



**Holy Transfiguration
Orthodox Church**

a mission parish of the Orthodox Church in America

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The Transfiguration of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ

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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.*

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The First Antiphon

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise!

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

The voice of Your thunder was in the whirlwind; Your lightning lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

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

You are clothed with honor and majesty, Who cover Yourself with light as with a garment.

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

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

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

The Second Antiphon

Mount Zion in the far north is the city of the Great King.

Refrain: O Son of God, transfigured on the mountain, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

And He brought them to the mountain of His sanctuary, this mountain which His right hand had won.

Refrain: O Son of God, transfigured on the mountain, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

The Mount Zion which He loved, He built as His sanctuary with mighty strength.

Refrain: O Son of God, transfigured on the mountain, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

The Third Antiphon

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

Troparion of the feast – Tone 7

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Your glory to Your Disciples as far as they could bear it.

Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Theotokos!//

O Giver of Light, glory to You!

As the mountains are round about it, so the Lord is round about His people, from this time and forevermore.

Troparion of the Feast

O Lord, who shall sojourn in Your tabernacle? Who shall dwell on Your holy mountain?

Troparion of the Feast

Who shall ascend the mountain of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place?

Troparion of the Feast

Introit: Wisdom! Let us attend! Send out Your light and Your truth; they have led me and brought me to Your holy mountain.

Troparion – Tone 7

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God,
revealing Your glory to Your Disciples as far as they could bear it.
Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners,
through the prayers of the Theotokos!//
O Giver of Light, glory to You!

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

Kontakion, Tone 7

On the mountain You were transfigured, O Christ God,
and Your Disciples beheld Your glory as far as they could see it;
so that when they would behold You crucified,
they would understand that Your suffering was voluntary,
and would proclaim to the world//
that You are truly the Radiance of the Father.

Epistle: (65) – 2 Peter 1:10-19

Deacon: Let us attend! *Priest:* +Peace be unto all!

Reader: And with your spirit! *Deacon:* Wisdom!

Prokeimenon, Tone 4

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 4th Tone: O Lord, how manifold are Your
works; in wisdom have You made them all!

Choir: O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all!

Reader: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, You are very great!

Choir: O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all!

Reader: O Lord, how manifold are Your works; ...

Choir: ... in wisdom have You made them all!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Second General Epistle of the Holy Apostle
Peter.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, do all that you can to make your calling and election assured.
For if you do these things, you will never stumble. Thus, you will be richly granted
the entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Therefore, I will not be negligent to remind you of these things although you already
know them and are established in the truth which you now have. I think it right, as
long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you of these things. I know that
I shall lay aside my tent very quickly, even as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to
me. And so, I will make every effort to ensure that you will always be able to
remember these things, even after my departure. Certainly, we did not depend on
cleverly invented fables when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord
Jesus Christ; we were eyewitnesses of his majesty! For he received from God the
Father honor and glory when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, "This is
my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." We heard this voice come out of
heaven when we were with him on the holy mountain.

Therefore, we have the word of prophecy made even more certain, and you should
pay attention to it as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the
morning star arises in your hearts.

Priest: + Peace be unto you.

Alleluia: Tone 8

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 8th Tone: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in Your Name.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (70) – Matthew 17:1-9

Priest: Wisdom! Let us Attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be with you all!

Choir: And with your spirit.

Deacon: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. **Matthew.**

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

Deacon: Let us Attend!

At that time, Jesus took with him Peter, James, and John his brother, and he brought them up into a high mountain by themselves. There, he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his garments became as white as the light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with him.

Peter then said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here! If you want, let us make three tents here: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While Peter was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them. And behold, a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased. Listen to him."

When the disciples heard it, they fell on their faces and were very afraid. Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up, and do not be afraid." Lifting up their eyes, they saw no one, except Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus gave them this order: "Do not tell anyone what you saw, until the Son of Man has risen again from the dead."

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

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

Magnify, O my soul, the Lord Who was transfigured on Mount Tabor!

Your childbearing was without corruption;
God came forth from your body clothed in flesh,
and appeared on earth and dwelt among men.
Therefore we all magnify you, O Theotokos.

Communion Hymn: O Lord, we will walk in the light of Your countenance, and will exult in Your name forever. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Parish feast day

Welcome, and thank you for visiting with us on this most special day for our parish. Welcome especially to Metropolitan Nikolaz who comes to us from the Republic of Georgia. Metropolitan Nikolaz is hosting a luncheon immediately following our services this morning, and all are welcome!