

# *PALM SUNDAY*

## *9 MONK-MARTYRS OF CYZICUS; ALEXANDRA THE EMPRESS*



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### SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ORTHROS 8:15AM; DIVINE LITURGY 9:30AM

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THESE HYMNS ARE SUNG BY THE COMMUNITY WITH THE CHANTERS  
DURING AND AFTER THE SMALL ENTRANCE

*Hymn after Doxology*

*Συνταφέντες σοι διὰ τοῦ Βαπτίσματος, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, τῆς ἀθανάτου ζωῆς ἠξιώθημεν τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου, καὶ ἀνυμνοῦντες κράζομεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.*

*As by baptism we were buried with Thee, O Christ our God, so by Thy Resurrection we were deemed worthy of immortal life; and praising Thee, we cry: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord*

*First Antiphon*

*Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἐπὶ πώλου ὄνου καθεσθεις Ἀλληλούϊα.*

*Save us, O Son of God, who was seated on the foal of a donkey, we sing to You Alleluia*

*Hymn for Small Entrance*

*Τὴν κοινὴν Ἀνάστασιν πρὸ τοῦ σοῦ Πάθους πιστούμενος, ἐκ νεκρῶν ἤγειρας τὸν Λάζαρον, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός· ὅθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς ὡς οἱ Παῖδες, τὰ τῆς νίκης σύμβολα φέροντες, σοὶ τῷ Νικητῇ τοῦ θανάτου βοῶμεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.*

*In confirming the common Resurrection, O Christ God, Thou didst raise up Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion. Wherefore, we also, like the children, bearing the symbols of victory, cry to Thee, the Vanquisher of death: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord*

*Entrance Hymn*

*Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου. Θεὸς Κύριος καὶ ἐπέφανεν ἡμῖν.  
Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἐπὶ πώλου ὄνου καθεσθεις*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Save us, O Son of God, who was seated on the foal of a donkey, we sing to You Alleluia*

*Kontakion*

*Τῷ θρόνῳ ἐν οὐρανῷ, τῷ πώλῳ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, ἐποχούμενος Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, τῶν Ἀγγέλων τὴν αἴνεσιν, καὶ τῶν Παίδων ἀνύμνησιν προσεδέξω βοῶντων σοι· Εὐλογημένος εἶ ὁ ἐρχόμενος, τὸν Ἀδὰμ ἀνακαλέσασθαι.*

*Being borne upon a throne in Heaven, and upon a colt on the earth, O Christ God, Thou didst accept the praise of the Angels and the laudation of the children as they cried to Thee: "Blessed art Thou Who comest to recall Adam*

*Megalynarion*

*Θεὸς Κύριος, καὶ ἐπέφανεν ἡμῖν· οὐσιήσασθε ἑορτὴν, καὶ ἀγαλλόμενοι, δεῦτε μεγαλύνωμεν Χριστόν, μετὰ βαΐων καὶ κλάδων, ὕμνοις κραυγάζοντες· Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, Σωτῆρος ἡμῶν.*

*God is the Lord, and He appeared to us. O Christians, appoint a feast, and with exultant joy come and let us magnify the Christ, waving our palm-leaves and branches, crying aloud in hymns: "Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord our Savior."*

*Communion Hymn*

*Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου. Ἀλληλούϊα.*

*Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.*

**These HYMNS are sung by the community with the chanters during and after the small entrance during and after the small entrance**

*Music assists the development of the perception of spiritual life. The soul becomes refined. It begins to understand spiritual music as well. -St. Barsanuphius of Optina*

## PALM SUNDAY

### Another Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

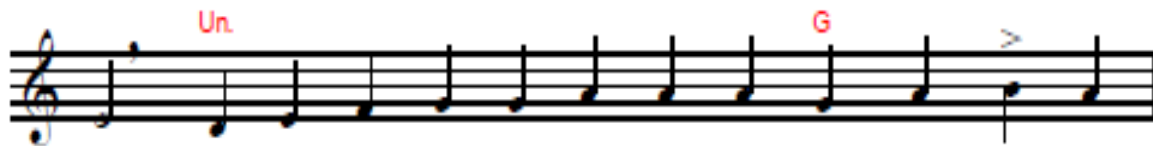
Intonation: #10

Συνταφέντες

Allegro ♩=150



As by bap - tis - m we were bur - ied with Thee, O Christ our



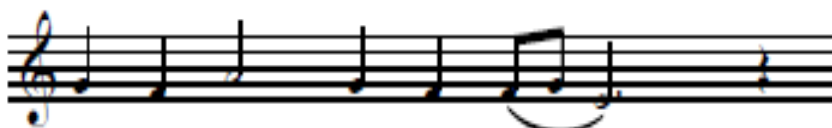
God, so by Thy Res - ur - rec - tion we were deemed wor - thy



