



The Transfiguration of Christ

The Transfiguration of Christ is one of the Great Feasts of the Orthodox Church, celebrated on August 6.

Jesus had gone with his disciples Peter, James, and John to Mount Tabor. Christ's appearance was changed while they watched into a glorious radiant figure. There appeared Elijah and Moses, speaking with Jesus. The disciples were amazed and terribly afraid.

This event shows forth the divinity

of Christ, so that the disciples would understand after his Ascension that He was truly the radiant splendor of the Father, and that his Passion was voluntary (Mark 9:2-9). It also shows the possibility of our own theosis.

This event was the subject of some debates between Gregory Palamas and Barlaam of Calabria. Barlaam believed that the light shining from Jesus was created light,

while Gregory maintained the disciples were given grace to perceive the uncreated light of God. This supported Gregory's larger argument that although we cannot know God in His *essence*, we can know Him in his *energies*, as He reveals Himself.

Accounts of the Transfiguration are found in the Bible: Matthew 17:1-8, Mark 9:2-9, Luke 9:28-36, and II Peter 1:16-19.

<http://orthodoxwiki.org/Transfiguration>

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Special points of interest:

- Church Kneeler History
- Episcopal Day School of Evergreen
- Bell Tower Legacy Society
- Vestry Highlights
- Letter from our Treasurer

Transfiguration of Christ, continued

A Great Vespers is conducted on the eve of the feast, and on the morning of the feast, the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom celebrated, traditionally preceded by the Matins service.

The Vespers service includes the readings: Exodus 24:12-18, 33:11-23, 34:4-6, 8; I Kings 19:3-9, 11-13, 15-16. The Matins service includes the reading: Luke 9:28-36. And the Divine Liturgy: II Peter 1:10-19; Matthew 17:1-9.

It is believed that Christ's transfiguration took place

at the time of the Jewish Festival of Booths, and that the celebration of the event in the Christian



Church became the New Testament fulfillment of the Old Testament feast. Presently it is celebrated on the sixth of August, forty days before the feast, Elevation of the Holy Cross. Just as Peter, James, and John saw the transfiguration before the

crucifixion so that they might know who it is who will suffered for them, the Church connects these two feasts to help the faithful understand the mission of Christ and that his suffering was voluntary.

The feast of the Transfiguration of Christ once belonged to the season of Great Lent, but may have been considered too joyous for that time. Saint Gregory Palamas, a great teacher of the Transfiguration, is now celebrated on one of the Sundays of Lent instead.

The Bell Tower Legacy Society

Committee Members:

Michael Corriden

Mary Haave

Anne Meier

Martha Ulibarri

More information about the Bell Tower Legacy Society to be given at both services on September 9th.



Check This Out!!!

JOIN THE THEOLOGICAL INQUIRY CLASS LED BY FR. MARK USING FREDERICK BUECHNER'S BOOK "**WISHFUL THINKING: A THEOLOGICAL ABC**". THE CLASS IS HELD IN STEWART LOUNGE (IN ST. MARK'S) BETWEEN SUNDAY SERVICES FROM 9:00 TO 10:00.



*Lectio Divina will be held
on August 4th at 9 am*



Church Picnic—11:30 AM on Sunday, August 5th in the meadow. Burgers, brats and beverages will be provided, please bring a side dish or dessert and a smile to share!

Church of the Transfiguration Staff and Vestry

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www.colorado-weddings.org

2012 Vestry

Co- Senior Wardens: David
Black & Randy Reznik
Junior Warden—Emil Gadeken
Mary Hatfield
Stephanie Harris
Treasurer—Steven Peters
Vestry Clerk—Sara Gadeken

Church Kneelers, by Sara Gadeken

The Missionary Cross kneeler, associated with Epiphany, and the Marsh Marigold is to the left of the Cross with Thorns. This kneeler was given by the Women of Transfiguration to honor Ann Blakeslee, wife of the recently retired rector Charles Blakeslee, and it was stitched by Donna Shepherd, daughter of our long-time treasurer. This cross has four crosslets, one on each arm of the center cross, and thus it refers to the commandment to preach the Gospel in all four corners of the earth. The Marsh Marigold is a beautiful flower that is seldom seen in Evergreen except in in marshy sites in unusually rainy years.



Anne was in charge of the Sunday school for many years and for a while was on the National Sunday School Curriculum Development Committee of the Seabury Institute. She was a saint, a word that I, ever the skeptic, do not use lightly, and she was the most loving person I have ever known. After her husband retired she became interested in writing, and she published a children's book *As the Fortune Cookie Crumbles*, which was chosen as an alternative selection for the Junior Literary Guild Book Club. She died of leukemia after Father Blakeslee died.



