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“Lord, it is good for us to be here!”

(Peter, an Apostle, on Mount Tabor at the Transfiguration of our Lord, Gospel of St. Matthew 17:4)

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 and notes for the Divine Liturgy – if you find it useful, please ask to take one of those with you, with our compliments. Please leave the hardback versions for future parishioners to use.

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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(corner of 7th and Kellogg)

(Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 4)

When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel
the joyous message of Your Resurrection,
they cast away the ancestral curse
and elatedly told the Apostles:

“Death is overthrown!

Christ our God is risen,//

granting the world great mercy!”

(Troparion for the Martyrs – Tone 4)

Your holy martyrs Adrian and Natalia, O Lord,
through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from You,
our God.

For having Your strength, they laid low their adversaries,
and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.//

Through their intercessions, save our souls!

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

(Kontakion for the Martyrs – Tone 4)

Martyr of Christ, Adrian,

you kept the words of your godly and devoted wife Natalia in your
heart.//

With her you accepted every kind of suffering and obtained the crown
of victory!

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

(Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 4)

My Savior and Redeemer as God

rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains.

He has shattered the gates of Hades,

and as Master,//

He has risen on the third day!

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Prokeimenon, Tone 4

Priest: Let us attend! † Peace be unto all!

Reader: And with your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

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!

Epistle – (166) 1 Corinthians 16:13-24

***Reader:* The Reading from the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.**

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, Watch! Stand firm in the faith! Be courageous! Be strong! Let all that you do be done in love.

Now I beg you, brethren (you know the house of Stephanas, that it is the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to serve the saints), that you also be in service to people like this, and to everyone who helps in the work and labors. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus; for what was lacking on your part, they supplied. They refreshed my spirit and yours; show therefore your appreciation to such people.

The Churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you much in the Lord, together with the Church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss!

This greeting is by me, Paul, with my own hand. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. Maranatha! May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love is with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Priest: † Peace be to you!

Alleluia: Tone 4

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 4th Tone: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel – (87) Matthew 21:33-42

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

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

Priest: The Lord said, Hear another parable. There was a man who was the owner of a household. He planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, built a tower, and leased it out to farmers. He then left for another country. When the season for the

fruit drew near, he sent his slaves to the farmers, to receive his fruit. But the farmers took his slaves, beat one, killed another, and stoned yet another. Again, the owner sent other slaves, even more than the first time; and they treated them in the same way. Then he sent his son to them, saying: 'They will respect my son!'

But the farmers, when they saw the son, said to each other, 'This is the heir! Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' And so they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Therefore, when the lord of the vineyard returns, what will he do with those farmers?"

They answered him, "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and he will lease out the vineyard to other farmers who will give him the fruit in its season."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

*'The very stone which the builders rejected
was made the head of the corner.*

*This was from the Lord and
it is marvelous in our eyes?'*

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

Sermon

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

Catechism –Class will begin this Wednesday, August 29, at 7:00PM here at the Church. Please feel free to join us, and learn more about the Orthodox Church and faith.

Little Food Pantry – Our Little Food Pantry is running quite low on food. Any non-perishable items are deeply appreciated. We end up restocking two to three times per week, so the need is there.

Parents and caregivers of young children – Relax! God put wiggles and voices in all of us, so experiencing those during Church is normal. Some suggestions:

- Sit toward the front where it is easier for little ones to see and hear.
- Quietly explain the parts of the Divine Liturgy, and use the Service Book to follow along.
- Make sure you have access to the variable hymns in the bulletin, or the Vespers hymn sheet.
- Sing and participate – Children learn how to behave in Church by watching good examples around them.
- If you need to step out into the Narthex for a moment, please do so, but please return!

We are blessed by the participation of the smaller ones in our lives. It is good for all of us to be here!