of im - mor - tal life; and prais - ing Thee, we cry: Ho -



san - na in the high - est, bless - ed\_\_\_ is He that com - eth



in the Name of the Lord.\_\_\_\_

# PALM SUNDAY

## Apolytikion

### First Mode

Intonation: #1

Allegro  $\text{♩} = 150$

Τὴν κοινὴν ἀνάστασιν

In con - firm - ing the com - mon Res - ur - rec - tion, O Christ,  
God, Thou didst raise up Laz - a - rus from the dead be -  
fore. Thy Pas - sion. Where-fore, we al - so, like the chil -  
dren, bear - ing the sym - bols of vic - to - ry,  
cry to Thee, the Van - quish - er of death: Ho - san - na  
in the high - est; bless - ed is He that com - eth  
in the Name of the Lord.

# PALM SUNDAY

## Kontakion

### Plagal Second Mode

Intonation: #17

Allegro  $\text{♩} = 150$

Τῷ θρόνῳ ἐν οὐρανῷ

Un.

Be - ing borne up - on a throne in Heav - en, and up -

G E

on a colt on the earth, O Christ God, Thou didst ac -

Un. G

cept the praise of the An - gels and the laud - a - tion

E Un.

of the chil - dren as they cried to Thee: Bless - ed art

G Un. F

Thou Who com - est to re - call Ad - - - am.

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# St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

Prokeimenon. Mode 4.

Psalm 117.26,1

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος δ'.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 117.26,1

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Verse: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His mercy endures forever.

Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

Στίχ. Στίχ. Ἐξομολογεῖσθε τῷ Κυρίῳ ὅτι ἀγαθός, ὅτι εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

**B**RETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Πρὸς Φιλιππησίους 4:4-9 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

**Ἄ**δελφοί, χαίρετε ἐν κυρίῳ πάντοτε· πάλιν ἔρω, χαίρετε. Τὸ ἐπιεικὲς ὑμῶν γνωσθήτω πᾶσιν ἀνθρώποις. Ὁ κύριος ἐγγύς. Μηδὲν μεριμνᾶτε, ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ δεήσει μετὰ εὐχαριστίας τὰ αἰτήματα ὑμῶν γνωρίζεσθω πρὸς τὸν θεόν. Καὶ ἡ εἰρήνη τοῦ θεοῦ ἡ ὑπερέχουσα πάντα νοῦν, φρουρήσει τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν καὶ τὰ νοήματα ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Τὸ λοιπὸν, ἀδελφοί, ὅσα ἐστὶν ἀληθῆ, ὅσα σεμνά, ὅσα δίκαια, ὅσα ἀγνά, ὅσα προσφιλῆ, ὅσα εὐφημα, εἴ τις ἀρετὴ καὶ εἴ τις ἔπαινος, ταῦτα λογίζεσθε. Ἄ καὶ ἐμάθετε καὶ παρελάβετε καὶ ἠκούσατε καὶ εἶδετε ἐν ἐμοί, ταῦτα πράσσετε· καὶ ὁ θεὸς τῆς εἰρήνης ἔσται μεθ' ὑμῶν.



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## The Gospel According to John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

