

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2026

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE COMMUNION TABLE

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

"Be the reason someone smiles today"



Announcements

We are grateful to share that we have already received $10, 300 toward the match campaign.

A FAMILY IN NEED… We have a local family facing a difficult season, and we're asking our parish community to help if you're able. Even a small contribution can make a meaningful difference as we work together to support them with care and dignity. If you feel called to give, please reach out to the church office or mark your donation **"Family Assistance."**
Thank you for embodying Christ's love in action

BRINTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COLLECTION: THANK YOU for your generous support of the **Brinton Elementary School** Collection. Every item you donate—whether it's pens, backpacks, paper, or classroom essentials—directly supports teachers who often purchase supplies out of their own pockets. Your kindness helps create a stronger, more supportive learning environment for the students and staff.

A special thank-you to Chairman Jane Stoneback for her dedicated leadership…

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 honor of the faithful members of the **Church of the Transfiguration** and in recognition of their ongoing care and commitment to our church community. We give thanks for Ruby's generosity and for all who continue to support and strengthen the life of our parish.*

THE LORD'S SOUP KITCHEN has made **potato, ham & cheese soup.** There is still **chicken noodle soup** in the Fellowship Hall refrigerator. Their faithful hands continue to lift the spirits of our community, sharing comfort, kindness, and a warm bowl of soup with every visit.
If you feel called to be part of this ministry, please reach out to: **Miriam Waddington** at **559-707-5810**. **The Lord's Soup Ministry will not meet in August.**

BIBLE STUDY AND COFFEE HOUR are on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. They are currently studying **ACTS**…

August's **SECOND SUNDAY PLATE** is **Brinton Elementary** which earned an A rating from the Arizona Department of Education for the 2024–25 school year — a strong indicator of academic growth and school quality. We collected: ???

FOOD BANK suggestions for next week: canned fruits, puddings, gelatin.
Please place items in the basket either in the Fellowship Hall or a basket marked **Food Bank Donations** in the Narthex. **35 lbs.** of food goods were donated in July.
Thank you, Christine Farrell and Pam Paul!!

THE BOOK CLUB for September 18th (Fri.) is: "The Light Pirate" by Lilly Brooks Dalton.
Discussion led by: Terri Heller. (ZOOM)
Synopsis: Set in the near future, this hopeful story of survival and resilience follows Wanda—a luminous child born out of a devastating hurricane—as she navigates a rapidly changing world.

COMPLINE services will continue to be held indefinitely on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER is at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom**.** Meeting ID: 740-940-1419 Passcode: 514514. Contact **Barbara Press**: 847-651-1396.

2026 EPISCOPAL CHURCH CALENDARS and **FORWARD DAY BY DAY for: August, September, October** are available in Regular and **LARGE** print in the Narthex.
A small donation to help offset the cost is appreciated.

THE STITCHERY MINISTRY meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. 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***

Calling All Helping Hands for the Church Kitchen! We're looking for volunteers to help with setup, serving, and cleanup. No experience needed—just a willing heart and a smile. If you're able, please **bring a dish to share** as well. To volunteer, contact the office at ***480-986-1145*** or ***officetransfig@gmail.com***

Pledging and financial gifts to the Church of The Transfiguration can be madusing **ZELLE** ***(officetransfig@gmail.com)*** or use the QR code for credit card gifts.
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UPCOMING DATES

Aug. 20th (Thurs.) **BIBLE STUDY AND COFFEE HOUR** 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Studying **ACTS.**
Aug. 27th (Thurs.) **STITCHERY MINISTRY** 1:00 p.m. (Parish House Livingroom)
SEPTEMBER 5, 2026 (Saturday) The wedding of Father Caleb and Frankie Tenebrae 1:00 p.m. (Rectory)

VESTRY will resume meeting on Tuesday, September 8TH at 4:30 p.m. (Parish House Livingroom)
TREKKING ON TUESDAYS will meet again in the fall.

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If you are unable to attend the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, you can join us on:
***Livestream* at 10:00 a.m. using:**
facebook.com/transfiguration.mesa or
youtube.com/@transfigoffice7704/streams

Music for August 16, 2026

PROCESSIONAL: ***H 232 "By All Your Saints"***
(vs 2 in Hymnal for August 16 Saint Mary the Virgin)

S 280 "Glory to God" (pg.2 Order of Worship)

GOSPEL: ***L 115 "Spirit of the Living God"***

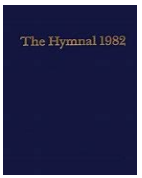
OFFERTORY ***L 189 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"***

Doxology (pg. 6 Order of Worship)

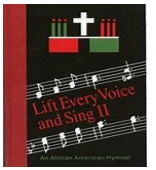
S 130 "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" (pg. 7 OOW)

COMMUNION: ***H 673 "The First One Ever"***

RECESSIONAL: ***L 136 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"***



****H Hymnal***



****L Levas (Lift Every Voice & Sing II)***

****S Service Music (Hymnal or Order of Wor***

ALL ARE WELCOME to receive God's blessing at Holy Communion.

To receive communion, please come to the Altar Rail. Non-alcoholic wine and gluten-free wafers are also available. If you are unable to come forward to receive, let an usher know, and the priest will bring communion to you. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms across your chest at the Altar