Ask an Usher if you would like one.



For more information on the life of Transfiguration and how to get involved, stop by the Visitors Center outside the doors to the church.

Sunday, November 24, 2019 | 9:00 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist

Rite II with Expansive Language

Last Sunday after Pentecost

Voluntary

O Worship the King arr. Michael Mazzatenta
Bella Musica Handbell Choir

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

Presider ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

Song of Praise *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!* The Hymnal 388
Stanzas 1, 2 & 5

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson *Be seated.*

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.

I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 46 *Deus noster refugium*

Tone 5A



Cantor

God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.

People

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown; *
God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are sháken; *

God has spoken, and the éarth shall mélt away.

The LORD of hosts is wíth us; *

the God of Jacob is' our stróngthold.

Come now and look upon the works of the LÓRD, *

what awesome things hé has dóne on earth.

It is he who makes war to cease in áll the world; *

he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,

and búrn's the shiélds with fire.

“Be still, then, and know that Í am God; *

I will be exalted among the nations;

I will be exálted ín the earth.”

The LORD of hosts is wíth us; *

the God of Jacob is' our stróngthold.

Second Lesson

Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand.

The Nicene Creed *Spoken*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally
begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from
true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through
him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down
from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and
became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in
accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at
the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead ☩, and the life of the world to
come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Each petition concludes,
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

The Presider prays a concluding collect:

Almighty God, under the Lordship of your Son, the whole creation
experiences true freedom and fulfillment; reveal to the world the gracious
reign of Christ, end all enmity among peoples and nations, and bring us
soon into the fullness of his peaceable kingdom; through that same Jesus
Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for
ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin *Please kneel.*

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by
what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved
you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus
Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Presider pronounces an absolution:

Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your sins through the
grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of
the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Offertory Sentence

The congregation is seated after the ushers present the oblations at the altar.

The Offertory

Anthem

My Eternal King
Transfiguration Choir
Text on Page 10

Jane Marshall

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

The Hymnal S 114
Healey Willan

In the midst of the prayer, the Presider says:
Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember Christ's death.
We proclaim Christ's resurrection.
We await Christ's coming in glory.

The Lord's Prayer *Sung*

The Hymnal S 119

The Breaking of the Bread *Silence is kept.*

Fraction Anthem

O Lamb of God
Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

The Hymnal S 158
Healey Willan

Communion of the People

All who are baptized by water and in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, regardless of denomination, are invited to receive Communion. Those who are not baptized, or who choose not to receive for any reason, are invited forward to the altar rail to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. To receive by intinction, continue holding the host out and the Eucharistic Minister will dip it into the chalice and place it on your tongue. Indicate your desire to receive a gluten-free host by holding out your hands together palms-down.

Voluntary

St. Anthony's Chorale
Bella Musica Handbell Choir

Joseph Haydn
arr. Catherine McMichael

Hymn

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

The Hymnal 495

Stand.

Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.

Blessing

May the Father,
who has given to the Son the name above every name,
strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord. **Amen.**

May the Son,
in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
pour out on you forgiveness and mercy. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit,
who moves with power over the whole earth,
make you faithful servants of Christ our King. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and
the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Processional Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Stanzas 1, 4 & 5

The Hymnal 494

Voluntary

Now Thank We All Our God
Op. 65, No. 59

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

My Eternal King

Jane Marshall

This anthem is sung in memory of the Dallas composer and long-time professor at SMU's Perkins School of Theology, who died May 29. This piece launched Jane's career as a composer in 1954, and is her most widely-sung anthem.

My God, I love thee; not because
I hope for heav'n thereby,
Nor yet because who love thee not
Must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me
Upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear,
And manifold disgrace;

Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ,
Should I not love thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heav'n,
Or of escaping hell;

Not with the hope of gaining aught,
Not seeking a reward;
But as thyself hast loved me,
O ever-loving Lord!

E'en so I love thee, and will love,
And in thy praise will sing;
Solely because thou art my God,
And my Eternal King.

–17th Century Latin
trans. Edward Caswall, 1814-1878

TODAY

ADVENT FESTIVAL

All are invited to Transfiguration's annual Advent Festival in Roper Hall today at 10:15 a.m. There will be no faith formation classes this morning so all may gather to stuff stockings, make wreaths and ornaments, and write Christmas cards to home-centered members.

YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH

The Young Adults Ministry, a fellowship of 20- and 30-somethings, will have its monthly brunch after the 11:15 a.m. Eucharist today. All young adults are invited to meet by the main church entrance at that time to depart to a group-chosen restaurant.