Πρὸ ἕξ ἡμερῶν τοῦ πάσχα ἦλθεν Ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Βηθανίαν, ὅπου ἦν Λάζαρος ὁ τεθνηκώς, ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐποίησαν οὖν αὐτῷ δεῖπνον ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἡ Μάρθα διηκόνει· ὁ δὲ Λάζαρος εἷς ἦν τῶν ἀνακειμένων σὺν αὐτῷ. ἡ οὖν Μαρία, λαβοῦσα λίτραν μύρου νάρδου πιστικῆς πολυτίμου, ἤλειψε τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ ἐξέμαξε ταῖς θριξίν αὐτῆς τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ· ἡ δὲ οἰκία ἐπληρώθη ἐκ τῆς ὀσμῆς τοῦ μύρου. λέγει οὖν εἷς ἐκ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, Ἰούδας Σίμωνος Ἰσκαριώτης, ὁ μέλλων αὐτὸν παραδιδόναι· διατί τοῦτο τὸ μύρον οὐκ ἐπράθη τριακοσίων δηναρίων καὶ ἐδόθη πτωχοῖς; εἶπε δὲ τοῦτο οὐχ ὅτι περὶ τῶν πτωχῶν ἔμελεν αὐτῷ, ἀλλ' ὅτι κλέπτῃς ἦν, καὶ τὸ γλωσσόκομον εἶχε καὶ τὰ βαλλόμενα ἐβάσταζεν. εἶπεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἄφες αὐτήν, εἰς τὴν ἡμέραν τοῦ ἐνταφιασμοῦ μου τετήρηκεν αὐτό. τοὺς πτωχοὺς γὰρ πάντοτε ἔχετε μεθ' ἑαυτῶν, ἐμὲ δὲ οὐ πάντοτε ἔχετε. Ἔγνω οὖν ὄχλος πολὺς ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων ὅτι ἐκεῖ ἐστὶ, καὶ ἦλθον οὐ διὰ τὸν Ἰησοῦν μόνον, ἀλλ' ἵνα καὶ τὸν Λάζαρον ἴδωσιν ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐβουλεύσαντο δὲ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς ἵνα καὶ τὸν Λάζαρον ἀποκτείνωσιν, ὅτι πολλοὶ δι' αὐτὸν ὑπήγον τῶν Ἰουδαίων καὶ ἐπίστευον εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν. Τῇ ἐπαύριον ὄχλος πολὺς ὁ ἐλθὼν εἰς τὴν ἑορτήν, ἀκούσαντες ὅτι ἔρχεται Ἰησοῦς εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα, ἔλαβον τὰ βαῖα τῶν φοινίκων καὶ ἐξῆλθον εἰς ὑπάντησιν αὐτῷ, καὶ ἔκραζον· ὡσαννά, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ Ἰσραήλ. εὐρῶν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὀνάριον ἐκάθισεν ἐπ' αὐτό, καθὼς ἐστὶ γεγραμμένον· μὴ φοβοῦ, θύγατερ Σιών· ἰδοὺ ὁ βασιλεὺς σου ἔρχεται καθήμενος ἐπὶ πῶλον ὄνου. Ταῦτα δὲ οὐκ ἔγνωσαν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ τὸ πρῶτον, ἀλλ' ὅτε ἐδοξάσθη ὁ Ἰησοῦς, τότε ἐμνήσθησαν ὅτι ταῦτα ἦν ἐπ' αὐτῷ γεγραμμένα, καὶ ταῦτα ἐποίησαν αὐτῷ. Ἐμαρτύρει οὖν ὁ ὄχλος ὁ ὢν μετ' αὐτοῦ ὅτε τὸν Λάζαρον ἐφώνησεν ἐκ τοῦ μνημείου καὶ ἤγειρεν αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν. διὰ τοῦτο καὶ ὑπήντησεν αὐτῷ ὁ ὄχλος, ὅτι ἤκουσαν τοῦτο αὐτὸν πεποικέναι τὸ σημεῖον.

*“HE IS ALWAYS WRESTLING IN PRAYER FOR YOU...” (COLOSSIANS 4:12)*

*PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR ARMED FORCES*

*Chaplain Ahmad Athanasios Williams , SSGT Jennifer D. Atkinson, COL Dave Romine, CPT James Alfaro, MAJ Timothy Ullman, Col. Chris Chase, SPC Mindy Keys, SPC Andrew Bentzel, MAJ Scot Thornhill, CPT Christopher Gilbert, Major Alexander Stathos, 1st LT Angela Bahlatzis, MIDN 1/C Joseph Barone, LCDR Thomas Uhl, Lt. Lance Shannon, CPT Raphael Regalado, SSG George Graman , SSG Rebeca Najib, TSGT Trevor Soto*

*“THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS PERSON IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE” (JAMES 5:16)*

*PRAYERS FOR HEALTH*

*Prsb. Aspazia, Prsb. Vasiliki, Sophia, Michael, Ioanna, John Garwood, Luke Garwood, Andrew Garwood, Kara Hardy, William, George, Panagiota, Demetra Anna Georgantonis-Keah, Gayla Easley, Jacob, Patricia, Jack, Michelle, Marc, Evan Wilson, Hank Wilson, Vasiliki, Sophia, Rob, Beth, Anirban, Stephen, Jill Gentry, Alexander, Jacob, Carl (Gregory) Forsberg, Becca, Chris, Glory, Bryce, Savanna, Addison, Dina, Manny, Oakley Grace, Giuseppe, Romano, Costa,*

