

TRANSFORMATION Anglican Church

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TAC Times – August 2018



Back to School

As most of our private and public schools start a new school year during the month of August, we remind you to watch out for children, especially near schools and intersections. Also, we ask that you pray for safety in our schools, and for enriching years for our teachers and our students:



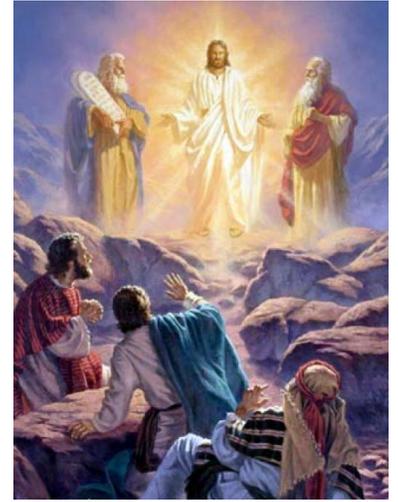
A Collect for Education

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom: Enlighten by your Holy Spirit those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship you and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Transfiguration

The Holy Day of The Transfiguration is a pivotal day with **tremendous significance to the Church**. The Transfiguration not only supports the identity of Jesus as the Son of God, but the statement "listen to him", identifies him as **the messenger and mouth-piece of God**. The significance of this identification is enhanced by the presence of Elijah and Moses, for it indicated to the apostles that Jesus is the voice of God "par excellence", and that he should be listened to as the Law and the Prophets must give way to Jesus. The One who is the new and living way is replacing the old – He is the

fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets. Also, in His glorified form they saw a **preview of His coming glorification and enthronement as King of kings and Lord of lords**. God assigns to Jesus a special "honor and glory" and it is the turning point at which God exalts Jesus above all other powers in creation, and positions him as ruler and judge. The Transfiguration also echoes the teaching by Jesus that **God is not "the God of the dead, but of the living"**. Although Moses had died and Elijah had been taken up to heaven centuries before, they now live in the presence of the Son of God, revealing that the same return to life can apply to all who face death and have faith.



The theology of the transfiguration received the attention of the church fathers since the very early days. The feast day has been acknowledged in various forms since the 9th century, and in the Western church was made a universal feast on August 6 by Pope Callixtus III to memorialize the lifting of the Siege of Belgrade, 1456. In some liturgical calendars, such as the Lutheran and United Methodist, the last Sunday in the Epiphany season is devoted to this event, as a prelude to Lent.

Transformation Anglican Church typically follows the latter option. This allows us to anticipate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we approach Ash Wednesday and a season of preparation and penitence. This year, however, we will be using the Collect for Transfiguration as the closing for the Prayers of the People on Sunday, August 5th. This is because we are commemorating the 100th anniversary of



the death of 20-year-old 2nd Lieutenant John Gordon Mair of the Royal Engineers, who was killed on August 5, 1918. Our stained glass window was commissioned by John's father and was first located in West Avenue Presbyterian Church in Newcastle-on-Tyne, Northumberland, United Kingdom where the family lived. The dedication inscription reads: "Erected by James Mair to the Memory of his beloved son John Gordon Mair, Lieutenant, Royal Engineers, who was killed in the

Great War, August 1918". John's father chose the Transfiguration as the theme for this memorial to his son because his death fell so close to the date of his faith's celebration of the feast. We are thankful for this life given in service, and we remember this family who provided this incredible gift that we now enjoy.

The old church is now Loch Fyne Seafood and Grill. The triple windows on the left rear of the building are possibly where our panels were originally.



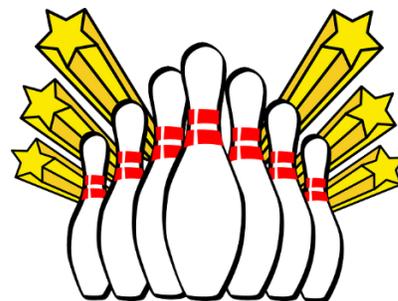


The TAC Handymen

We have a **new ministry** at our church! The TAC Handymen meet at **8:00 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month** for a **fellowship breakfast, Bible study**, and time giving **attention to some of our minor building projects**. These faithful workers are led by **Hal Meeder**. We are grateful for this willingness to serve. Please join them when you can. The August dates are 8/9 and 8/23!

