

"Let your light shine..."

The Holy Eucharist Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Celebrating Scout Sunday – Troops 1444B/1444G February 5, 2023 – 10:30 AM

Welcome to our celebration! We are truly blessed you are here!

WORSHIP LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE - SEE BACK PAGE





THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP & WELCOME

The people stand as they are able.

HYMN 579

Almighty Father, strong to save

The people sing Verses 1-3, followed by a special verse (3b) written for Scout Sunday (below), then Verse 4.

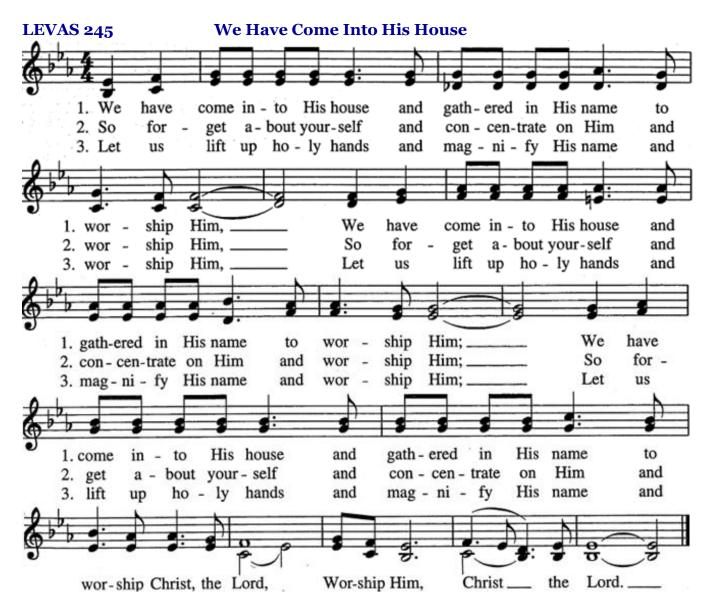


Verse 3b – Scout Sunday

Eternal God of sky and trees; please help our Scouts to grow in Thee. For Scouts on trail and mountain dared, guide their young hearts to be prepared. We pray, dear Lord, they'll trust in you; no matter where or what they do

OPENING SENTENCES

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.



THE COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The Lord be with you. Celebrant And also with you. People Celebrant Let us pray. Israel's jealous God, giver of love's law, in whom there is no blandness, no dullness of oppression; liberate us from all that numbs compassion to find in your commands light undimmed and flavor unrestrained; through Jesus Christ, fulfiller of the law.

People Amen.

The people are seated.

THE FIRST READING Isaiah 58:1-9a

A reading from the Book of Isaiah. Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God. People

PSALM 112:1-9

- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord * and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, * and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending * and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; * the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; * their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, * until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, * and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.

THE SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

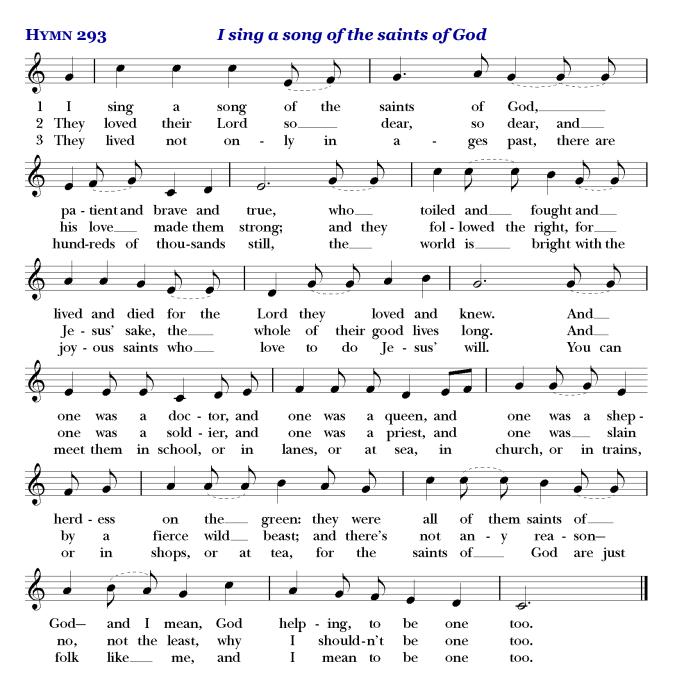
Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.**PeopleThanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.



THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:13-20

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Celebrant	The Gospel of our Savior.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY The Rev. Kent Marcoux

THE NICENE CREED

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

The prayer leader and **People** pray responsively.