*PRAYER FOR CATECHUMEN*

*O Lord our God, who dwellest on high and regardest the humble, who has sent forth as the salvation of the race of men Thine only-begotten Son and God, our Lord Jesus Christ: Look down upon Thy servants the Catechumens, who have bowed their necks before Thee; make them worthy in due season of the laver of regeneration, the forgiveness of sins and the robe of incorruption. Unite them to Thy holy, catholic and apostolic Church, and number them with Thine elect flock: That with us they may glorify Thine all-honorable and majestic name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.*

*Rachael Adamson, Winston Cooke, Kelby, Jamison, Jeff, Lori, Walker, Geoffrey, J.P. Kirby, May Marshall, Carly Cheatham, Val Mayerik, Colleen Bayer, Carlos Antonio Cavazos, Monte Lee-Wen, Sheldon Lee Wen, Hugo Teran, Astraya, Brent Snyder, Christina Snyder, Tasha Adams, Nicholas Mathes, Heather Marshall, Amanda Stone, Aidan Carlin, Jessenia Carranza, Jacob Spevak, Richard Runde*

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## **ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING STUDENTS!**

Fr. Vasileios will be honoring High School and College/University graduates on **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**, so please email the office at [office@transfiguration.org](mailto:office@transfiguration.org) with the following information no later than **May 7<sup>th</sup>**:

- ◆ *The correct spelling of your name, as you'd like it to appear in the bulletin*
- ◆ *The school you will attend next Fall*
- ◆ *The high school (or college) from which you are graduating*
- ◆ *A digital copy of your senior portrait or another nice photo*
- ◆ *A note about hobbies or activities in high school (i.e. band, theater, soccer, etc.)*
- ◆ *A note about future plans, if known*



***Please make sure you attend church on that Sunday***



# Holy Week Services & Activities

**Palm Sunday, April 28**

Orthros 8am Divine Liturgy 9:30am  
Fish Luncheon to follow  
Bridegroom Service 7pm

**Holy Monday, April 29**

Presanctified Liturgy 10am  
Bridegroom Service 7pm

**Holy Tuesday, April 30**

Presanctified Liturgy 10am  
Bridegroom Service 7pm

**Holy Wednesday, May 1**

Presanctified Liturgy 10am  
Holy Unction 4:30pm  
Holy Thursday Orthros 7pm

**Holy Thursday, May 2**

Vesperal Liturgy 10am  
Holy Passion with the  
Twelve Gospel Readings 7pm  
GOYA girls as myrrhbearers (dark clothing; no need to arrive early)

**Holy Friday, May 3**

Royal Hours 10am  
(followed by decoration of the tomb; all ages)  
All Ages All Day Holy Friday Retreat  
Descent from Cross 3pm  
Lamentations 7pm  
Girls in grades 2-5 as myrrh-bearers (white dresses, come at 6:40pm)

**Holy Saturday, May 4**

Proti Anastasi/ First Resurrection Liturgy 10am  
Resurrection Orthros 11pm  
Resurrection Liturgy 12am  
Break the Fast Potluck 2am

**Holy Pascha, May 5**

Agape Service 1pm  
Agape Picnic 2pm

# YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

With Easter approaching fast, we have many opportunities for everyone to get involved and help us get ready to celebrate Our Lord's Resurrection. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for:

## HOLY THURSDAY, May 2



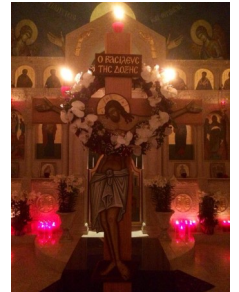
We need a few ladies to come to Mt. Tabor Hall 8:30am to help us dye the Easter eggs. Please call the office if you would like to volunteer for this at 512-329-6363

## GOYA Myrrh-bearers for Holy Thursday

GOYA-aged girls can participate as Myrrh-bearers/ Mirophores during the Holy Thursday evening service. The girls would have to dress in black and meet in Mt. Tabor Hall at 7pm

## HOLY FRIDAY, May 3

Royal Hours 10am. We need volunteers to help us prepare the flowers and decorate our Kouvouklion/Epitaphio. All are invited.



## HOPE/JOY Myrrh-bearers for Holy Friday

All young girls in the 2nd -5th grade are invited to serve as Myrrh-bearers for our Holy Friday Lamentations service. The girls will have to dress in white and be about 20 minutes early to Mt. Ta-



bor Hall.