SALVATION ARMY & FIG PANTRY ANGEL ADOPTIONS

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who answered the call again this Christmas by generously adopting all 300 children and disabled adults entrusted to us by the Salvation Army and the Transfiguration Food Pantry! All unwrapped gifts need to be returned to the church by this afternoon at 5 p.m. Please label each gift and the outside of the bag with the angel's name and code. Contact Pam Sternweis at pamela.sternweis@gmail.com or 214-587-2675 with any questions or concerns.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REGISTRATION

Children and youth ages three years old through high school are invited to help act out the story of Christ's birth at the 3 p.m. Eucharist on Christmas Eve. To participate or volunteer to help please register in Realm. More information on audition times and ways to help is available on the Realm registration page.

COMING UP

AUSTIN STREET CENTER THANKSGIVING EVE DINNER

Our Thanksgiving Eve feast for ASC is this Wednesday! The volunteer serving list is full, but you can still help. St Hilda's and the Episcopal Men's Fellowship have generously funded the majority of the dinner, but additional donations would be greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to Transfiguration and note "ASC Thanksgiving Dinner." A huge thanks to our serving volunteers, St Hilda's, and EMF for their support. For more information, contact Judy Loveday-Corbett at jlovedaycorbett@yahoo.com.

COMING UP

ADVENT BLANKET DRIVE

During Advent, Children's Ministries are collecting blankets for Vogel Alcove, a childcare center that provides developmental, social, and health services to children from families experiencing homelessness. Please bring donations in December to the designated baskets in the Tower Cloister by Christmas Eve.

CHRISTMAS MOVIE SERIES

During December in both youth Sunday school (10:15 a.m.) and Wednesday Crossover (6:30 p.m.), we'll explore a series on Biblical lessons in Christmas movies. On Sundays we'll watch "A Nightmare Before Christmas," "Arthur Christmas," and "A Christmas Carol," and at Crossover, we'll watch "Elf," "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," and "Home Alone." Encourage your kids to invite their friends to join us for these fun lessons in the Youth Center!

FRIENDSDAY WEDNESDAY

First Wednesdays are for youth fun! Sandwiched between musical worship and prayer, we'll have dinner, celebrate monthly birthdays, play games, do crafts, and just hang out. This is a chance to welcome others and to strengthen our relationships with one another and with God. Encourage your child to invite a friend or a neighbor to come! Join us December 4 from 6:30 - 8 p.m. in the Youth Center.

SECOND HALF - HOLIDAY HEALTH

Join us to discuss the health challenges seniors often face this time of year. How do we keep ourselves and our loved ones healthy and happy over the holidays and reduce stress for everyone? Join Second Half on Thursday, December 5 at 1 p.m. in Roper Hall for a presentation led by Joe Boorman. The presentation is free, no registration is required and all are invited to attend.

WOMEN'S EVENING BOOK GROUP

The Women's Evening Book Group will meet on December 5 in the Parlor at 7 p.m. to discuss *The Baker's Secret* by Stephen P. Kiernan. In 1944 in a small Nazi occupied village on the Normandy coast, young baker Emmanuelle is making bread that sustains her villagers, but also gives them hope that ultimately the Allies will arrive to save them. All women are welcome. Email questions to Betsy Warren at betsymwarren@gmail.com.

SAINT NICHOLAS VISIT

The real-life Saint Nicholas lived during the 4th century in ancient Turkey. He used all his money to help children in need and people who were sick or poor. Children are invited to leave their shoes outside their formation class door on December 8 to receive a sweet treat from this beloved saint and families are invited to take pictures with Saint Nicholas in the Gathering Space between services.

COMING UP

ADVENT PROCESSION OF LESSONS & CAROLS

The Transfiguration Choir and congregation will celebrate the Advent season through Scripture and song on Sunday, December 8 at 5 p.m. The choir will process throughout the church as it sings carols and anthems, and the congregation will join in singing hymns, chants, and carols accompanied by the handbells and the two organs. Childcare is provided and a reception follows this perennial favorite in Roper Hall.

ADVENT TAIZE SERVICE

Experience a contemplative evening of prayer and song and encounter the beauty of Transfiguration's labyrinth by candlelight at 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 15.

ART MUSIC MONDAY

The second concert of the 2019-2020 Art Music series will be held on Monday, December 16 at 7:30 p.m. Daryl Coad, clarinet, Gayane Manasjan Fullford, cello, and Edward Newman, piano, will perform works by Beethoven and Bruch. Presented in the intimate environment of Transfiguration's Performance Hall, this program is free and includes coffee and light desserts.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

A big "thank you" to the 368 households that have made a pledge financial support for 2020! A total of \$1,593,539 has been pledged. We still hope to hear from everyone else who calls Transfiguration home. Pledges are the foundation of our budget (representing more than 90% of revenue), so please submit your pledge as soon as you can. You may use Realm to pledge online, drop a pledge card in the offering plate, or mail it to the office. Contact Sophie Lowrance at 972-233-1898 or slowrance@transfiguration.net with any questions.

WORSHIP WITH US

Did you know we celebrate the Eucharist each Wednesday at 6 p.m. and Thursday at noon? When you can not attend on the weekend or simply need a midweek holy encounter with God, join us for one of these quiet, intimate services.

