



**Holy Transfiguration
Orthodox Church**

a mission parish of the Orthodox Church in America

Thirty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, January 14, 2018

Leavetaking of Theophany
St. Nina, Enlightener of Georgia

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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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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 of the Feast – Tone 1

When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan,
the worship of the Trinity was made manifest.

For the voice of the Father bore witness to You,
calling You His Beloved Son;

and the Spirit in the form of a dove

confirmed the truthfulness of His word.

O Christ our God, You have revealed Yourself//

and have enlightened the world, glory to You!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 7

The dominion of death

can no longer hold men captive,

for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.

Hades is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:

“The Savior has come to those in faith;//

enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

Now and ever and unto ages of ages, amen.

Kontakion of the Feast – Tone 4

Today You have shone forth to the world, O Lord,

and the light of Your countenance has been marked on us.

Knowing You, we sing Your praises:

“You have come and revealed Yourself,//

O unapproachable Light.”

Epistle: (280-ctr) – 1 Timothy 1:15-17

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 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.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the First Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to Timothy.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: My son Timothy, this saying is faithful and worthy of all acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners of whom I am the first. This is how I obtained mercy, so that in me as 'the first,' Jesus Christ might show all his patience as an example for those who would believe in him for eternal life.

Now to the eternal King, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory unto ages of ages. Amen.

Priest: † Peace be to you.

Alleluia: Tone 4

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 4th Tone: Alleluia! Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God, bring to the Lord young rams.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, upon many waters

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the 7th Tone, It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (93) – Luke 18:35-43

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

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

Priest: At that time, as Jesus was approaching Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the road, begging. Hearing a crowd

going by, he asked what this meant. People told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. He began to cry out, “Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me!” Then those who led the way rebuked him, ordering him to be quiet. But the blind man cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Standing still, Jesus commanded that the blind man be brought to him. When the man had come near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do?”

The man replied, “Lord, that I may see again!”

Jesus said to him, “Receive your sight. Your faith has healed you.”

Immediately, the man received his sight and began to follow Jesus, glorifying God. When all the people saw this, they praised God.

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

(Instead of “It is truly meet,” we sing:)

Magnify, O my soul, the most-pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts.

No tongue knows how to praise you worthily, O Theotokos; even Angels are overcome with awe praising you.

But since you are good, accept our faith; for you know our love inspired by God.

You are the defender of Christians, and we magnify you.

Communion Hymns

The grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men. The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Calendars: 2018 Liturgical Calendars are available in the narthex – please feel free to take one home!