If you can not be here, but would still like to help, please consider:

- a monetary donation towards the flowers for our epitaphio;
- White hydrengas (plants) that will decorate our Sanctuary (we need about 200 plants; please bring them to the church Lazarus Saturday)





HOLY SATURDAY, MAY 4

*Resurrection Service 11pm*

*Break the Fast Potluck Dinner 2am*

GREAT & HOLY PASCHA

MAY 5

*agape service 1pm*

*agape picnic 2pm*



At our family picnic you can enjoy the traditional roasted lamb, roasted chicken, and all the trimmings while our children enjoy themselves by participating in an Easter Egg Hunt, Pascha Pinata, & a Bounce House

**ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ**  
**CHRIST IS RISEN**

## A WORD OF CAUTION...

As we are nearing Holy Week, please be mindful of your own safety and the safety of others by practicing reasonable fasting from food and drink as best fits your age, stage and physical condition.

The Church allows more lenient fasting for those with underlying physical conditions or the elderly. Fasting too aggressively in those conditions increases the risk of fainting and sustaining serious injury from falls.

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### OFF DUTY OFFICER

On the recommendation of our Safety and Security Committee and due to:

- \* the increased number of night time services and the increased number of attendees,
- \* our active construction site,
- \* the visit of Bishop Constantine of Sassima

we have decided to employ an Off-Duty Officer to be on the grounds for Holy Week and Pascha

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### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR:

Please consider donating towards:

- **The purchase of the flowers that will decorate our Epitaphio and our beautiful church. There will be a tray in our Narthex for donations**
- **Easter candy for our Easter Egg Hunt that will take place on Pascha Sunday (no nuts, or chocolate please.) A box to collect donations will be set out in Mt. Tabor Hall.**





# Women's Prayer Ministry

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## Celebration of Praise



### The Akathist of Thanksgiving

May 15 – June 2; Pentecost

*Feel the joy and God's goodness!*

*Praise God with specifics.*

*Celebrate the Resurrection*

If you are interested in praying with us, please contact Sheri Shannep ([sshannep@gmail.com](mailto:sshannep@gmail.com)) by May 12.

## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



Mark your calendars for camp:

**June 3, 4, 5, and 6**

Monastery trip to St. Paraskevi: Friday, June 7

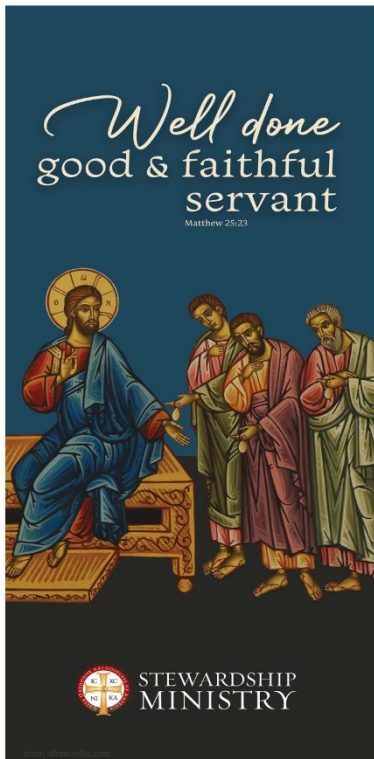
Theme: Life of the Theotokos.



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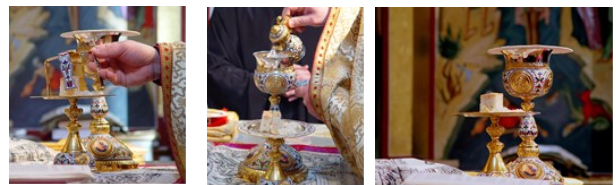
Seeing the world as God's gift...

Through Holy Communion, we are drawn out of ourselves and embrace the mission of our parish. We carry the fire of God's love within us with the power to renew all things. When we understand the true meaning of the Holy Eucharist, we bridge the gap between liturgy and life, between the love of Jesus on cross and our daily lives, between our beautiful theology and practical stewardship.

As Eucharistic Orthodox Christians, we see the world as God's gift. We offer the world back to God in thanksgiving with the words, "Thine own of Thine own we offer to Thee...."

Our stewardship program is now **YEAR-ROUND**, so your pledge will remain on file, unless you submit a new form or change the amount of your giving on Realm. It will continue with the submitted amount from year to year.

We encourage all stewards to reevaluate their giving on a yearly basis and adjust their pledge accordingly. God calls us to give back for all that He has given to us.