School's Back in Session!!



EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL OF EVERGREEN

ACADEMIC YEAR 2012-2013

CALENDAR

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| AUGUST 21, 2012 TUESDAY | TEACHER WORKDAY 9:00 AM – 12:00 CLASSROOMS |
| AUGUST 22, 2012 WEDNESDAY | TEACHER WORKDAY 9:00 AM – 12:00 CLASSROOMS |
| AUGUST 23, 2012 THURSDAY | OPEN HOUSE 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM |
| AUGUST 27, 2012 | FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL |
| SEPTEMBER 3, 2012 MONDAY | LABOR DAY SCHOOL CLOSED |
| SEPTEMBER 4, 2012 | REGULAR SCHOOL SCHEDULE RESUMES |
| NOVEMBER 20 THROUGH NOVEMBER 22, 2012 | THANKSGIVING BREAK SCHOOL CLOSED |
| NOVEMBER 26, 2012 MONDAY | REGULAR SCHOOL SCHEDULE RESUMES |
| DECEMBER 24, 2012 THROUGH JANUARY 3, 2013 | WINTER BREAK SCHOOL CLOSED |
| JANUARY 4, 2013 WEDNESDAY | REGULAR SCHOOL SCHEDULE RESUMES |
| MARCH 25, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 28, 2013 | SPRING BREAK SCHOOL CLOSED |
| APRIL 1, 2013 MONDAY | REGULAR SCHOOL SCHEDULE RESUMES |
| MAY 27, 2013 | MEMORIAL DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED |
| JUNE 10, 2013 | LAST DAY OF SCHOOL |

SOUP'S ON, EChO Lunches, Vestry

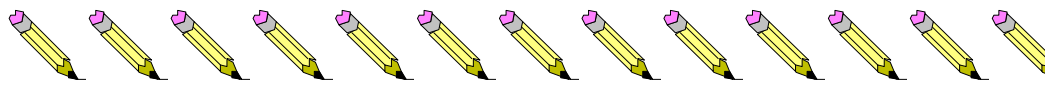


Soup Ministry

Homemade soups in the freezer are available for parishioners and friends that are sick, shut-in or need some TLC. Feel free to give soup to someone you see at church that is hurting, or take soup to someone you are going to visit. The soups are in the freezer on the east wall of the kitchen.



Help make lunch for the community.....COT makes a salad/pasta lunch the third Sunday of each month to give to EChO for those in need. We need volunteers to help in the preparation and purchase of ingredients for this worthy cause. Please contact Stephanie Harris if interested and willing to help! 303-564-0210



July 16, 2012 and July 30, 2012

- Discussed the Bell Tower Legacy Society*
- Voted to accept the request to ask for donations for the Haiti Konbit program*
- Proposed signs for campus approved*
- Pension fund for lay employees scheduled to work 1000+ hours/year approved*



ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO SIT IN ON THE OPEN SESSIONS OF THE VESTRY MEETINGS.



A Letter from our Treasurer

To the Church of the Transfiguration:

The financial health of parish at mid-year is good. Our checking account balance, which reflects the flow of collections and expenditures, is within 10% of the balance at the start of the year. At that time, we had some pre-paid offerings. Collections in the summer are better than expected for this time of year. Our current assets have slipped less than 2%, to \$103,240.14. Thank you very much to those who are honoring their pledges to the parish, and to those who have made non-pledge contributions.

The Vestry budgeted approximately \$32,000 per month to meet the costs of the Church in 2012. This would not be possible without revenues from the rental property and from the school. These combine to offset pledge and plate contributions, which do not meet Church needs. I am particularly thankful to EChO, the EDSE Board and staff, and to Ken Schmidt for their continuing hard work and commitment. They provide the cash flow that sustains the parish.

The challenge before the parish is twofold: to grow the congregation and to increase the stewardship of parishioners. Budgeted expenses cannot continue at current reduced levels:

- We are deferring many maintenance expenses.
- The outcome of the upcoming discernment process for our parish priest is also likely to lead to greater need for funds.
- Benefits costs will rise in 2013.

Please continue to prayerfully consider your commitment to the Church of the Transfiguration.

Steven Peters

The Transfiguration Book Club

Monday, August 27th from 6:30—9:30 PM in the Church

Just Like Us by Helen Thorpe

All are invited to join in on this fun and interesting group—ladies AND gentlemen!

Even if you have never come to any of the meetings before, please come....and bring friends!

Please bring a snack and drink to share

If you have question or concerns, email

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Kit Snyder—snyderkit@hotmail.com



September's book will be announced soon.

