



**Holy Transfiguration
Orthodox Church**

a mission parish of the Orthodox Church in America

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 11, 2019

Afterfeast of the Transfiguration
Martyr Euplus

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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. 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 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 for the Transfiguration – 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!

(Troparion for the Martyr – Tone 4)

Your holy martyr, Euplus O Lord,
through his sufferings has received an incorruptible from You, our God.
For having Your strength, he laid low his adversaries,
and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.//
Through his intercessions, save our souls!

(Kontakion for the Martyr – Tone 1)

With the love of Christ as your only defense,
you stood in the midst of your fight and said:
“I endure this struggle willingly and with confidence!”
You rejoiced, O Euplus, to offer your head to the sword
and so you completed your course.

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

(Kontakion for the Transfiguration – 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.

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

(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!”

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 Fourth 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!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Epistle: (124) – 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

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

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, I beg you, through the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to all speak the same thing and that there be no divisions among you. Instead, may you be perfected together in the same mind and opinion. As it is, those who are from Chloe's household have informed me concerning you my brethren, that there are quarrels among you. Now I mean this: that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," "I follow Apollos," "I follow Kephas," or, "I follow Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you, except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one should say that I baptized you into my own name. (I also baptized the household of Stephanas; besides them, I do not know whether I baptized any other.)

Indeed, Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the Good News – not in wisdom of words, so that the cross of Christ would not be made void. For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are dying, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Priest: † Peace be to you!

Alleluia: Tone 7

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

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the Eighth Tone, The heavens are Yours; the earth also is Yours.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (58) Matthew 14:14-22

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

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

Priest: At that time, Jesus went out and saw that there was a great crowd. He had compassion on them and healed their sick. When evening came, his disciples came to him and said, “This place is deserted, and the hour is already late. Send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.”

But Jesus said to them, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

They replied, “We only have here five loaves and two fish!”

Jesus said, “Bring them to me.” Having instructed the crowds to sit down on the grass, he took the five loaves and the two fish. Looking up to heaven, he blessed, broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples distributed it to the multitudes. And so, everyone ate and was satisfied. His disciples gathered up twelve baskets full of what remained left over from the broken pieces. Those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Immediately after this, Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and told them to go ahead of him to the other side, while he would send the crowds away.

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

Sermon

(then p. 89)

(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 Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! O Lord, we will walk in the light of Your countenance, and will exult in Your name forever. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

(then, p. 132)

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