



**Holy Transfiguration  
Orthodox Church**

*a mission parish of the Orthodox Church in America*

*Eighth Sunday of Pascha*  
**Sunday, May 27, 2018**

*Holy Pentecost*  
*St. John the Russian*

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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!

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*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 Festal Antiphon

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork.

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

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

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

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe.

*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 Festal Antiphon

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob protect you!

*Refrain:* O Good Comforter, save us who sing to You: "Alleluia!"

May He send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion!

*Refrain:* O Good Comforter, save us who sing to You: "Alleluia!"

May He remember all your offerings, and fulfill all your plans!

*Refrain:* O Good Comforter, save us who sing to You: "Alleluia!"

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 ... "*

### The Third Festal Antiphon

*Reader:* In Your strength the king rejoices, O Lord, and exults greatly in Your salvation.

*Troparion for Pentecost – Tone 8*

Blessed are You, O Christ our God;  
for You have shown the fishermen to be most wise  
by sending down on them the Holy Spirit  
and through them catching all the world in Your net.//  
Glory to You, O good God Who love mankind!

*Reader:* You have given him his heart's desire, and have not withheld the request of his lips.

*Repeat Troparion for Pentecost – Tone 8*

*Reader:* For You meet him with goodly blessings; You set a crown of fine gold upon his head.

*Repeat Troparion for Pentecost – Tone 8*

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### Entrance Verse (Introit)

Wisdom! Stand upright! Be exalted, O Lord, in your strength! We will sing and praise Your power!

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for You have shown the fishermen to be most wise  
by sending down on them the Holy Spirit  
and through them catching all the world in Your net.//

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Glory to You, O good God Who love mankind!

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

*Kontakion for Pentecost – Tone 8*

When He came down and confused the tongues, the Most High divided the nations; but when He distributed the tongues of fire, He called all people to unity.// Therefore, with one voice we glorify the most-Holy Spirit.

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***(Instead of the Trisagion, we sing:)***

***As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia.***

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*Epistle: (3) – Acts 2:1-11*

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*Prokeimenon, Tone 8:*

*Reader:* The Prokeimenon, in the 8<sup>th</sup> Tone: Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth, / and their words to the ends of the universe!

*Choir:* Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe!

*Reader:* The heavens are telling the Glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork!

*Choir:* Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe!

*Reader:* Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth, ...

*Choir:* ... and their words to the ends of the universe!

*Deacon:* Wisdom!

*Reader:* The Reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles.

*Deacon:* Let us attend!

*Reader:* In those days, when the day of Pentecost came, they were all with one accord gathered in the same place. Suddenly, there came from heaven a sound like the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Divided tongues that seemed like fire appeared and one tongue rested on each of them. Then they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak. At that time of year, devout Jews from every nation under heaven were staying in Jerusalem. When this sound was heard, a crowd formed and people were bewildered because everyone heard the disciples speaking in his own language. They were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Behold, are not all these who speak Galileans? How is it that we hear everyone speak in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the parts of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians: we hear them speaking in our languages concerning the deeds of power of God!" *Priest:* Peace be to you.

*Alleluia: Tone 1*

*Reader: **And to your spirit.*** In the 1<sup>st</sup> Tone: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Choir:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Reader:* By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made; and all their host by the Spirit of His mouth.

*Choir:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Reader:* The Lord looks down from Heaven and beholds the sons of men.

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*Choir:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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*Gospel: (27) John 7:37-52; 8:12*

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

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

*Priest:* Now on the last and greatest day of the feast, Jesus stood and spoke loudly, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink! From within whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, will flow rivers of living water!" But he said this concerning the Spirit, which those believing in him were to receive. For the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

When they heard this saying, many of the people said, "This is truly the prophet!" Others said, "This is the Christ!" Still others said, "What? Does the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" And so, there arose a division in the crowd because of him.

Some of them would have arrested him, but no one laid hands on him.

And so, the officers returned to the chief priests and Pharisees, who asked them, "Why did you not bring him?"

The officers answered, "No one has ever spoken like this man!"

At this, the Pharisees replied, "You are not also led astray, are you?"

Have any of the rulers believed in him, or the Pharisees? But this multitude that does not know the law is accursed."

Nicodemus (who had come to him by night, being one of the Pharisees) said to them, "Does our law judge someone without first hearing from him personally to find out what this person is doing?"

They answered him, "Are you also from Galilee? Search, and see that no prophet has arisen out of Galilee."

Then again, Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in the darkness but will have the light of life."

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

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

Rejoice, O Queen, glory of mothers and virgins!

No tongue, however sweet or fluent, is eloquent enough to praise you worthily.

Every mind is overawed by your childbearing.

Therefore, with one voice, we glorify you.

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### ***Communion Hymn***

Let Your good Spirit lead me on a level path! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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***The Kneeling Vespers of Pentecost will immediately follow the dismissal.***

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

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***Fast-free week:*** The upcoming week is celebrated with no fasting.

### ***Upcoming Events:***

*June 2, 10:30 am, Baptism of Vladislav Zarechnyy*

*July 12-14: Small Parish Forum St. George Cathedral, Rossford (Toledo), Ohio. Anyone interested, please contact Fr. Marty ASAP – all expenses will be paid for this opportunity to discuss parish growth.*