

Two Questions for Lent



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1) Who is Jesus the Messiah? 2) What does it mean to me a faithful disciple of Jesus? After his baptism, Jesus spent 40 days in the desert asking himself, who he was as the Messiah. In those ancient days, a popular version of “Messiah”, was a leader -ruler who would lead the Jews to conquer their enemy as King David did. No one expected Jesus to be suffering and dying Messiah. Yet this is precisely what Jesus teaches his disciples! After hearing rejection, suffering, death and resurrection, the disciples shut down. In fact, the disciples don’t even hear resurrection, all hearing ceased after suffering and death. Yet that is clearly

what Jesus is teaching. This is what being the Messiah is for Jesus. The unacceptable is followed by the inconceivable. Peter, who had confessed to Jesus that he was the Messiah, now takes Jesus aside to rebuke Jesus. Peter may have said, “Rejection, suffering and death is not on the messiah agenda. Rather, prestige, power and might are on the agenda, Jesus! Jesus, we signed up for the Crown, not the Cross.” Peter was blinded by his own preconceptions. So are we. We are equally blinded by our own presuppositions of how life should be. Jesus hears Peter out, but then in turn rebukes Peter – Peter is speaking for Satan – trying to turn Jesus away from the Cross to be another kind of Messiah. These were

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Special points of interest:

- Holy Week Service Times
- Youth Group Events
- Book Club Ballot
- EfM



EChO FOOD BANK NEEDS

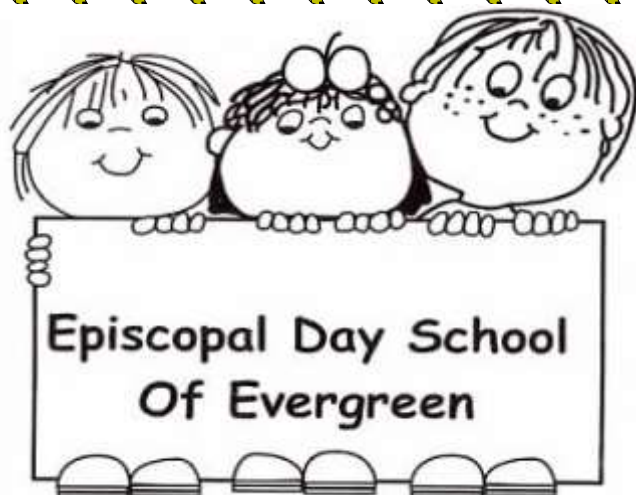
COT's items of the month—hearty soups or stew, chili, canned beans, canned fruit, hot & cold cereal, toothpaste/toothbrushes



*Lectio Divina will be held the SECOND Saturday of this month at 9:00 am. Our next gathering will be Saturday, March 14 in the Church.
We will not meet for Lectio Divina in April.*

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the first Wednesday of each month at 1 pm in Stewart Lounge. For more information, please contact Liz Jones at [303/679-1301](tel:3036791301) or Georgine McCarthy at [303/670-0887](tel:3036700887).



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Summer Camp Registration

Registration for EDSE's 2015 summer camp program will begin **Tuesday, March 10**. The summer schedule, information, and registration form will be posted both on Shutterfly and on edse.org.

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Two Questions for Lent, continued

the same temptations that Jesus had to deal with while in the desert for 40 days. These were the same temptations that Jesus had to deal with in the Garden of Gethsemane, asking his Father “to take this cup away from me”, but eventually saying “Your will, not mine.” This background of Jesus acceptance of “rejection, suffering, death and resurrection” leads from the Cross to the Crown. No Cross = No Crown. Yes, Cross = Crown. Jesus’ rebuke is not just to Peter, but to all his disciples: deny yourself and come, follow me. Denying self has been a problem. As long as the self reigns, we will forever seek painless shortcuts to the kingdom. Only when we deny self and take up the Cross, can we enter into the Kingdom of God. This is true Discipleship. In the end, Messiahship and Discipleship are inextricably linked. When we finally accept Jesus for who he is, the suffering one, who lays down his life for others, then we can understand who we are to be, denying self, we can take up the Cross and follow him.

Please contact Fr. Michael (rector@church-transfiguration or call 303-674-4904) to schedule a meeting to him to pre-plan for your funeral arrangements, hymns, scriptural readings, and your final wishes.

