Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Thirty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, January 29, 2017

Sunday of Zacchaeus

New Martyrs of Russia, St. Ignatius of Antioch

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Welcome! We are honored that you have joined us in our celebration of the Lord's resurrection this day.

If you are a first time visitor to our parish, we invite you to sign our guest book. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Marty, or with any parish member.

For our friends present with us who are not Orthodox Christians, please note that we have specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion. We ask that you refrain from going to Communion until you have spoken with Fr. Marty and understand our discipline and piety regarding this sacrament and its implication for responsibility towards and membership in the Orthodox Church. The bread and wine offered after communion and the bread offered at the end of the service is available to all.

If you are an Orthodox Christian from another parish who has prepared in accordance with your discipline, and have a blessing from your home priest to do so, we invite and encourage you to partake of Holy Communion.

This booklet contains the variable hymns and readings specific to today. Please feel free to take it with you. There are coil-bound booklets with the text for the Divine Liturgy – if you find it useful, please feel free to take one of those as well, with our compliments.

We also hope you will stay and join us in our coffee and fellowship hour, which immediately follows the service. We want the opportunity to get to know you, and for you to get to know us. Again, welcome!

Regular services:

Great Vespers, *Saturday at 6:30pm*

Confession, *immediately following Great Vespers, other times by appointment.*

Third and Sixth Hour Prayers, *Sunday at 9:40am*

Divine Liturgy, *immediately following the hours.*

Music Rehearsals, *Saturday at 6:00pm*

621 Kellogg Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010

(corner of 7th and Kellogg)

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 7
By Your Cross You destroyed death.
To the thief You opened Paradise.
For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy.
And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God,
to proclaim that You are risen,//
granting the world great mercy.

Troparion for the New Martyrs of Russia – Tone 4
Today the Church of Russia joyfully forms a chorus,
praising her new martyrs and confessors;
hierarchs and priests, royal passion-bearers, right-believing princes and princesses,
venerable men and women, and all Orthodox Christians.
Having laid down their life for faith in Christ during the days of godless persecution,
they preserved the truth by the shedding of blood.//
By their protection, O long-suffering Lord, preserve our land in Orthodoxy till the end of the age.

Kontakion for the New Martyrs of Russia – Tone 3
Today the new martyrs of Rus' stand in white robes before the Lamb of God,
and with the angels they sing to God the hymn of victory:
"Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and praise, and honor,
and power, and strength be to our God//
unto the ages of ages. Amen."

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages, amen.

Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 7
The dominion of death can no longer hold mankind captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.
Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:
"The Savior has come to those in faith;//
enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!"

Epistle: (285-ctr) 1 Timothy 4:9-15 and (99) Romans 8:28-39 (for the New Martyrs)
Prokeimenon, Tone 7
Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 7th Tone: The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace.
Choir: The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace.
Reader: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!
Choir: The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace.
Reader: In the Seventh Tone, God is our refuge and strength, a help in afflictions that severely befall us.

Choir: God is our refuge and strength, a help in afflictions that severely befall us.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: My Son Timothy: This saying is faithful and worthy of all acceptance. For this purpose, we both work hard and experience rejection, because we have placed our trust in the living God who is the Savior of all, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things.

Let no one despise your youth, but be an example for those who believe: in speech, in your way of life, in love, in spirit, in faith, and in purity. Until I come, devote yourself to public reading, encouragement, and teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the council of presbyters. Be attentive in these things. Give yourself to them completely, so that your progress may be manifest to all.

Brethren, we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, to those who are called according to his purpose. Whoever God foreknew, he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that his Son might be the firstborn among many brethren. Whoever God predestined, he also called. Those whom he called, he also justified. Those whom he justified, he also glorified.

What then shall we say about these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but delivered him up for us all, how would he not also give us all things with him freely? Who could bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies! Who is the one who condemns? It is Christ who died, yes and rather, who is risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Could oppression, or anguish, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Even as it is written:

For your sake we are killed all day long.

We were accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

No, in all these things, we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. Indeed, I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Priest: Peace be to you.

Alleluia: Tone 6

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 7th Tone: Alleluia! It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High.
Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night.
Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the Fourth Tone, the righteous cried, and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (94) Luke 19:1-10 and (105A) Luke 21:8-19 (for the New Martyrs)

Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. **Luke.**

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through town. There was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, and could not because of the crowd, for he was short. He ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, who was [about] to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up, saw Zacchaeus, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house!" He hurried, came down, and received Jesus with joy. But when the people saw it, they all grumbled, saying, "He has gone in to stay with a man who is a sinner!"

Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have wrongfully obtained money from anyone, I restore four times as much!"

Then Jesus said to him, "Today, salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."

The Lord said: "Watch out that you do not get led astray, for many will come in my Name, saying: 'I am he,' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must happen first, but the end will not come right away." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines, and plagues in various places. There will be fearful events and great signs from heaven.

But before all these things [happen], you will be placed under arrest and be persecuted; you will be handed over to synagogues and prisons, and brought before kings and governors for my Name's sake. But it will turn out for you as an occasion to bear witness. Therefore, settle it in your hearts not to ponder in advance how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or withstand. You will be handed over even by parents, relatives, friends, and brothers. Some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all for my Name's sake, yet not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance acquire your lives.

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Please join us in our fellowship hour immediately following the dismissal!