TAC Children's Ministry Bowling Extravaganza

When: Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.
Where: Rowlett Bowl-A-Rama
5021 Lakeview Parkway, Rowlett, TX, 75088
972-475-7080
What: 1½ hours bowling, shoe rental, pizza, and soda for \$5/person



We look forward to a wonderful time with our TAC children! We ask that at least one adult from each family plan to stay with your child(ren), and join in the bowling fun if you wish. Please RSVP to Anne at anne@transformationac.org or Cheryl at hackendorf@yahoo.com.

TAC Concert Series

Our final concert will offer **Swing Music** on **Saturday, August 18th from 6 – 8 p.m.** In case you are not familiar with this musical genre, here's a definition: "Swing music, or

simply swing, is a form of popular music developed in the United States that dominated in the 1930s and 1940s. The name swing came from the 'swing feel' where the emphasis is on the off-beat or weaker pulse in the music." This delightful evening will be provided by the original **Classic Swing Band** which features the

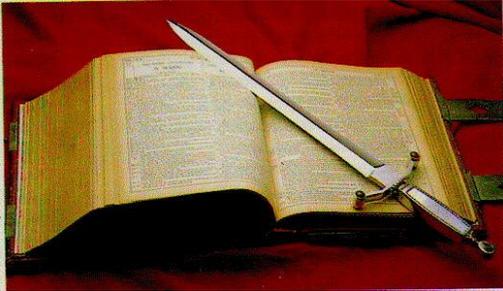


fabulous vocal styling of Eddie Irving, lead singer for the group; the multi-horn "chops" of Tom Lepper (band leader); the keyboard skills of Randy Wills (music director); Greg Williams on bass; and Mike Kinnard on drums/percussion. **Nursery/Preschool Child Care will be available. Light refreshments will be provided.**

The Return of the Saturday Sisters

TAC's Saturday Women's Discussion Group (AKA: The Saturday Sisters) will resume meeting on **August 25, from 10-11:30 am in the parish hall**. We will be working on *The Invisible War: What Every Believer Needs to Know About Satan, Demons, and Spiritual Warfare* by Pastor Chip Ingram. One of Napoleon's maxims was, "Know your enemy", a truth that is essential in the invisible war that every Christian is part of,

whether we know it or not. Additionally, we need to know who we are in Christ and who He is in us. Pastor Ingram opens the Scripture on these topics and more in this 8-part video study that will take us further down the road of victorious faith. So whether you're a seasoned warrior or just wondering what spiritual warfare is all about, this study is for you! The class can be done with only the video presentations, group



discussion and the workbook, which will be available for purchase at the first class (cost is \$7.20). To dig deeper, you may purchase the book by the same name from www.christianbook.com (best price), Amazon or Mardel Bookstore. Bring your Bible, a notebook, a pen, and a highlighter, and join us as we learn more about walking "in strength of the Lord and the power of His might".

Alpha at Transformation Anglican Church

We will be offering the first Alpha course in our new building in September! **What is Alpha?** Alpha is a **series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith**. This life-changing event is for anyone who has a question about God, faith, or life. No question is out of bounds, and people are free to discuss as much or as little as they wish.



Alpha runs for 10 weeks with the option of a weekend event in the middle. **Each evening starts with a meal, followed by a short talk and discussion time** where you can share your thoughts. There's no pressure, no follow up and **no charge**. These sessions will be held on **Tuesday evenings beginning on September 11th at 6:30 p.m.** **Nursery/preschool child care will be provided** for our little ones with **Alpha classes for children 5 years of age – 6th grade**.

To kick-off our fall Alpha, we will be hosting a luncheon on August 26th following our worship service for those who'd like to see what it's all about. This is an excellent time to invite people – friends, family, co-workers – who may be searching for answers and/or a church home. The introductory luncheon will give them a glimpse of Alpha in a no-pressure setting. We have Alpha brochures with a registration section available in the entry area for sharing with others.

