

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE COMMUNION TABLE

The Last Day after the Epiphany

February 15, 2026

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after each service to celebrate with coffee and snacks. Single-serve coffee makers and prepackaged snacks can be found in the kitchen and homemade treats or baked goods are always welcomed.
We ask your help in maintaining cleanliness and order.

Livestream the 10:00 am service using:

facebook.com/transfiguration.mesa
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The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration is an open and affirming Christian community in the Episcopal branch of the Jesus movement. We acknowledge the living culture of the *Salt River Pima and Maricopa people*, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the unique role they play in the life of this region.

As a Christian community, fellowship and prayer are among the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Please, observe quietude when entering and exiting the sanctuary for worship so that members may greet one another quietly and pray and light candles.
For those in need of and seeking silence for prayer and reflection, we are opening the **Parish House Chapel** before each service for prayer. The Chapel will be open at 7:30 am and at 9:30 am respectively. Please, observe silence when in the chapel so that this may be a space for those in need of silent prayer and contemplation.

Thought for the Week

"Church is who we are, not where we go"

Announcements

TODAY IS THE ECM (Episcopal Christian Men) BREAKFAST It will be after the early service and before the 10:00 a.m. service on February 15th and will be serving Bacon, eggs, and Pancakes. While a donation of $7.00 per person helps to support our efforts, **ALL** are welcome to attend.

SECRET SISTER REVEAL Our Secret Sisters will gather on **February 20th at 12:30 p.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall** for a joyful afternoon of fellowship and fun with a **Potluck Salad Bar Luncheon** that we will be sharing. Please contribute by bringing an item for the salad bar, a side dish, or a dessert. Kindly let **Jo Laslo** know what you plan to bring: **818-825-3007** or email: **Jfaith3844@aol.com.** Please include **"Secret Sister"** in the subject line. There will be a Gift Exchange so bring a gift for your Secret Sister. Put her name on the outside and add a clue about who you are and then reveal your identity inside the gift and see who can guess correctly—it's always such a delight. It will be a wonderful afternoon together!

We will be celebrating **ASH WEDNESDAY (February 18, 2026)** which marks the beginning of Lent. This is a simple, sacred moment to pause, reflect, and open our hearts to God's renewing grace. Join us as we begin this meaningful journey toward Easter.
Services are at 12:00 (noon) and 6:00 p.m.

TRANSFIGURATION MEN'S DAY RETREAT February 21, 2026 (Sat.)…8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.
A day of Fellowship, Bible study, Walking the Labyrinth, Crafts, and bonding…Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please bring your Bible if you have one.
Use the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to let us know you'll be there. If you decide at the last moment, that is fine, too. There is no charge to attend.

ALTAR FLOWERS If you'd like to donate altar flowers, please sign up on the flower sheet posted **on the wall in the Narthex. Ruby Seyffert (*rubyseyf521@gmail.com)* will then reach out to you** regarding any special requests.

Today's altar flowers are donated by Ruby Seyffert in memory of her daughter, Nanci's birthday.

BIBLE STUDY AND COFFEE HOUR is on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. They will be studying is: ***"The Way of a Pilgrim: Candid Tales of a Wanderer to His Spiritual Father" by: Anna Zaranko Books will be available for purchase for $15.00 each.***

WALKLING ON TUESDAYS will gather in the parking lot behind the Apache Junction Library located at 1177 N. Idaho Road Apache Junction 85119. The dirt trails are fairly level and wander through the desert landscape with a great view of the Superstition Mountains for approximately an hour. Sturdy walking shoes and a bottle of water are recommended. Contact Lynn Graff if you have any questions. 480-201-2939

THE LORD'S SOUP KITCHEN prepared delicious **pasta fagioli** that is in the Fellowship Hall freezer. Their heartfelt efforts continue to make a positive difference in the community, one delicious bowl of soup at a time. Anyone wanting to volunteer for this ministry. Please call: Miriam **Waddington**: ***559-707-5810***

$487.00 was collected for **Camp Genesis at Chapel Rock** which focuses on the special needs of children (ages 8-17) living under the stigma of having an incarcerated immediate family member. This special camp allows them to just be kids among other kids who understand what they are going through. March's **SECOND PLATE** collection is: **Jose's Closet**. A program that offers foster and adoptive parents a place where they can obtain clothes and other items for their children. It also offers a place where foster and adoptive parents can exchange clothes, cribs, strollers, toys or other equipment.

2026 EPISCOPAL CHURCH CALENDARS and **ONLY LARGE PRINT FORWARD DAY BY DAY for February, March, April** are available in the Narthex. We would appreciate a $3 donation to help offset the cost.

WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER is at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom**.** Meeting ID: 740-940-1419
(NO WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER ON ASH WEDNESDAY)
COMPLINE services will continue to be held indefinitely on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (Zoom) Passcode: 514514. Contact **Barbara Press**: 847-651-1396
(NO COMPLINE ON ASH WEDNESDAY)

THURSDAY MORNING EUCHARIST is held in the Parish House Chapel on Thursday mornings at 11:45 a.m. (after Bible Study)

FOOD BANK suggestions for next week: boxed cereals and crackers. Please place items in the basket either in the Fellowship Hall or a basket marked **Food Bank Donations** at the back of the church. **73 lbs.** of food goods were donated in January. Thank you, Lynn and Laura!!

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED We are seeking dedicated individuals to join the Altar Guild. Members play a vital role in setting the altar table with holy sacraments and preparing the worship space. If you're interested in serving in this meaningful ministry, please contact **Barbara Press for more information at:** *847-651-1396* or *barbarapress02@gmail.com*

THE BOOK CLUB discussion will next be held on Friday, February 20, 2026 (ZOOM)
February's book is: ***"Lily and the Octopus"*** *by* ***Steven Rowley***
Discussion will be led by: Dea Podhajsky
Synopsis: a poignant novel that explores the deep bond between a man and his beloved dachshund, Lily, as they confront the challenges of illness and loss.

THE STITCHERY MINISTRY will meet on the **Second** and **Fourth Thursdays** in February in the Parish House Living Room. Please join them with your special talents of knitting, crocheting, sewing, quilting, any needlecraft. The ministry donates items to hospitals, nursing homes, shelters or other charitable organizations and crochets scarves for teddy bears**.**
Contact **Linda Jo Johnson** at: ***lindajoj3@gmail.com***

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF OUR CHURCH BUILDING-CALLING FOR ALL PHOTOS

As we prepare to celebrate the 25th anniversary of our church building next year, we are creating a digital photo album to capture its history. We are especially looking for photos from the construction phase and any renovations or improvements since. If you have relevant photos or documents, please email them to **Thomas Blum** at ***strod1966@gmail.com***.
Your contributions will help make this celebration truly special!

UPCOMING DATES

Feb. 15th (Sun.) **ECM** (Episcopal Christian Men) breakfast after the early service and before the 10:00 a.m. service (Fellowship Hall)
Feb. 17th (Tues.) **ECM (Episcopal Christian Men)** meeting at 5:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
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Feb. 21st (Sat.) **TRANSFIGURATION MEN'S DAY RETREAT** 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

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