



**Church of the
Transfiguration**
The Episcopal Church in Evergreen

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The Good News, November 2016

The Parish Office is open weekdays from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Ministry Schedule

Sunday Holy Eucharist

In the Sanctuary
8:00 am & 10:15 am (with Choir)

Evening Prayer

In the Chapel
Second & Fourth Monday, 5:30 pm

Children's Chapel

In the Sanctuary
Every Thursday, 3:00 pm

Lectio Divina

In the Sanctuary
First Saturday, 9:30 am

Anointing & Healing

In the Sanctuary
Last Sunday, 10:15 am Eucharist

Centering Prayer

In the Chapel
Every Tuesday, 8:00 am
Mary Haave - mhaave74@gmail.com
Maria Rosa Galter
maria.rosa.9823@hotmail.com

Bible Study

At St. Raphael's House
Every Wednesday, 6:00 pm
Robin Tem-robin.tems@yahoo.com

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Hands to Heart
At St. Raphael's House
First Wednesday, 1:00 pm
Liz Jones - lizj2@comcast.net
Georgine McCarthy
gmccarthy0982@comcast.net

A Message from the Rector

I've been taking an online class called "Appreciative Inquiry" which discusses re-thinking how we see the world, our life and our church. It's called "Appreciative" because it teaches us to view situations with gratitude. "Inquiry" helps us examine how we are appreciative. At our Stewardship Committee meetings, we've been asking, "What were our successes this past year and how can we do better next year?"

The instructor of the course is Rob Voyle, an Episcopal priest and psychologist. He says that often a group will ask, "What are we doing wrong?" instead of "What are we doing right?" He says that by asking what we are doing wrong, we create a "funky brain" - a negative vibration. The funky vibe remains even when followed by a positive question.

He recommends an "appreciative inquiry" such as, "What are our successes?" When the question is asked in an appreciative way, it is done with a thankful heart. We want to hear the answer to the question and we want to BUILD on that answer. We get excited by new possibilities! We realize that God is in our question and God is in our answer.

Advent starts on November 27; the beginning of a new church year. Advent is a time to review the past year, and plan for the new one. We examine the past and hopefully, we have gratitude for all that God has given us. You've heard me use the term "attitude of gratitude" which means living a Christian life, full of faith, hope and love.

While taking this course, I learned of a congregation that established an "attitude of gratitude" as a way to "give back to God" by pledging their time, and a commitment of their talents and money to support the ministries of their church. This was their way of giving thanks to God. I'd like to add the "attitude of gratitude" to our pledge forms. Let's pledge to be appreciative of God's blessings of our time, our talents and treasure in supporting the ministries of CoT.

A little story...how I started pledging at church. As a child, my allowance was 15 ¢ a week. Out of that 15 ¢, I put 5 ¢ in my church envelope. I gave my 5¢ every Sunday, from a sense of duty to my parents and the church.

As newlyweds, Cathleen and I gave \$10-20 every Sunday from our small salaries as a teacher and secretary. It felt good to give, but it also felt like an obligation. It wasn't until we joined the Episcopal church that we gave with a sense of gratitude. It was no longer an obligation to donate our time, talents and hard earned money to benefit our church.

I attribute my becoming a more active member of the church community to the gift of God's grace. I thank the Lord for the opportunity to have served as a lay person and now as an ordained priest. I realize that my many years of practicing law was another way I've been able, with God's grace, to help others. I pray that you will experience God's grace. It has transformed my life and continues to do so.

When you've experienced God's grace, you want to share it. In fact, it's almost impossible not to share! I bid you, on behalf of the Church of the Transfiguration to have an "attitude of gratitude" and give of your time, your talents and treasure to lift up Transfiguration.

Michael +

**Outreach Sunday is
November 13**

**Please bring a
frozen turkey to
donate to EChO!**



**Traditional Pre-Thanksgiving Fellowship Feast
Sunday, November 20 at 5:00 pm in the Church**

Turkey, gravy, coffee, tea and cider are provided!
(Bring your own wine.)



Sign up at the church to bring a
salad, side dish or dessert,
set up, serve or clean up

Contact person and Chef Extraordinaire is
Jeni Warnken at 303-829-8909 or jeniwarnken@hotmail.com

Youth Group Advent Wreath Sale

Starting November 20, Advent wreaths may be
purchased at the morning services and at the
Thanksgiving Fellowship Feast. Each wreath
comes with five candles and a prayer pamphlet.



Cost: \$25.00

Sign up at the church to reserve yours!
All proceeds benefit the Youth Group.



**ALTERNATIVE
GIFT FAIR**

**Saturday, November 12 from 9 am -4 pm
Sunday, November 13 from 9 am -3 pm**

Evergreen Lutheran Church

Participating charities receive 100%
of the proceeds from their sales!