# fellowship steak night M E N ' S

**Bright Friday**

**May 10**

**6pm - 9pm**

**Mt. Tabor Hall**

Steak, potatoes, & vegetables  
dinner will be served at 7pm  
with fellowship afterwards

please RSVP at [russman98@yahoo.com](mailto:russman98@yahoo.com)



The Prayer Shawl Ministry team at Transfiguration would like to invite anyone who **knits or crochets (or both)** to be part of this new ministry. Prayers Shawls console in times of illness, grief, and stress. They comfort those who are ill, and bring hope to those who are in despair. They remind us that God's love is with us always and that each of us also remains in the hearts and prayers of others. The shawls are crafted with the love and prayers of the individual who knitted or crocheted it.

If you are interested in joining this new ministry, please contact Sue Holland or Julie Wynn so we can provide you with the patterns.

**AND**

We aren't just looking for people who crochet or knit! If you feel called to support this ministry in other ways, please let us know. You can contact Julie Wynn at [txwynn@gmail.com](mailto:txwynn@gmail.com) or Sue Holland at [susanstevens.holland@outlook.com](mailto:susanstevens.holland@outlook.com)



# METROPOLIS OF DENVER

CAMP & RETREATS 2024

JUNE 23-29

CAMP EMMANUEL

LARKSPUR, CO

~~Early Bird Registration - \$550 First 50 spots  
or through April 14 -- whichever occurs first~~

**SOLD OUT**

Regular Registration - \$575 Next 50 spots  
or through May 14 -- whichever occurs first

Late Registration - \$650

FOR MORE INFORMATION

[WWW.YOUTH.DENVER.GOARCH.ORG/CAMP-EMMANUEL](http://WWW.YOUTH.DENVER.GOARCH.ORG/CAMP-EMMANUEL)



## CONVO SESSIONS

**LIVING IN THE MOMENT: HOW WE CAN BE IN  
COMMUNION WITH CHRIST EVERYDAY**

**DATING FOR THE KINGDOM (PANEL DISCUSSION)**

**HOW CHRIST HEALS AND CALLS US BACK AFTER  
FALLING AWAY**

**THE POWER OF OBEDIENCE**

**WINDOWS TO PARADISE: LIVING A LIFE WITH THE  
SAINTS**

**FASTING: WORTHLESS OR LIFE CHANGING?**

**GOYA**

# **GREEK DANCE LESSONS**

**CALLING ALL 6TH-12TH GRADERS**



**EVERY PERFORM  
SUNDAY AT THE  
AT 12PM GREEK  
FEST!**

Meet near the outdoor picnic tables  
For more info, contact Alex Michalakos  
**ALEXAKOS@SBCGLOBAL.NET**

Alex Michalakos &

Costaki Skevofilax

are continuing Greek dance lessons in preparation for performances at our Greek Fest. We will assemble at **12pm** each **Sunday** outside near the **benches**. We will take no more than 45 min to an hour. **ZERO** previous **experience is necessary**, and **zero** previous **Greekness is necessary**. We are going to perform three dances at the Festival. This is going to be a very fun way to finish up the year.

## 5TH ANNUAL GREEK FESTIVAL



### Memorial Day Weekend 2024

Our Festival is bigger and better each year and

**AUSTIN LOVES IT**

Help us again this year to show them what hospitality and fellowship mean!

Scan the QR code and sign up as a Festival Volunteer



### ATTENTION ALL

SignUpGenius has been updated with the Booths and the time slots.

**If you have signed up already**, please visit the link again to make sure you have been assigned to the booth and time slot of your choice.

**If you have not signed up yet**, now is the time. Pick your booth and the time slot that works best with your schedule and join us



# New Communication



April 2, 2024

Subject: **New Mount Tabor Community Center**

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

It's been so very exciting to see the continued construction progress of our new community center. Thank God for all of you who have so generously shared your Time, Talent, and Treasure to make our "Dream a Reality"!

***Now we need to respond with the same level of commitment to Phase 2 of the project.***

Phase 2 includes upgrading the detention pond, repurposing the current septic system for the sanctuary, and razing Mt. Tabor Hall to put in place a new parking lot. The new parking lot is critical for future Greek Festivals and parishioner parking since military base access each Sunday is not guaranteed. As a community, we have dedicated so many man-hours and resources towards making the festival a sensational event. We must secure its success for 2025 and beyond.

***Currently, we are short of our Phase 2 goal of 193 participants (~80% of parishioners) and \$245,000.***

You may recall from my last communication mentioning that one of our faithful families used money from their own retirement fund to donate, another family is foregoing a vacation in 2024, a young parishioner donated \$30,000 to this initiative, and there are many others making a sacrifice. I am humbled and amazed by this level of giving for God's Church! I also realize so many people have given so much of their time, talent, and treasure already to our expansion project.