FLOWERS

The Altar flowers today are given in memory of Marilou Ellen Richard, mother of Becky Richard, who died on October 28.

PASTORAL CARE

Clergy, staff, and other ministers work together to provide pastoral care to our church every week. Through prayer, personal visits, anointing, carrying the Sacrament, and many other ways, we seek to serve people in need. If you would like to add someone to those prayed for daily by our Prayer Chain, email prayers@transfiguration.net or call 972-233-1989 (ext. 300). For private pastoral counseling and spiritual direction, contact Pastor Nancy DeStefano at ndestefano@transfiguration.net. If you would like to notify the clergy of a need, please use the Pastoral Care Station in the Gathering Space and submit a card. And if you urgently need to reach a member of the clergy after hours, call 214-296-2748.

BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER 24

Tim Eller
Hays Hendricks
Jill Hernandez
Kevin Keith
Dorette Noorhasan
Kathy Pershern

NOVEMBER 26

Pat Miller

NOVEMBER 27

Brenda Beardsley
Billie Daniels
Graham Gingles

NOVEMBER 28

Lois Waller
Janet Wilson
Stephen Yahwak

NOVEMBER 29

Kathryn Cope
Jole Luehrs
Sally Stone
Amelia VonAhsen

NOVEMBER 30

Isaac Grant
Sophie Melendez

DECEMBER 1

Bill Duke
Barb Herber
Whitney Holley
Olivia Vaught

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preacher | Rebecca Tankersley

Presider | Casey Shobe

Assistants | Ginny Kivel,
Michael Merriman

Minister of Ceremonies | Kipton Morivec

Acolytes | Ria Marsh, Sophie Guion,
Naomi Dick, Bradley Dawes, Bram Teeple,
Bill Kesley

Lector 1 | Sophie Guion

Lector 2 | Greg Dill

Eucharistic Ministers

Jodi Dalton, Lisa Green, Christine Johnson,
Allison Murphy

Greeters | Barbara DeLizza, Frank DeLizza,
Kurt Smith

Ushers | Jim Kirkman, Alan Dunlop,
Jody Hardman, Sheila MacLennan,
Chip Ngondo, Karen Washington

Sound Technician | Alan Justice

Organist | Stefan Engel

Director of Music | Joel Martinson

Altar Guild | Carolyn Lewis, Annette Randall,
Joan Payseur, Emogene Hanvey, Linda Carrara,
Nick Braun

Flower Guild | Ann Huffman, Susie Alt,
Elizabeth Jenkins, Sarita Florida,
Mary Ellen Horan, John Bhadelia

WORSHIP WITH US

Wednesday 6 p.m. | Thursday noon
Saturday 5:30 | Sunday 9 & 11:15

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Children's Chapel	Classroom 3	9:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	Church	9:00 a.m.
Advent Festival	Roper Hall	10:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	Church	11:15 a.m.
Young Adult Brunch	Offsite	12:00 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Tai Chi Class	Roper Hall	7:00 p.m.
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Tuesday Book Study	Parlor	1:30 p.m.
Bella Musica Rehearsal	Music Room	7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Holy Eucharist	Church	6:00 p.m.
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Church Office Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Meet the Vestry	Gathering Space	5:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist - The Table	Church	5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

Meet the Vestry	Gathering Space	8:00 a.m.
Children's Chapel	Classroom 3	9:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	Church	9:00 a.m.
Formation Classes for All Ages	Various Rooms	10:15 a.m.
Peace Post	Church Office	10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	Church	11:15 a.m.



Each month, Transfiguration makes
a donation to the National Forest
Foundation to offset our paper usage.

PARISH-WIDE ELECTION RESULTS

Last weekend we concluded Transfiguration's annual parish elections for four new Vestry members and Diocesan Convention Delegates for 2020. Thank you to everyone who voted! The results are as follows:

The Vestry slate of four, Jodi Dalton, Scott Daniels, Linda Horton and Mark Ramsey was approved. These four new Vestry members will begin their three-year term in January 2020.

Next year's *Diocesan Convention Delegation* will be led by Jim Kirkman and consist of George Banitch, Oliver Cone, Louise Harms, E.T. Manning, and Elaine Sweet. The alternates are Barbara Cody, Bryant Kitchens, Kristi Roper, Peter Soper, and Brett Vanderbrook.

A special thanks is extended to the Nominating Committee, who spent time meeting with candidates, reviewing applications, and faithfully filling these vacancies for leadership in the church. The group was chaired by Robin Caldwell and comprised of George Banitch, Chip Brownlee, Jim Cates, Kristin Cutts, Barbara DeLizza, Lacey Garcia, Roy Heller, Liz Kerner-Wyse, Pat Kriska, and Paul Sternweis. If you are interested in participating on the Nominating Committee next year, it will begin its work in July 2020. Questions? Contact Robin Caldwell at jrcaldwel@verizon.net.

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