Bake Sale items are needed!

Transfiguration has a reputation for
contributing the tastiest baked goods!

Please drop off your donations at Transfiguration on
Friday, November 11 at 3: 30 when we will package them.
Bring your decorative skills and chocolate chip cookies!

To volunteer, please go to www.gifttwice.org
Contact Kit Snyder at kitsnyder@hotmail.com
or Stephanie Park at stephaniepark911@gmail.com



November Birthdays!

Fr. Michael McManus	3
Ed Work	5
Marcia Younger	6
Chris Keaton	12
Dixie Kilborn	16
Mary Hatfield	18
Patsy Langworthy	19
Mychelle Mowry	21
Robin Terns	28



Sunday School

Every Sunday

Children's Sunday School is offered during the 10:15 am service. The Crayons curriculum finishes up the story of David and Star Trip is the curriculum during Advent. Volunteer teachers are needed one Sunday a month for this important and rewarding children's educational ministry. Lesson plans and all materials are provided.



Sunday School contact: Jeni Warnken at 303-829-8909 or jeniwarnken@hotmail.com.

Transfiguration Outreach Ministry

Nov.-Dec.

The Annual Coat Drive for EChO has begun. Please bring your gently used coats, sweaters, hats, gloves and scarves to church and place them in the Coat Drive box.

November 13

Outreach Sunday, bring frozen turkeys to donate to EChO.

November 20-27

Emergency Shelter Program (ESP), Transfiguration hosts 6:00 pm-7:00 am, Douglas Hall. Volunteers are needed to chaperone, cook and clean up.



Matthew 25 Project

Donate empty prescription bottles (with labels removed) and place in the basket at church.

World Refugees

CoT works with Lutheran Family Services to provide assistance to refugees from around the world. Please call Marcia Walsh at 303-670-0556 for more information.

EChO

Evergreen Christian Outreach. Volunteer or donate to the Food Pantry, Job Assistance Program, Resale Shop or Enrichment Center-info@evergreenchristianoutreach.org.

ESP

Emergency Shelter Program (see November 20-27).

Outreach Chair: Arwen Berry at arwenberry@gmail.com.

Youth Group

November 6

Youth Group Parent meeting, 9:00 am and 12:00 pm, Stewart Lounge.
Youth Group, 5:00-7:00 pm, Douglas Hall.

November 11

Alternative Gift Fair, Youth Café setup, 6:00-7:30 pm, Evergreen Lutheran Church.

November 12-13

Alternative Gift Fair, staff the Youth Café, 12:00-4:00 pm.

November 13

JAM, 10:15 am, Douglas Hall.

November 18

Advent wreath assembly, 5:00-8:00 pm, St. Mark's.

November 19

Advent wreath assembly, 1:30-4:30 pm, St. Mark's.

November 20

Advent wreath sale at both services and Thanksgiving Feast.
Thanksgiving Feast setup and cleanup, 5:00 pm, in the Sanctuary.

November 27

JAM, 10:15 am, Douglas Hall.

December 4

Youth Group, 5:00-7:00 pm, Douglas Hall.

December 11

JAM, 10:15 am, Douglas Hall.

December 16

Youth Group Family Christmas Party, 6:00 pm, St. Raphael's House.

Youth Minister: Stephanie Park at stephaniepark911@gmail.com.



Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

November 11

Alternative Gift Fair, Bake Sale packaging, 3:30 pm, in the church.

November 24

Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot, 7:00-10:00 am, in the church.
CoT ECW provides warm drinks and water for race participants.





Help us **STOMP** out **HUNGER**

and come join us for our
7th Annual Turkey Trot

Thursday, November 24, 2016

Packet pickup & Registration 8:00am

Trot Starts at 9:00am

PRE-REGISTER starting Nov. 1st to Guarantee a t-shirt.

- \$25 for an adult (12 and older)
- \$10 for a child (12 and under)
- \$65 for a family of 4

Register online at evergreenchristianoutreach.org

or pick up forms at EChO Office or EChO Resale

Register before November 20th to guarantee your t-shirt.

Day of Registration increases \$5 per person.

ANNUAL COAT DRIVE

Help others stay warm!

Transfiguration's Coat Drive is underway!

As cold weather approaches, items for men, women and children are badly needed. Please bring your gently used coats, sweaters, hats, gloves and scarves to the church and place them in the Coat Drive box.

Contact Jennifer Francis

queenbead72@yahoo.com.



Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 pm at St. Raphael's

Readings from Isaiah, Hebrews and Revelation are discussed. Bibles are available or you can bring your own. Contact Robin Tems at robin.tems@yahoo.com or Fr. Michael at rector@church-transfig.net.

