



**Holy Transfiguration
Orthodox Church**

a mission parish of the Orthodox Church in America

Palm Sunday

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The Triumphal Entry of our Lord into Jerusalem

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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 available 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.*

621 Kellogg Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010
(corner of 7th and Kellogg)

First Antiphon

I love the Lord because He has heard the voice of my supplication.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Because He inclined His ear to me; therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.

(Refrain is sung after this and each of the following verses)

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of hell laid hold on me.

I suffered distress and anguish, so I called on the Name of the Lord.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Second Antiphon

I kept my faith, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted."

Refrain: O Son of God, seated on the colt of an ass, save us who sing to

You: "Alleluia!"

What shall I render to the Lord for all the things He has given me?

(Refrain is sung after this and each of the following verses)

I will receive the cup of salvation, and call on the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.

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

Then, "Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God ... " as usual

Third Antiphon

Reader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever!

Troparion for Palm Sunday – Tone 1

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Your Passion,
You confirmed the universal resurrection, O Christ God.

Like the children with the palms of victory,
we cry out to You, O Vanquisher of Death:

"Hosanna in the highest!//

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!"

Reader: Let the house of Israel say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

Repeat Troparion: "By raising Lazarus from the dead ..."

Reader: Let the house of Aaron say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

Repeat Troparion: "By raising Lazarus from the dead ..."

Reader: Let those who fear the Lord say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

Repeat Troparion: "By raising Lazarus from the dead ..."

*Introit (Priest): Wisdom! Let us attend! Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord. We
bless you from the house of the Lord. God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us.*

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You confirmed the universal resurrection, O Christ God.

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we cry out to You, O Vanquisher of Death:

"Hosanna in the highest!//

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Troparion – Tone 4

When we were buried with You in baptism, O Christ God,

we were made worthy of eternal life by your Resurrection.

Now we praise You and sing:

“Hosanna in the highest!//

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!”

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

Kontakion for Palm Sunday – Tone 6

Sitting on Your throne in Heaven,

carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God,

accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing://

“Blessed is He Who comes to recall Adam!”

Epistle: (247) – Philippians 4:4-9

Prokeimenon, Tone 4

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 4th Tone: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Choir: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Reader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever!

Choir: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Reader: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord ...

Choir: ... God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Philippians.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, Rejoice in the Lord always! Again I will say, rejoice! Let your kindness be known to all. The Lord is at hand! Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are honorable, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are commendable, if there is any virtue or any praise, think about these things. What you learned, received, heard, and saw in me – practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Priest: † Peace be to you.

Alleluia: Tone 1

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 1st Tone: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (41) John 12:1-18

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

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

Priest: Let us Attend! Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany where Lazarus (who had been dead and whom Jesus had raised from the dead) lived. Therefore, they gave a supper for him there. Martha served while Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with him. Then Mary took a pound of fragrance of pure nard, very precious; she anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. Then Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, one of his disciples and the one who would betray him, said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" Now Judas said this, not because he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and having the money box, he used to steal what was put into it. But Jesus said, "Leave her alone! She has kept this for the day of my burial. For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Meanwhile, a large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there. They came, not only for Jesus' sake, but also in order to see Lazarus whom he had raised from the dead. The chief priests even conspired to put Lazarus to death as well, because on his account many of the Jews were going over to Jesus and believed in him. On the next day, a great multitude had come to the feast. When they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took branches from palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord, the King of Israel!" Having found a young donkey, Jesus sat on it. As it is written: "*Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion! Behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt.*" His disciples did not understand these things at first, but after Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about him, and that they had done these things to him. Now the multitude that had been with Jesus when he had called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify about it. For this reason also, the crowd had come out to meet him, because they had heard that he had done this sign.

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

Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing the following:

God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Celebrate the feast and come with gladness!

Let us magnify Christ with palms and branches,

singing: "Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!"

Communion Hymn

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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