Thanks to Frederick Buechner, *Whistling in the Dark: An ABC Theologized* (San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1988), 74 and W. Hulitt Gloer, *Feasting on the Word* (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Know Press, 2008), 69-74.



EfM—Education for Ministry

Year One: The Hebrew Bible

Year Two: The New Testament

Year Three: Church History

Year Four: Theology, Ethics, and Interfaith Encounter

Participants in the EfM program study the entire sweep of the Christian tradition from the earliest period to the present. The seminar group is the nucleus of the Education for Ministry program. A group consists of six to twelve participants and a trained mentor who meet weekly over the course of a nine-month academic year. These meetings are usually from two and a half to three hours in length.

Through study, prayer, and reflection, EfM groups move toward a new understanding of the fullness of God's kingdom.

Contact Stephanie Park: stephaniepark911@gmail.com for more information and to register for a group at St. Laurence in Conifer beginning in September—all years!

The Bell Tower Legacy Society sponsored 3 educational workshops in February regarding estate planning.

Feb 1 *The Rev. Charlie Brumbaugh, Associate Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Cincinnati, Ohio - "LAST THINGS"*

Charlie Brumbaugh has developed and presented a 3 hour seminar - "Last

Things" for his church in Cincinnati. We were privileged to have him share a mini-version of this seminar. His personal experiences and sense of humor were enjoyable. He shared the importance of planning ahead for our death and what a gift this is for our families. Handouts were provided. Copies are available at the church office.

Feb 8 *Michael Coriden, attorney and member of Transfiguration - Wills*

Michael shared the importance of making a will, so that our wishes are carried out. For instance, Who do we want to be responsible for our pet? Other points covered were: people to notify of our death, writing our own obituary, and to remember to update beneficiaries.

Feb 15 *Wendy Snow, social worker Mt Evans Home Health and Hospice*

Advanced Directives

Wendy discussed the importance of having advanced directives such as a living will, medical power of attorney, and the MOST form. She emphasized the importance of CONVERSATION with our families about our wishes. Mt Evans Home Health and Hospice would be available to lead a workshop at our church "Have You Had the Conversation". Let me know if you would be interested in attending this workshop.

Please contact the Bell Tower Legacy Society - Mary Haave mhaave74@gmail.com or [303-670-3061](tel:303-670-3061) with topics of interest to you for future educational planning.

Remember Church of the Transfiguration in your estate planning.

Mary Haave, chair, Bell Tower Legacy Society



The Transfiguration Book Club

Dear Transfiguration Book Club:

Our next meeting is **Monday, March 23, 2015** (the 4th Monday of the month), at 6:30 p.m., in the church. We are discussing *The Miniaturist: A Novel, by Jessie Burton.*

Please select 3 books (circle the title) from the selection provided on [pages 7-8](#), and bring your ballot, with your final selections, to the church. There is a basket provided at the back of the church. Please **fold the ballot and put Shelley's name on the outside and leave it in** the basket. We will have counted the votes and will announce the **next three months' books at the beginning of Book Club on 3/23.**

The following research and availability has been completed on www.amazon.com.

Thanks!

If you have question or concerns, email:

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COT Outing for All Ages!!!!

Faith Day at the Rockies

Colorado Rockies vs. Cincinnati Reds

Date: Sunday, July 26

Game Time: 2:10 p.m.

Musical Guest: Michael W. Smith



We'll try for the "cheap seats" - tickets are \$15. If we get more than 25 people, we'll get a discount!

Please let Stephanie Park know by April 18th so that we can collect money and get a group of tickets ordered on Monday, April 20th.

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Finding Nouf, by Zoe Ferraris -- Paperback

When sixteen-year-old Nouf goes missing, her prominent family calls on Nayir al-Sharqi, a pious desert guide, to lead the search party. Ten days later, just as Nayir is about to give up in frustration, her body is discovered by anonymous desert travelers. But when the coroner's office determines that Nouf died not of dehydration but from drowning, and her family seems suspiciously uninterested in getting at the truth, Nayir takes it upon himself to find out what really happened. He quickly realizes that if he wants to gain access to the hidden world of women, he will have to join forces with Katya Hijazi, a lab worker at the coroner's office who is bold enough to bare her face and to work in public. Their partnership challenges Nayir and forces him to reconcile his desire for female companionship within the parameters imposed by his beliefs.

