



**Holy Transfiguration
Orthodox Church**

a mission parish of the Orthodox Church in America

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 3, 2019

*Martyrs Akepsimas the Bishop, Joseph the Presbyter, and
Aethalas the Deacon, Establishment of the Church of St. George*

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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.*

621 Kellogg Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010
(corner of 7th and Kellogg)

(Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 3)

Let the heavens rejoice!

Let the earth be glad!

For the Lord has shown strength with His arm.

He has trampled down death by death.

He has become the first born of the dead.

He has delivered us from the depths of hell,

and has granted to the world//

great mercy.

(Troparion or the Martyrs – Tone 3)

You were pillars of the Church, O servants of godliness,

and you humbled the proud worshippers of fire.

Much afflicted hierarch Aképsimas, Joseph the presbyter and Áethalas

the deacon,

pray to Christ our God//

to grant us His great mercy!

(Troparion or the Saint – Tone 4)

O liberator of captives, defender of the poor,

physician of the sick, and champion of kings,

trophy-bearer, great martyr George,

Intercede with Christ God//

that our souls may be saved!

(Kontakion for the Saint – Tone 2)

As we the faithful flee to you for refuge

and seek your protection and speedy help,

We entreat you, O Champion of Christ,

that we who sing your praises

may be delivered from the snares of the enemy

and from every peril and adversary,//

that we may cry: “Rejoice, O martyr George!”

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

(Kontakion for the Martyrs – Tone 3)

You celebrated the mysteries blamelessly, O wise one,

and became yourself an acceptable sacrifice, O divinely blessed one.

You gloriously drank of the cup of Christ, Holy Akepsimas//

Together with your fellow sufferers you are praying unceasingly to Christ

God for us all.

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

(Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 3)

On this day You rose from the tomb,

O Merciful One,

leading us from the gates of death.

On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices;
with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise //
the divine majesty of Your power.

(then, p. 83)

Prokeimenon, Tone 3

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

Reader: And with your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 3rd Tone: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

Choir: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

Reader: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

Choir: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

Reader: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! ...

Choir: ... Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Epistle – (200) Galatians 1:11-19

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, regarding the Good News which I preached, I proclaimed this to you, that it is not of human origin. I did not receive it from man and I was not taught this Good News by man, but it came to me through a revelation of Jesus Christ. You have heard about how I used to live in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God beyond measure, and how I ravaged it. I advanced in the Jewish religion beyond many of my own age among my countrymen, as I was more extremely zealous for the traditions of my forefathers. But when it was the good pleasure of God (who had set me apart from my mother's womb and called me through his grace, to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles), I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood: I did not go up to Jerusalem to visit those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia. Later on, I returned to Damascus. Then, after three years, I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Peter, and I stayed with him for fifteen days. However, I did not see any of the other apostles, except James, 'the Lord's brother.'

Priest: † Peace be to you!

Alleluia: Tone 3

Reader: And to Your spirit. In the 3rd Tone: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In You, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel – (39) Luke 8:41-56

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

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

Priest: At that time, a man named Jairus came, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. He fell down at Jesus' feet and begged him to come to his house because he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. But as Jesus went, the crowd pressed against him.

There was a woman who had a flow of blood for twelve years and who had spent all she had on physicians, but she could not be healed by any. She came behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak. Immediately, the flow of her blood stopped. Jesus said, "Who touched me?" As everyone was denying it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you, and you ask, 'Who touched me?'"

But Jesus said, "Someone has touched me, for I perceived that power has gone out from me." When the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came forth trembling. Falling down before Jesus, in the presence of all the people, she confessed to him why she had touched him, and how she had immediately been healed. He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer! Your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But when Jesus heard it, he answered him, "Do not be afraid! Only believe, and she will be healed."

When Jesus arrived at the house, he did not allow anyone to enter in, except Peter, John, and James, as well as the father of the child and her mother. All were weeping and mourning the girl, but Jesus said, "Do not weep! She is not dead, but sleeping."

But they mocked him, knowing that she was dead. Jesus put them all outside, and taking the girl by the hand, he called, "Child, arise!" Her spirit returned, and she immediately got up. He ordered that something to eat should be given to her. Her parents were amazed, but he commanded them to tell no one what had been done.

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

Sermon

(then p. 89)

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