October's book is: White Tiger, A Novel by Aravind Adiga

Please plan to stay after the monthly church cookout on August 5th for a clean-up day for the church! We need all that are willing and able to help!!!



Prayers

Anointing and Healing

Prayers Anointing and healing prayers are offered by Father Mark and the Daughters of the King during the 10:15 service on the last Sunday of each month. All are welcome to come to the front of the church after communion for this special offering. This month the prayers will be on August 26th.

Morning Prayer Service

sponsored by the Daughters of the King and in fellowship with EDSE is offered on Wednesday mornings at 8:30 AM in the church. The Daughters and Friends of the Episcopal Day School extend an invitation to all to attend this wonderful service. Please feel free to walk the Labyrinth after.

Evening Prayer Service

also sponsored by the Daughters of the King is offered on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:30 pm in the Chapel of St. Mary and St. Joseph. The next Evening Prayer services will be August 13th and 27th.

Happenings



3RD ANNUAL DAM DUCK DERBY

Main Street Downtown

August 4, 2012

www.downtownevergreen.com

The Evergreen Business Association will host the 3rd Annual Dam Ducky Derby as a race for local kids on Saturday, August 4, 2012. A portion of the proceeds will help local kid's charities. For more information on the race, purchasing ducks, race day events, and volunteering, please visit downtownevergreen.com

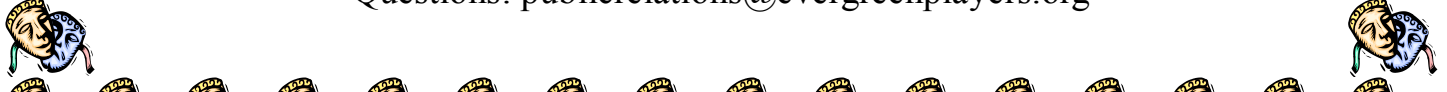


www.evergreenplayers.org

Evergreen Players: Hair: The American Tribal love-Rock Musical

Dates: August 3-4 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM and August 5 at 2:00 p.m

Questions: publicrelations@evergreenplayers.org



www.downtownevergreen.com

The Downtown Evergreen Business Association will be hosting a Farmers Market on Wednesdays running through September 12th. Stop by and stock up on fresh produce and other great food items for the week and enjoy goods and services from local businesses.



HAPPENINGS



Save the Date!!!

All Parish Retreat at Cathedral Ridge, Woodland Park, CO. August 24-26th! Renew and connect with God, creation, and your church community! All ages welcome!!! Contact St. John's Cathedral for information.

Phone: 303-831-7115 Email: info@sjcathedral.org

Summer Concert Series at the Lake House

5pm—9pm

August 1 - Dakota Blonde

August 15th - Tunisia

August 29th—Hosty Duo

Pick up a dinner basket at Cactus Jack's before you go! Dinner for two: half a chicken, potato salad and baked beans—complete in a unique basket with dinnerware! Just \$15!!!!

Call ahead (if possible) to reserve your dinner—303-674-1564



The Mile High Global Bazaar is a celebration of cultural diversity and expression in a variety of forms to encourage understanding and appreciation of different cultures. Experience a variety of art, wares, food, music, and cultures from around the globe right here in Denver. This free event will have something for people of all ages. **August 10th—Skyline Park**



Evergreen Christian Outreach

Needs List-August 2012

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| Spaghetti Sauce | Sugar | Toothpaste |
| Canned Beans (pinto, black) | Instant Mashed Potatoes | Boxed Pasta |
| Laundry Detergent | Canned Pork & Beans | Toilet Paper |
| Dish Soap | Paper Products | Canned Corn |
| Shampoo/Conditioner | Canned fruit (esp. pineapple) | Cold Cereal |
| Baking Powder | Tooth Brushes | Deodorant |
| | Canned Meats (Tuna) | |
| | Toothbrushes | |
| | Soups | |



Other Items for St. Raphael's House*

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| **New Underwear & Socks for all | Area Rugs |
| King & Queen bedding | Coffee Makers, Blenders, Toasters, etc. |
| Shoes for all | Teen girl birthday gifts |
| **Men's and Women's Jeans | Bath and kitchen towels |
| Kitchen gadgets & silverware (can openers) | Girl's shorts |
| Pots & Pans | Dishes and Drinking Glasses |
| Women's Business Clothes | Business Accessories |

***Donations appreciated during regular business hours only! We no longer accept donations after hours due to fire and safety requirements. Thank you for your cooperation and your donations.**

Volunteers Always Needed!