Greening of the Church

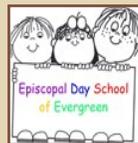
Join the congregation on
Sunday, November 20
immediately following the
10:15 am service to decorate
the church for the Holidays!
Please bring a pot of soup
to share when we've finished
greening the church.

Contact Shelley Black at
shelleyblack@gmail.com.

Children's Chapel

Every Thursday at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary join Fr. Michael and the students of the Episcopal Day School of Evergreen for a Children's Chapel Service.

Parents, relatives and guests are welcome!



TRANSFIGURATION SPEAKER SERIES

Sunday, November 20, in Douglas Hall, 9:00-9:45 am

Sara Bradbury, Director Hope Academy, will discuss the objectives of Hope Academy. A partner with the Denver Street School, Hope Academy is an accredited school for girls ages 13-19 who have been rescued from domestic minor sex trafficking (DMST) in the Denver metro area and Jefferson County. The goals of the school are to help students earn a high school diploma and become responsible, successful adults.



Denver Street School

SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS



This service traces God's plan of salvation through Jesus Christ through the Hebrew and Christian scriptures with choral pieces and congregational carols after each reading.

The Choir of Holy Love Lutheran Church, under the direction of Nathan Jones, will join the Church of the Transfiguration Choir and the Alpine Brass Quintet in presenting this holiday tradition.

This year there are two opportunities to enjoy the Service of Lessons and Carols.

- ◇ Holy Love Lutheran Church-Saturday, December 17 at 6:00 pm.
- ◇ Church of the Transfiguration-Sunday, December 18 at 4:00 pm.

There is no charge, but contributions are gratefully accepted.

Book Club

November 16



The Book Club will meet in Stewart Lounge at 6:30 pm on November 16. This month's book is *A Man Called Ove* by Frederik Backman. Bring a snack & drink to share. E-mail Shelley Black at Shelleyblack@gmail.com or Kit Snyder at snyderkit@gmail.com or

Hike-a-Palians

Every Friday morning

"The darkest scriptures of the mountains are illuminated with bright passages of love." - John Muir. If you would like to experience God's cathedral of nature, take a walk with the Hike-a-Palians. Hikes are normally scheduled for Fridays, usually last 2-4 hours and are never too difficult. E-mail Tom Marker at tbmarker@aol.com.



Emergency Shelter Program (ESP)

The Emergency Shelter Program (ESP) assists those who have no place to protect themselves from harsh weather. Our church family has joined forces with Evergreen's churches, Rotary clubs, the Congregation Beth Evergreen and other social organizations from the mountain community to aid the homeless. For this project to be successful, more volunteers and supplies are needed.



E-mail Sara Gadeken at sgadeken@aol.com or ESP at esp@evergreenchristianoutreach.org.

The Annual Stewardship Campaign has begun! To keep our church alive and thriving we must each commit financially to it's continuing growth. We are blessed to have a loving community; we support and care about our church and one another.

Thankfulness is what we all should be thinking about when we consider our annual pledge. Please consider giving more in gratitude, so we can continue to grow and expand our ministries.

For more information on the Stewardship Campaign, contact the parish office at 303-674-4904 or cotransfig@gmail.com.



TRANSFIGURATION GUEST SPEAKER SERIES

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

9:00-9:45 AM (BETWEEN THE SERVICES)

IN DOUGLAS HALL

Do you or someone you know have knowledge, skills and/or experience that might be of interest to our church family? The Guest Speaker Series has been well received and we'd like to keep up the momentum!

In October and November we had presentations by the Colorado Haiti Project and Hope Academy. The topics can range from Education, health, sports, nutrition, travel, hobbies-whatever! The Speaker Series is meant to be both educational and fun.

Please speak with Fr. Michael if you'd like to suggest a topic or speaker.



Episcopal Day School of Evergreen
(EDSE)

Accepting students
age 12 months - age 6

Janet Reznik, Director
info@edse.org
303-674-1793

Office hours
Tues/Wed/Thur
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

The EDSE School Board
meets the first Thursday
of the month at 5:30 pm
In Stewart Lounge
Contact Mary Hatfield
maryphatfield@gmail.com

We Give Thanks

A prayer for Thanksgiving Dinner

Our Father in Heaven, we give thanks for the pleasure of gathering together for this occasion. We give thanks for this food prepared by loving hands. We give thanks for life, the freedom to enjoy it and all other blessings. As we partake of this food, we pray for health and strength to carry on and try to live as You would have us. This we ask in the name of Christ, our Heavenly Father. Amen.

Harry Jewell



Are you Planning a Special Occasion?



Anna Schmidt
Event Coordinator
weddings.church-transfig.net

Transfiguration has an Event Coordinator to assist in customizing your event. We host weddings, meetings, seminars, parties, receptions, reunions and retreats. The Sanctuary, Meadow, St. Mark's, Douglas Hall or the Chapel are all available for your special occasion!

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