Try Alpha

To sign-up, please visit the Alpha table in the entry area on Sundays. You can also register on the TAC website: www.transformationac.org .



Israel Trip

In **June of 2019**, TAC will host a **pilgrimage to the Holy Land** under the spiritual direction of Fr. Don McLane. There are still openings for this trip, and still time to register and make your first payment. Information is available on the Ushers' Table in the Narthex and from the office staff.

Life in Haiti and our Fall Trip to St. Jean Baptiste School, Haiti

from Susan Meeder

Life in Haiti is difficult! This is the reality for the 77% of the population living in poverty and especially for the 60% who live on \$2 or less a day. There is not enough space on this page to touch on the many causes, except to say, much of the abysmal conditions are inflicted by humans and compounded by multiple natural disasters. For the most part, the recent riots in the capital city were to protest government-imposed fuel price increases.



Unfortunately, protesting in the streets is one of the only ways that the poor can make themselves heard.

Over the last eleven years of our twice-yearly visits to our partner primary school in rural southwestern Haiti, we have seen the resiliency and perseverance of the beautiful Haitian people time and again. They love and trust the Lord in everything. Please pray for the government to truly serve the people and implement programs to improve their living conditions and have food for their families. Our mighty God alone can bring about this transformation!

We are hopeful that we will be able to visit the school in November. Possible team activities include painting the classroom building, health assessments, etc. The options are varied, and activities depend in large part on the makeup of the team. Pray! Prep! Pack & Go! These are a few ways to get involved with this ministry that *educates* 275 primary and pre-school students AND *feeds* them plus the 7th – 12th grade students for a total of 500 meals each school day!

THE TEAM STAYS IN A GUESTHOUSE WITH RELIABLE ELECTRICITY, GOOD FOOD, HOT WATER AND EVEN A/C! TENTATIVE TRIP DATES ARE NOVEMBER 9 – 17. FOR TRIP DETAILS AND COSTS, WAYS TO HELP THE TEAM PREPARE, AND PRAYER REQUESTS, PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL SUSAN MEEDER AT SMEEDER@GMAIL.COM OR [913.486.6880](tel:913.486.6880).

EDUCATION GIVES HOPE – EDUCATION IN A CHRISTIAN SETTING BRINGS REAL HOPE!

Is God calling you to get involved with this ministry? *No matter what your skills – God can use your willing heart for His Kingdom work in Haiti!*

Order of St. Luke

by Sharon Parker

The Order of St. Luke the Physician is an inter-denominational, international ministry for healing of body, mind, and spirit.

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth. Psalm 47:1-2

The passage below is from “**GOD CALLING**”, one of my favorite meditation books. I hope it makes you more aware of our Lord, Jesus in the beauty of His creation.



“Draw Beauty from every flower and Joy from the song of the birds and the color of the flowers. I am with you. When I wanted to express a beautiful thought, I made a lovely flower. When I want to express to man what I am—what My Father is—I strive to make a very beautiful character.

Think of yourselves as My expression of attributes, as a lovely flower in My expression of thought, and you will strive in all, in Spiritual beauty, in Thought power, in Health, in clothing, to be as fit an expression for Me as you can.

Absorb Beauty. As soon as the beauty of a flower or a tree is impressed upon your soul it leaves an image there which reflects through your actions. Remember that no thought of sin and suffering, of the approaching scorn and Crucifixion, ever prevented My seeing the beauty of the flowers.

Look for Beauty and Joy in the world around, Look at a flower until its beauty becomes part of your very soul. It will be given back to the world again by you in the form of a smile or a loving word.

Listen to a bird. Take the song as a message from My Father. Let it sink into your soul. That too will be given back to the world in ways I have said. Laugh more, laugh often. Love more. I am with you. I am your Lord.”

The Order of St. Luke is at your service whenever you need prayer; for yourself or family/friend. To request prayer, speak to one of the team members in the prayer room after you take communion. Or you can email me at shparker@swbell.net or call me at 972-524-9382, and we will put your request on the email prayer chain and send it out to all the OSL team if you like so that they can be praying for you. These requests are kept confidential, so you don't have to worry about your need being discussed with others.

