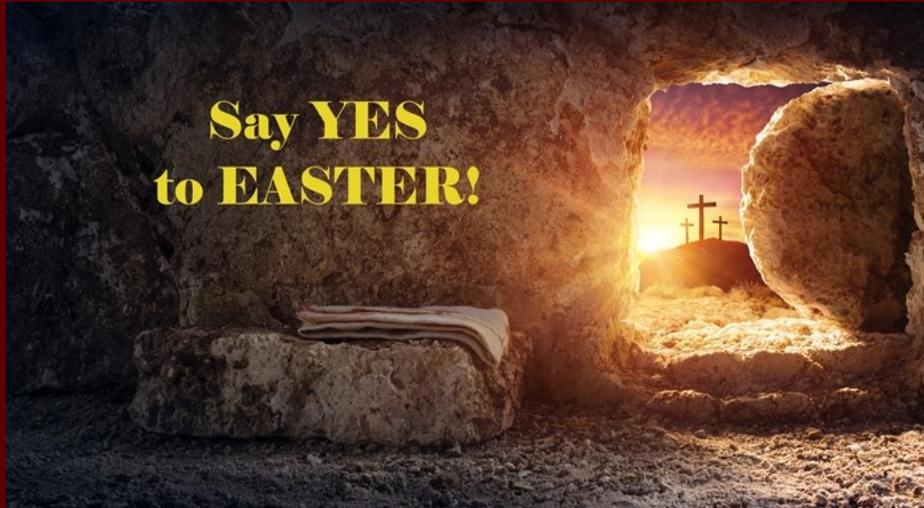


CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

TOGETHER DESPITE THE MILES
Easter Week

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**Say YES
to EASTER!**

*Saying yes is the invitation to do "our best even when we feel shaky. Standing our ground in darkness, believing the light will return."
Melanie Weidner, Listen for Joy*

What a message for us in the midst of a global pandemic. Last week we were invited to stand our ground in darkness...the darkness as we prayed with Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane...the darkness as we prayed for those who are separated from their beloved in sickness and death...the darkness of the cross of Good Friday...the darkness of living in the anxiety of the unknown future. It is okay to feel shaky...we all feel shaky!

Yet even in our shakiness, even as we stand our ground in darkness, we have the power through Christ to shout YES! Yes! Jesus has overcome death! Yes! Christ is risen! Yes! We are an Easter People! Yes! As an Easter people, we see examples of people rising throughout the world bringing life through acts of compassion, kindness and love!

My friends, we are not alone, Christ is with us at this time and all times. May we joyfully shout a loud EASTER YES! Alleluia! ALLELUIA!

Transfiguration persevering in the face on COVID-19

The Lighter Side

A parishioner was in front of me coming out of church one day, and the preacher was standing at the door as he always is to shake hands. He grabbed the parishioner by the hand and pulled him aside. The Pastor said to him, "You need to join the Army of the Lord!" The parishioner replied, "I'm already in the Army of the Lord, Pastor." Pastor questioned, "How come I don't see you except at Christmas and Easter?" He whispered back, "I'm in the secret service."

VESTRY UPDATES

The Diocese is asking all churches to have 90 day contingency plans in place. The Vestry has been working over the last few weeks to ensure our financial stability and will be meeting with Diocese to firm up plans.

Our Food Closet is open! Following both the Governor and the Diocese our volunteers are wearing masks and gloves.

Please remember to send in your pledges and other contribution...and soon you will be able to support us on line!

Remember if you are bored and are looking for ways to volunteer or if you need help (like grocery shopping) please call the church 461-3142 or fill out the form on our website. www.churchofthetransfigurationri.org

DID YOU KNOW?

Every year Easter falls on a different day, and you can blame the moon for that. Christ's death coincides with the Jewish Passover, which is celebrated during the first full moon after the vernal equinox, better known as the first day of spring. The rule was set for the Christian church by the Council of Nicaea, stating that Easter would be held on the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the vernal equinox.



WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

Join us Sundays at 10:00am

04/19 Easter Lessons and Carols...see the stories come "alive" and listen to Easter music.

04/23 7pm Join us for a guided "tour"...an Ignatian meditation on one of the Easter stories...and of course a "spirited" conversation follows!