***We now need to stretch a little more to complete what we've so lovingly and diligently started.***

We currently have 94 parishioner families who have committed \$155,252, which is generous but short of our goal. Please look at the table below and determine the amount that you can commit to today! If you can contribute to our Phase 2 initiative, we ask that you submit the pledge form ASAP and fulfill your commitment by June 1. As you can see, this initiative is very attainable if we are able to get 80% of parishioners to participate, and you can use the information below as a guide to determine your pledge amount. Make it a part of your Lenten journey to Pascha this year. Your commitment helps build the future of our Church.

| # Of Contributors Needed | Contribution Amount | Total from All Contributors |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3                        | \$13,000            | \$39,000                    |
| 6                        | \$6,500             | \$39,000                    |
| 12                       | \$3,250             | \$39,000                    |
| 24                       | \$1,625             | \$39,000                    |
| 48                       | \$813               | \$39,000                    |
| 100                      | \$500               | \$50,000                    |
| 193                      |                     | \$245,000                   |

While living in Houston before moving to Austin over 27 years ago, I remember Fr. Lou Christopoulos, the Proestamenos of Annunciation Cathedral (currently Chancellor of our Denver Diocese) gave a sermon during our expansion project. I remember he stressed that no matter what the challenge, we *must* complete what we were doing for the glory and honor of God. Now, his words come back to me since we are SO VERY close to finishing this project. I implore you that we come together as a Church family and give generously to see this Phase 2 through to completion. As always, I thank you so very much for all that you have done and continue to do for our beloved Church. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions, and please give to this project as you always have, with a generous and cheerful heart. Have a blessed Great Lent.

In Christ's Love,

George Gianakopoulos, Parish Council President, 512-914-2636

cc: Building Fund Committee (Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Bill Robertson, Elton Stewart, John Stefanos)

# TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

## Mount Tabor Community Center (MTCC)

### Phase 2 Donation

### Building Faith, Family and A Future

**In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We offer the following financial commitment.**

*Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. Luke 6:38*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Donation. Payment completion by June 1, 2024, is appreciated. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total paid to date \$: \_\_\_\_\_

Total balance: \$: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks to: Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church: Building Expansion

Donation contributions can be made through EGiving, using

<https://transfiguration.org/>.

Please contact us if you will consider fulfilling a portion of your contribution gift through a transfer of stocks, bonds, or retirement assets.

Donations are tax deductible as provided by law.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



***Dream big. Work hard. With God's blessing, anything is possible.***

# REQUESTING YOUR SUPPORT TO REPURPOSE MT. TABOR HALL FOR ADDITIONAL PARKING

Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church



**Building Faith, Family,  
and a Future**  
New Mount Tabor Hall

## Requesting your support to repurpose Mount Tabor Hall for additional parking

April 28, 2024

TGOC Building Expansion Phase II

Pledge Goal \$250,000

Total Committed \$204,013

Total Pledges Collected \$142,426

Collected % of Goal 57%

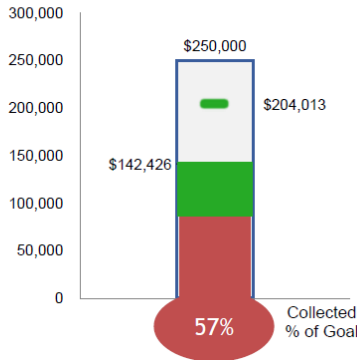
**Pledge Participant Goal 193**

Pledge Participant as of today 106

**Support our Building Expansion Phase II**

### TGOC BUILDING EXPANSION PHASE II

■ TGOC Building Expansion Phase II Pledge Goal  
■ Total Pledges Collected



## HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF 193 PLEDGE PARTICIPANTS



## Thank you to our Building Expansion Phase II Pledgers

Fr. Vasileios & Prsb. Stella Flegas

Fr. George & Prsb. Ria Bithos

Dn. Stephen & Dnss. Diann Dow

Dn. Sal & Dnss. Angela Fazio

Dn. Haralambos & Dnss. Michelle Ryburn

Ackerman, Eleni  
Adamson, Phillip  
Ambrose, Rod & Effie  
Angelo, Dr. Jacob & Diana  
Atiyah, Makram & Nasrine  
Ayers, Rob & Madga  
Bakiris, Michali & MaryKatherine