Let us pray for scouts, for scout leaders and for all people. Because we have failed in the trust others have placed in us, we pray for forgiveness and for renewal. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For strength to be loyal to our calling in Baptism as His disciples in the world; Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For forgiveness when we saw the need to help and passed by, when we failed to ask if we could be helpful to a friend or a stranger; Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the spirit to be friendly to all people, including those who are unfriendly to us; Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For the gift of courtesy to all people but especially to the elderly, the handicapped and little children; Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For a heart that rejoices in being kind to people, to animals and to the earth on which we live; Lord in our mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the will to discipline ourselves to be obedient to the will of our God, and not to our selfish desires; Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For a cheerful spirit to see us through disappointing events in our lives, For a faith that believes God will bring some good even from events that cause us pain and sadness; Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For an appreciation that all that we have is the gift of our gracious God, For a mind and a heart that will be thrifty in managing the resources God has entrusted to our care; Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For the courage not to be afraid of doing what is right and to be brave in working for justice; Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the will to work to keep clean our minds, our hearts and our land; Lord in our mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For the gift of reverence for God who values all that He has created, For reverence for people, for animal life, for the earth and all its resources - all precious in God's sight; Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all the people and all the needs we bring before You in our prayers, trusting in Your mercy; through our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Celebrant invites other prayers, then prays a concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

Celebrant Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others, especially these Scouts gathered here today to express their faith; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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

PeopleMost 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 your Son 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.

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

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The people greet each other with a sign of God's peace and sing the following hymn.

HYMN

Let there be peace on earth

Let there be peace on earth	Let peace begin with me,
and let it begin with me;	let this be the moment now.
Let there be peace on earth,	With ev'ry step I take,
the peace that was meant to be,	let this be my solemn vow:
With God as creator,	To take each moment and live each moment
brothers and sisters are we,	in peace eternally
Let us walk with each other	Let there be peace on earth
in perfect harmony.	and let it begin with me!
in perfect harmony.	and let it begin with me!

The people are seated.

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION OF BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

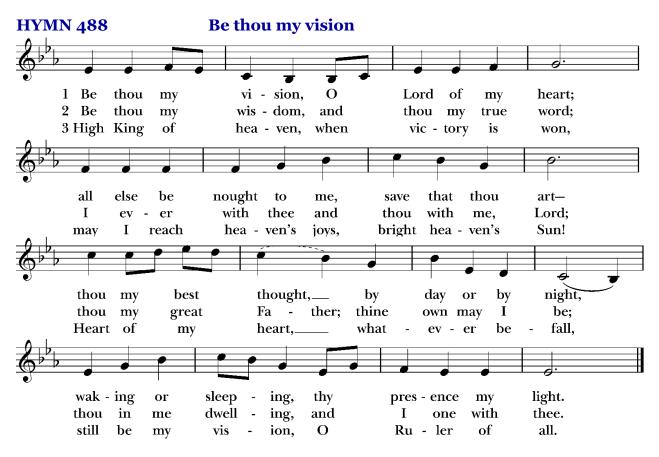
Today we are celebrating <u>you</u>, if you have a birthday, anniversary, or other special event coming up in the month of February! Please join us up front at this time!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

All are invited to make an offering to support our work of sharing God's love in the community and with the world. Please remember also our 2023 annual giving campaign – See, I Am Doing A New Thing!

CHOIR ANTHEM



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant	The Lord is here.
People	God's Spirit is with us.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image; male and female you created us.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. By his death on the cross, he made the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world and freed us from the bondage of sin. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; on the night before he died your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Glory to you, Lord Christ; your death we show forth; your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await; Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen. As Christ teaches us we pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.*People* We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

The people will come forward to receive communion packs that they bring back to their seats. **After the first communion hymn,** the Celebrant invites the communicants to receive the Bread and the Cup with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

The ushers will pick up the used communion containers during the second communion hymn.





3. love. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it from thy courts a - bove.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

PeopleEternal 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.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May the God who brings heaven close to earth give truth to our judgement and flame to our longing that our hearts might be ready to be born again in love; and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
People Amen!

The Church's one foundation **HYMN 525** The Church's one foun - da - tion Je - sus Christher Lord; 1 is 2 Ε lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth, _ 3 Though with а scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed, Mid tri - bu - la - tion, and tu-mult of her 4 toil and war 5Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One, 0 she 1 is his new a - tion by wa - ter and the word: cre 2 her char - ter of va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth; sal -3 by schi-sms rent sun - der, by her - e sies dis tressed; а 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er more: $\mathbf{5}$ mys - tic sweet com - mun-ion with those whose rest and is won. 1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride; 2 ho - lv Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly one food, 3 saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?" yet long-ing eyes are glo - rious her 4 till with the vi - sion blessed, $\mathbf{5}$ 0 hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we $\overline{\mathcal{D}}$ 1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died. 2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en dued. 3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song. 4 the great Church vic to - rious shall the Church at and be rest. low - ly, 5like them, the meek and on high may dwell with thee.