In The Heart Of The Sea, by Nathaniel Philbrick

Available: kindle, paperback, library

The ordeal of the whaleship Essex was an event as mythic in the nineteenth century as the sinking of the Titanic was in the twentieth. In 1819, the Essex left Nantucket for the South Pacific with twenty crew members aboard. In the middle of the South Pacific the ship was rammed and sunk by an angry sperm whale. The crew drifted for more than ninety days in three tiny whaleboats, succumbing to weather, hunger, disease, and ultimately turning to drastic measures in the fight for survival. Nathaniel Philbrick uses little-known documents—including a long-lost account written by the ship's cabin boy—and penetrating details about whaling and the Nantucket community to reveal the chilling events surrounding this epic maritime disaster.

Me Before You, by JoJo Moyes

Available: kindle, paperback and library

Louisa Clark is an ordinary girl living an exceedingly ordinary life—steady boyfriend, close family—who has barely been farther afield than their tiny village. She takes a badly needed job working for ex-Master of the Universe Will Traynor, who is wheelchair bound after an accident. Will has always lived a huge life—big deals, extreme sports, worldwide travel—and now he's pretty sure he cannot live the way he is.

Will is acerbic, moody, bossy—but Lou refuses to treat him with kid gloves, and soon his happiness means more to her than she expected. When she learns that Will has shocking plans of his own, she sets out to show him that life is still worth living.

Suite Francaise, by Irene Nemirovsky

Available: Kindle, paperback, library

Beginning in Paris on the eve of the Nazi occupation in 1940. *Suite Française* tells the remarkable story of men and women thrown together in circumstances beyond their control. As Parisians flee the city, human folly surfaces in every imaginable way: a wealthy mother searches for sweets in a town without food; a couple is terrified at the thought of losing their jobs, even as their world begins to fall apart. Moving on to a provincial village now occupied by German soldiers, the locals must learn to coexist with the enemy—in their town, their homes, even in their hearts. When Irène Némirovsky began working on *Suite Française*, she was already a highly successful writer living in Paris. But she was also a Jew, and in 1942 she was arrested and deported to Auschwitz, where she died. For sixty-four years, this novel remained hidden and unknown.

The Light Between Oceans, by M.L. Stedman

Available: Kindle, paperback, used

After four harrowing years on the Western Front, Tom Sherbourne returns to Australia and takes a job as the lighthouse keeper on Janus Rock, nearly half a day's journey from the coast. To this isolated island, where the supply boat comes once a season, Tom brings a young, bold, and loving wife, Isabel. Years later, after two miscarriages and one stillbirth, the grieving Isabel hears a baby's cries on the wind. A boat has washed up onshore carrying a dead man and a living baby.

The Nightingale, by Kristin Hannah

Available: Kindle, Hardcover, Used

FRANCE, 1939 -- In the quiet village of Carriveau, Vianne Mauriac says goodbye to her husband, Antoine, as he heads for the Front. She doesn't believe that the Nazis will invade France...but invade they do, in droves of marching soldiers, in caravans of trucks and tanks, in planes that fill the skies and drop bombs upon the innocent. When a German captain requisitions Vianne's home, she and her daughter must live with the enemy or lose everything. Without food or money or hope, danger escalates all around them.

All The Light We Cannot See, by Anthony Doerr

Available: Kindle, Paperback

From the highly acclaimed, multiple award-winning Anthony Doerr, the beautiful, stunningly ambitious instant *New York Times* bestseller about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II.

Khirbet Khizeh, by S. Yizhar

Available: Paperback, used

Fiction. Translated from the Hebrew by Nicholas de Lange and Yaacob Dweck. Afterword by David Shulman. This classic 1949 novella about the violent expulsion of Palestinian villagers by the Israeli army has long been considered a high point in Hebrew literature, as it has also given rise to fierce controversy over the years. Published just months after the end of the 1948 war.

Redeployment, by Phil Klay

Available: Kindle, Paperback, used

Phil Klay's *Redeployment* takes readers to the frontlines of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, asking us to understand what happened there, and what happened to the soldiers who returned. Interwoven with themes of brutality and faith, guilt and fear, helplessness and survival, the characters in these stories struggle to make meaning out of chaos.