OSL meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month, in the parish hall at Transformation. We start at 10:00 with a pot luck brunch and then have a teaching and meeting. Our next meeting is **August 18**. Please feel free to join us then whether you are in OSL or just seeking information. Maybe you need prayer; we can provide that for you at that time, also. You are always welcomed.

Austin Street Center Ministry News

by Sharon Parker

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them – the Lord, who remains faithful forever. He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

Psalm 146: 5-7



You will agree, I know, it has been terribly hot these last few weeks. Thank the Lord that we have air-conditioned houses, cars, offices and places of entertainment. Have

you thought how the homeless get out of the heat to avoid heat stroke or heart attack? If they are lucky, perhaps 430 of them can get a place to sleep at Austin Street Center or a similar shelter. We know that at ASC they will be fed an evening meal and perhaps have a left over sandwich or boiled egg and a granola bar when they have to leave the shelter at 6:00 am. Hopefully, they will find a cooler spot to stay during the horrible heat of the day. We can't do everything for poor, but we feel we can help some of them when we go to feed them four times a year. We know this pleases the Lord. And feed them, we will on **Wednesday, August 29**. This will require about \$2.50 each for the clients there. Transformation provides \$400.00 and it is up to the rest of us to contribute cash to pay for the rest of it. That is why we ask the "Cupcake Bakers" and the "Egg Boilers" to do the wonderful things they do each time. Then we still need money to buy bread, pickles, potato chips, and juice. Milk is graciously provided by Tom Thumb. We make 800 plus sandwiches of ham and cheese, ham salad, turkey and cheese, tuna salad, chicken salad and even peanut butter and jelly. **We would love to have some of you come to the church parish hall around 2:30 or 3:00 on the 29th to help assemble the sandwiches and package the boiled eggs. At 5:00 we load everything into vans and or cars and travel to Dallas to the Austin Street Center on Hickory. By 7:30 we are on our way home.** This is a big blessing not only to the people at ASC, but to us as well. Can you help with your time, talent, or contributions? If so, please see Susan Maupin, Sue Griffin or me, Sharon Parker, at church or call us. Our numbers are in the TAC Phone Directory which you can pick up at church if you don't already have one. Thank you and God Bless You.

Below are 4 more of the "Myths about the Homeless" which was published in the Austin Street Newsletter in June:

MYTH #4: HOMELESSNESS IS ALWAYS RELATED TO MENTAL ILLNESS.

In fact, many people begin to struggle with mental health or experience increased symptoms AFTER they become homeless. Serious mental illnesses are more prevalent among the homeless: about one in four sheltered homeless people suffered from a severe mental illness in 2010, compared to 5 percent of US adults, according to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). About 44% of Austin Street Clients say they struggle with mental health, but lack of affordable housing, unemployment, and poverty are the top three causes of homelessness (according to a 2014 survey from the US Conference of Mayors)

MYTH #5: MOST HOMELESS PEOPLE ARE ADDICTED TO DRUGS & ALCOHOL.

Roughly one-third of sheltered homeless adults had chronic substance use issues in 2010, according to the SAMHSA. Certainly, addiction and homelessness intersect—but they are not the same issue and should be treated independently of one another. Not every addict is without a home, and not every homeless person is in need of addiction treatment.

MYTH #6: HOMELESSNESS IS ONLY A PROBLEM IN BIG CITIES.

Nearly 46% of homeless people lived in a major city in 2014, according to HUD's survey. The rest lived in smaller cities, suburbs, or rural areas. Homelessness is something that every community faces. The answer is not to send folks elsewhere, but to create solutions everywhere.

MYTH #7: HOMELESS PEOPLE LIVE IN THE STREETS.

About 69% of homeless Americans lived in shelters in 2014, according to HUD's survey – Dallas is similar with about 1,300 on the streets and about 3,000 in shelter or transitional housing according to the 2018 Point in Time count. At least 30% of unsheltered homeless in Seattle residents live in vehicles, according to the Vehicle Residency Research Program. Truth is, the people you see on the streets represent a minority of those experiencing homelessness.