Call: 303-670-1796

Evergreen Christian Outreach

P.O. Box 1515

Evergreen, CO 80437

Celebrate!!!

August Birthdays

Vivian Peters August 3

Jeff McCarthy August 4

Kay McPeck August 4

Joan Shrimpton August 4

Dave McDonald August 5

Robert Jacobson August 13

Marvin Courtney August 18

Bob Jacobus August 18

Russell Boley August 21

Jean Jacobus August 21

Polly Boley August 25

Devin Black August 27

Dick Wilson August 30

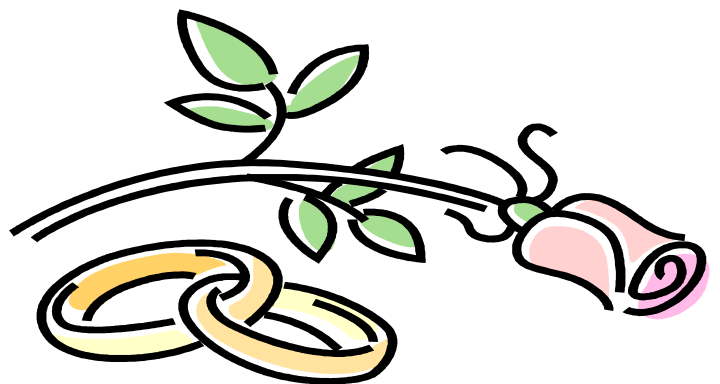


August Anniversaries

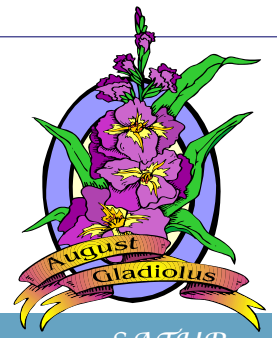
*Ray & Pat Crist
August 5th*

*Robert & Mary Jacobson
August 17th*

*Marvin & Susan Courtney
August 21st*



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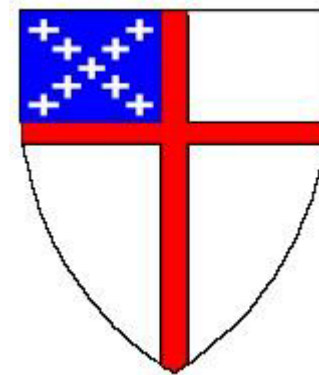


| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | 1 7:30 pm AA | 2 | 3 9 am -7 pm Kitchen Use | 4 8 am AA 9 am Lectio Divina 11-3 Rubber Ducky Derby Parking and Trolley Turn |
| 5 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Cookout and Clean up Day!!!! | 6 9-3 EDSE | 7 9-3 EDSE | 8 8:30 am Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 10-11:30 EChO Meeting 7 pm Choir 7:30 pm AA | 9 9-3 EDSE 9-12 EChO 6-9 Evergreen Players | 10 9 am -7 pm Kitchen Use ??? Wedding Rehearsal | 11 8 am AA ??? Wedding |
| 12 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist | 13 9-3 EDSE 5:30 pm Evening Prayer | 14 9-3 EDSE 4-6 Property Committee 7-10 EChO Board Meeting | 15 9-3 EDSE 8:30 am Morning Prayer 7 pm Choir 7:30 pm AA | 16 9-3 EDSE ??? Dinner/BBQ | 17 9 am -7 pm Kitchen Use | 18 8 am AA |
| 19 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist | 20 8-12 EChO 9-3 EDSE 6:30 Vestry | 21 9-3 EDSE 6-9 pm Friendship Bridge | 22 8:30 am Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 7 pm Choir 7:30 pm AA | 23 9-3 EDSE | 24 9 am -7 pm Kitchen Use | 25 8 am AA |
| 26 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 -10 Theological Inquiry 10:15 am Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers | 27 9-3 EDSE 6:30-9 Book Club 5:30 Evening Prayer | 28 9-3 EDSE | 29 8:30 am Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE | 30 9-3 EDSE | 31 9-3 EDSE 9 am -7 pm Kitchen Use | Church Douglas Hall St. Mark's Meadow Chapel Stuart Lounge |

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Newsletter Submissions

Please contact Stephanie Harris with ideas, suggestions and monthly reports for the newsletter. Monthly reports to be submitted no later than the 22nd of each month.

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**Have something to add to the newsletter?!?!
Please contact Stephanie (see contact information to the left).**

**Upcoming ideas for pages: recipe exchange,
community coupons, trivia and games**

**ALL IDEAS WELCOME AND
ENCOURAGED!!!**