Master and Man, by Leo Tolstoy

Available: Kindle, Paperback, used

In "Master and Man", Tolstoy depicts an employer, bent on closing a business deal, travelling with his servant through the swirling snow - little realizing how soon he may have to settle his accounts with his maker.

Please note: This is a 47 page short story and is included in the compilation: ***Master and Man and Other Stories***. It is available at Amazon.com for about \$4.00 + shipping.

The Goldfinch, by Donna Tartt

Available: Kindle, Paperback

Theo Decker, a 13-year-old New Yorker, miraculously survives an accident that kills his mother. Abandoned by his father, Theo is taken in by the family of a wealthy friend. Bewildered by his strange new home on Park Avenue, disturbed by schoolmates who don't know how to talk to him, and tormented above all by his longing for his mother, he clings to the one thing that reminds him of her: a small, mysteriously captivating painting that ultimately draws Theo into the underworld of art.

Katherine's Minestrone

- 2 T extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 medium carrots, peeled and diced
- 2 celery stalks, diced
- 1 large rutabaga, peeled & diced
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh rosemary
- 1 can (14.5 oz) diced tomatoes
- 1 1/2 cups cooked cannellini beans, drained and rinsed.
- 4 cups organic vegetable broth
- Piece of Parmesan cheese rind (optional – but highly recommended!)
- ½ pound green beans, trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces
- Small bunch of kale, stems removed and torn into bite-size pieces
- 1 ½ cups fresh or frozen peas
- 2 T fresh parsley leaves, chopped
- sea salt and freshly ground pepper
- Freshly grated Parmesan cheese, for serving



Directions

1. Heat oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add onion, carrots, celery, rutabaga, garlic, rosemary, 2 teaspoons sea salt and fresh pepper. Cook for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the onions are golden.
2. Add tomatoes and simmer for 5 minutes.
3. While simmering, add broth and Parmesan cheese rind (if using) to the pot. Turn the heat to high and bring to a boil. Stir in the green beans.
4. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook 15 minutes. Add cannellini beans, kale and peas. Simmer for 5 more minutes. Stir in parsley. Add more sea salt and pepper to taste. Spoon out and discard the cheese rind. Then serve with grated Parmesan and drizzle of olive oil.

Serves 6

REMEMBER TO MULTIPLY BY 8 FOR EChO RECIPE!

Pre-Teen Youth Group



Mark your calendar for March 22, Bible Lesson & Movie Night!!!

5 pm — meet at church

April 19 at 5 pm - Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser!

We welcome and encourage volunteers to help serve, donate items, etc.!!!

More information and time to follow.

May 3 at 4 pm — Mother's Day Jewelry Making and Bible Lesson!

We will make Mother's Day items and cards.

Lots of fun!

Stay tuned for more information!!!

July 6-10—Mission trip to Leadville, CO.

Let Fr. Michael know if you (youth or adults) are interested:

rector@church-transfig.net

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Wednesdays 8 am

Lakeshore Cafe





**The
Order
of the
Daughters
of the King**

Preparation classes for Daughters of the King are being held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 4:45 pm in the little chapel. If you are interested in DOK or would like to find out more information, please contact Floy Senior at 303-674-0757.

Vestry Report—February 23, 2015

- Time and Talent sheets have been tallied and parishioners will be contacted soon regarding their input*
- There will be a re-dedication of the Bell Tower*
- New church picture directory tentatively planned for October*

All parishioners are welcome to sit in on the open sessions of the Vestry meetings.



Announcements

 If you are interested in becoming an acolyte, please contact Holly Hall-Perry: hollyhall.perry@gmail.com for scheduling and Isobel Tuthton: sarahtutch@comcast.net and Father Michael: rector@church-transfig.net for training!



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Prayers

Anointing and Healing Prayers

Anointing and healing prayers are offered by Father Michael 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 March 29.

Morning Prayer Service

sponsored by the Daughters of the King and in fellowship with EDSE is offered on THURSDAY mornings at 9:30 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 March 9th and 23rd.



Evensong Services—Wednesday
evenings in Lent at 7 pm.