August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	3	4 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship B – Pat Thorogood
5 10:30 a.m. Worship	6	7 A – Clay & Rose Marie Henry	8 A – Bob & Terri Thompson	9 8:00 a.m. TAC Handymen (Bible Study & Work Crew) 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship B – Helen Flanders	10 B – Mona Dolly	11 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship B – Grace Mathews A – Mike & Anne Horan
12 10:30 a.m. Worship B – Linda Tomlinson	13 B – Tom Ryan	14	15 A – John & Barbara Shaver	16 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	17 B – Don Brooks and Malachi Hammon	18 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Order of St. Luke 6 – 8 p.m. Concert Series – Swing B – Jimmy Seay
19 10:30 a.m. Worship B – Wanda Ayersman	20	21 B – Melody Carr and Christy Hopkins	22	23 8:00 a.m. TAC Handymen (Bible Study & Work Crew) 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	24 B – Evie Hammon	25 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Saturday Sisters (Bible Study) B – Alice McDonald
26 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:45 a.m. Intro. to Alpha Luncheon	27	28 B – Sharon Figueroa	29 3:00 p.m. Austin Street Center Ministry	30 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	31	

August 5, 2018

PROPER S

OT Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 78:1-13
NT Revelation 2:12-17
Gospel John 6:24-35

LAY SERVERS

Capt/OT/CB.....Christy Hopkins
PP/CB.....Myra Lenoir
NT/CB.....Mary Kadane
PS/CB.....Jimmy Seay

ACOLYTES

AA1.....Daniel Mathews
AA2.....June Hines

PRAYER MINISTRY

Bill Thorogood Linda Celaya
Daymon Schulgen* Ginny Ryan
Sharon Barnett Mona Dolly

USHERS

Will Parker Jim Watt

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

Greeters.....Mickey & Val Atkins
Guest Hosts.....Larry & Susan Maupin

TELLER TEAM

Tom Ryan Hilda Blevins

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Betty Spillman Sue Orite

NURSERY ASSISTANCE

Sarah Luthans, Sharon Figueroa, June Hines

August 12, 2018

PROPER S

OT 1 Kings 19:4-8
Psalm 130
NT Revelation 2:18-29
Gospel John 6:37-51

LAY SERVERS

Capt/PP/CB Bill Thorogood
PS/CB Ed Prochaska
OT/CB Don Newman
NT/CB Don Lennert
Assist.....Larry Ellis

ACOLYTES

AA1.....Pete Howk
AA2.....Aaron Mitchell

PRAYER MINISTRY

Sharon Parker* Linda Palmer
Sue Griffin JoAnn Craddock
Tom Ryan Alice McDonald

USHERS

Ed Figueroa Nathan Figueroa
John Shaver Barbara Shaver

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Greeters.....Mona Dolly & Lou Ann McNeely
Guest Hosts.....Susan Meeder

TELLER TEAM

Rick Maneval Sharon Figueroa

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Sara Maneval & Christy Hopkins

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Sarah Luthans, Susan Maupin, Grace Potter

August 19, 2018

PROPER S

OT Proverbs 9:1-6
Psalm 147
NT Revelation 3:1-6
Gospel John 6:53-59

LAY SERVERS

Capt/OT/CB Hal Hines
PS.....Mike Jones
NT/CB..... Marianne Gwinn
PP/CB.....Mary Frank
CB.....TBD

ACOLYTES

AA1.....June Hines
AA2.....Trey Gwinn

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Larry Maupin* Susan Maupin
Shirley Montanye Holly Lawler
Sue Orite Mary Kadane

USHERS

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Guest Hosts.....Susan Meeder

TELLER TEAM

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LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

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NURSERY ASSISTANCE

Sarah Luthans, Barbara Shaver

August 26, 2018

PROPER S

OT Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18
Psalm 16
NT Revelation 3:7-13
Gospel John 6:60-69

LAY SERVERS

Capt/CB Sara Maneval
PP..... Sharon Barnett
PS..... Nathan Figueroa
CB Jim Messler
NT/CB.....Richard Ritz
OT/CB.....Mark Dillow
Assist.....Aaron Mitchell

ACOLYTES

AA1.....Nathan Figueroa
AA2.....Pete Howk
Assist.....Larry Ellis

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Donna Miller Jeannie Filson
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