Benno, Georgine  
Blomberg, Cecilia  
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Cavazos, Angeliki  
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Esper, John & Jessica  
Garwood, Jason & Amity  
Gatlin, Jack & Pat  
Gavriel, Cyrus & Maria  
Georgakopoulos, Ilias  
Georgantonis, Mary  
George, Anthony & Effie  
George, Dr. Thomas  
Ghebremicael, Abraham  
Giakoumakis, Evangelos  
Gianakopoulos, George & Crissi

Giannopoulos, Demetris  
Giannukos, George  
Gleason, Katherine  
Gradziel, MaryBeth  
Hahalis, Roula  
Haldes, Tula  
Hareng, Michael & Rachelle  
Hearne, Gayle  
Herescu, Octavian  
Hicks, Vickie  
Holtsinger, Gretchen  
Horwedel, David & Eleni  
Hrissikopoulos, Eleni  
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Justice, Maria

Kalpaxis, Dr. James  
Katsos, Elias & Panagiota  
Kavadas, Christine  
Keller, Chris & Amy  
Kinslow, Mike & Sheri  
Kolber, Carolyn  
Larroque, Zephaniah  
Leara, William & Michelle  
Leatherwood, Elaine  
Levendakes, Steve  
Long, Mary  
McColloch, Corbin  
Meador, Dina  
Mendoza, Juan & Chelsea  
Menezes, Vitor  
Miller, Keith & Chyrisse  
Misthos, Donna & Jim  
Morrow-Rainwater, Mark  
Nelson, Richard & Helen  
Orr, Terry  
Papanastasiou, Nick  
Petropoulos, Tina  
Phocas, Denis & Sonia  
Pon, Ken  
Poulos, Gabe  
Price, Peter & Cynthia  
Psihramis, Alexander  
Reeder, Daniel & Terri Stone  
Rivers, Mitch & Cari  
Robertson, Bill & Linda  
Romine, David

Russon, Nicholas  
Shotwell, Patrice  
Sikes, Adrian & Khrystal  
Siow, Roy  
Smith, Brandie  
Sobchak, John & Susie  
Southwick, Philip & Mary Voorhies

Spanos, Kostas  
Stathos, Judith  
Stefos, John & Meredith  
Stevens, Aaron  
Stewart, Elton & Anna  
Stiurca, Dan  
Suehs, Brandon & Jennifer  
Taylor, Brook  
Vega, Elias & Yolanda  
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Woodruff, Rober & Debra  
Wynn, Allen & Julie  
Yediares, Pam  
Yiannos, Family Foundation  
Yoder, Stuart & Kori  
Zaccak, Imad



*Services & Activities for next Week*

- Palm Sunday**                    **BRIDEGROOM Service 7pm**
- Holy Monday, April 29**   **Presanctified 10am Bridegroom Service 7pm**
- Holy Tuesday, April 30**   **Presanctified 10am Bridegroom Service 7pm**
- Holy Wednesday, May 1**   **Presanctified 10am    Unction 3pm    Holy Thursday Orthros 7pm**
- Holy Thursday, May 2**   **Vesperal Liturgy 10am Holy Passion with the 12 Gospel Readings 7pm**  
*GOYA girls as Myrrh-bearers*
- Holy Friday, May 3**        **Royal Hours 10am; Decoration of Epitaphios /Family Retreat**  
**Descent from the Cross 3pm; Lamentations 7pm** *HOPE/JOY girls as Myrrh-bearers*
- Holy Saturday, May 4**   **Proti Anastasi/ First Resurrection Service 10am**  
**Resurrection Orthros 11pm Resurrection Liturgy 12am**  
**Break the Fast Potluck 2am**

**THANK YOU** to our wonderful anonymous sponsor for once again offering such an amazing Palm Sunday Luncheon and of course to **Crissi & George Gianakopoulos** for preparing such a feast

**MENU**

- Honey garlic Salmon - Rice with sauteed vegetables**
- Mixed greens, apple & pistachio salad**
- peanut butter & jelly sandwiches**
- assorted Lenten desserts**



**Thank you to last Coffee Hour Sponsors:**

*Yediaras P (captain), Yaqoob, Yoder, Atiyah, Esper, Boyer,*

**Thank you to last week's ushers:**

*Alexander Michalakos (PCM)  
Dan Appling, Gigi Appling*

**Thank you to today's PALM SUNDAY Sponsors:**

*ANONYMOUS*

**Thank you to today's ushers:**

*ALL PARISH COUNCIL  
Rachelle Hareng, Michael Hareng, Allen Wynn*

**Thank you to our AGAPE PICNIC Sponsors:**

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**Next week's ushers are:**

*ALL PARISH COUNCIL*