DISMISSAL

Leader	Alleluia! Alleluia! Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.
People	Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

The Holy Eucharist Fifth Sunday after Epiphany *Celebrating Scout Sunday* February 5, 2023 – 10:30 AM

WORSHIP LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE (*Troops 1444B/1444G)

*	Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Kent Marcoux
*	Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM)	Dave Stoddard
**	Acolyte	Hannah Magino*
*	Director of Music	Elton King
*	Vocalists	Transfiguration Parish Choir
*	Lector (First Lesson)	Alex Buffenbarger*
*	Psalmist	Alex Buffenbarger*
*	Lector (Second Lesson)	Donna Betteridge
**	Prayers of the People	Hannah Magino*
*	Altar Guild	JJ Boulin & Ruth Moore
*	Other Lay Ministers	the People of Transfiguration

LEADERS IN MINISTRY AT TRANSFIGURATION

*	Altar	Guild
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- ✤ Altar Guild Flowers
- Lectors & LEMs
- ✤ Ushers
- ✤ Audio/Visual
- Choir
- Episcopal Church Women (ECW)
- The Men's Group (TMG)
- Vestry & Treasurer

Karen Facen Gail Carter JJ Boulin Steve Van Albert Steve Van Albert Elton King, Director of Music Kellie Renich, President Craig Carter, President

Dave Stoddard & Ladi Grey-Coker, *Wardens* Gail Carter, Cheryl Lee Church, Gordon Linton, Charity Nakabuye, Rik Renich, Tom Stevens, Moses Talyowe, Casey Tesfaye, Martha Wolf; Kathy Berry, *Treasurer*



Thank you for joining us in worship today!

For more information, please see <u>www.transfig.org</u> or contact the Church Office at <u>church@transfig.org</u> or 301-384-6264

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sunday, February 5, 2023

TODAY at Transfiguration! – Thank you for joining us for worship today! Please join us for food and fellowship downstairs following the service, featuring our annual Scout Sunday & Chili Cook Off!

Sunday School – Our Sunday School classes are meeting today! See below for details.

Nursery Available – The nursery is available for childcare. You may go there directly or ask the ushers for directions. The nursery is downstairs next to the Parish Hall.

Our Prayer List – At this time we are praying for: Gloria, Emy, Beverly, Ida, Curtis, Tina, Marilyn, Dave, Bankole, John, Kathe, Toni, Rose & Roscoe, Olga, Linnet, Arthur, Lloyd, Lucille, Paulette, Karlyn, Ruth, Desmond, Joan, Noel, Olivia, Terri, Bill, Joyce, Ernest

*Please submit prayer requests at <u>transfig.org/prayer-request</u> or call the office at 301-384-6264. Note: the prayer list will be updated every two weeks. If you wish to continue praying for someone, you may submit another request online or call the office for an extension.

This Week at Transfiguration (new items highlighted)

Feb 5 (Sun)	Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	
		ay at the 10:30 service
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist – online via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist – In person/livestream
	Fellowship	: Scout Sunday & Great Chili Cook-off
Feb 8 (Wed)	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer & Bible – Library/Zoom
Feb 9 (Thu)	7:30 PM	Choir rehearsal – Community Building
Feb 10-11 (Fri	i-Sat)	<mark>Happening #16 – Claggett Center</mark> (Rev Kent on staff Fri-Sun)
Feb 12 (Sun)	Sixth Sund	ay after the Epiphany
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist – online via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer II – In person/livestream
	12:15 PM	Meeting: ECW – Library
Feb 15 (Wed)	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer & Bible – Chapel/Zoom
Feb 16 (Thu)	7:30 PM	Choir rehearsal – Community Building
Feb 19 (Sun)	Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany	
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist – online via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer II – In person/livestream
	12:15 PM	Meeting: TMG- Community Building
Feb 20 (Mon)		Presidents Day (US Holiday–office closed)
Feb 21 (Tue)	6:30 PM	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Feb 22 (Wed)		Ash Wednesday – Ashes to Go during day
	7:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
Feb 23 (Thu)	7:30 PM	Choir rehearsal – Community Building
Feb 26 (Sun)	Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany	
	9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist – online via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer II – In person/livestream
	12:15 PM	Meeting: Vestry – Community Building

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT TRANSFIGURATION

Our Sunday School is a time of fun, friends, and learning about God's love.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES 6-12 (10:30–11:15 AM)

Youth in <u>grades 6-12</u> are invited to join Sunday School <u>during the 10:30 am</u> <u>service</u>. At 10:30 go directly to your class, which gathers in the Community Building. You will join your family during the Announcements.

Teachers: Casey Tesfaye, David Boyd, Humphrey Magino

SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES K-5 / AGES 3-5 (12:00–12:45 PM)

Youth in <u>grades K-5</u> and <u>ages 3-5</u> are invited to join Sunday School <u>after the</u> <u>10:30 am service</u>. Come down to the Parish Hall – then join your class in the Community Building.

Teacher: Martha Wolf

PARISH CALENDAR ONLINE transfig.org/calendar/

Stay up to date by visiting our parish calendar on our website. Contact the church office to submit events for the calendar or with any questions. Thank you for helping us to stay current!