March 4, 11, 18, 25

Palm Sunday—March 29

8 am—Holy Eucharist

10:15 am—Holy Eucharist with Palm
Processional starting in Douglas Hall

Tenebrae—April 1

7 pm

Maundy Thursday—April 2

7 pm—Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing

Good Friday—April 3

Noon—Stations of the Cross

7 pm—Good Friday Liturgy

Easter Sunday—April 5

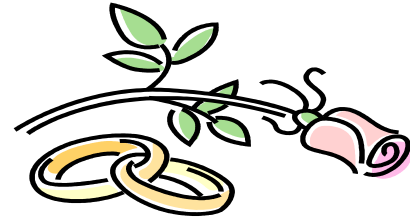
8 am—Holy Eucharist

10:15 am—Holy Eucharist

11:30 am—Easter Egg Hunt



Celebrate!!!



March Birthdays

Pat Work	3/2
Emil Gadeken	3/5
Robert Jacobsen	3/11
Neil Walden	3/11
Mary Haave	3/12
Mary Jean Bedard	3/13
Boone Losche	3/15
Don Snyder	3/15
Jon Carlson	3/23
Jerry Shrimpton	3/27
Bill Lathrop	3/30
Floy Senior	3/30
Sara Gadeken	3/31

March

Anniversaries

Dave McDonald and
Pat Magerkurth
March 18

Dick and Jane Wilson
March 19

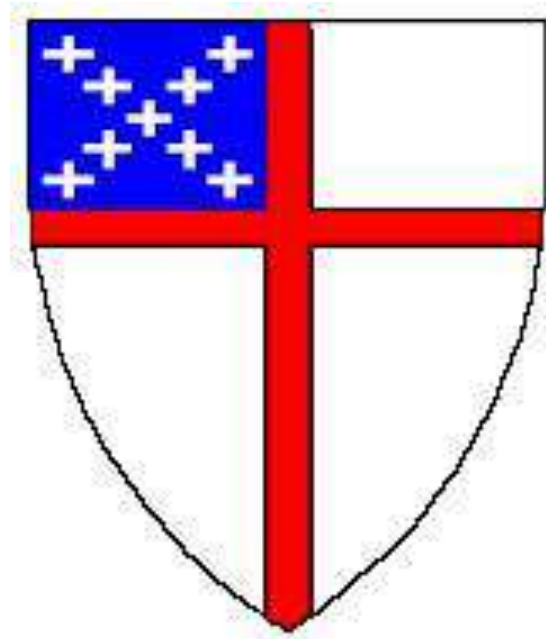
Bill and Barbara
Houston
March 26

March 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>8 Holy Eucharist</p> <p>10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>5:30 EDSE Board Mtg</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>1 Prayer Shawl</p> <p>7 Evensong</p> <p>7:30 pm AA</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>9:30 Morning Prayer</p> <p>7 Choir</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8 am AA</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist and Sunday School 4 S. Park Discernment</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>4:45 DOK Training</p> <p>5:30 pm Evening Prayer</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>6 Property Committee</p> <p>7 EChO Board Meeting</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>7 Evensong</p> <p>7:30 pm AA</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>9:30 Morning Prayer</p> <p>7 Choir</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8 am AA</p> <p>9:00 am Lectio Divina</p>
<p>15</p> <p>8 Holy Eucharist</p> <p>10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School</p> <p>4 Brass Quintet</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>5:30 Vestry</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>5:30 Friendship Bridge</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>7 Evensong</p> <p>7:30 pm AA</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p> <p>9:30 Morning Prayer</p> <p>7 Choir</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8 am AA</p> <p>8-1 Wedding and Rooms</p>
<p>22</p> <p>8 Holy Eucharist</p> <p>10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School</p> <p>4 S. Park Discernment</p> <p>5 Youth Group Movie Night</p>	<p>23</p> <p>4:45 DOK Training</p> <p>5:30 Evening Prayer</p> <p>6:30 Book Club</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7 Evensong</p> <p>7:30 pm AA</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:30 Morning Prayer</p> <p>7 Choir</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8 am AA</p>
<p>29</p> <p>8 Holy Eucharist</p> <p>10:15 Holy Eucharist with Palm Processional and Healing Prayers and Sunday School</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9-3 EDSE</p>	 <p>What Are You Giving Up?</p>		<p>Church</p> <p>Douglas Hall</p> <p>St. Mark's</p>	<p>Meadow Chapel</p> <p>Stewart Lounge</p>

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Newsletter Submissions

Please contact Stephanie Park 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 Park.
(see contact information to the left).

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

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