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**AFTERFEAST OF TRANSFIGURATION**  
**HOLY APOSTLE MATTHIAS**  
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Epistle Readings**

1 Corinthians 3:9-17  
Acts 1:12-17, 21-26

**Gospel Readings**

Matthew 14:22-34  
Luke 9:1-6

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!  
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

**Troparion** (Resurrection)

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

**Troparion** (Transfiguration)

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** (Apostle)

O Holy Apostle Matthias, intercede with the merciful God to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.

**Kontakion** (Resurrection)

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

**Kontakion** (Transfiguration)

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!

**Kontakion** (Apostle)

O wonderworker and Apostle Matthias, your words have gone out into all the world, enlightening men as the sun and giving grace to the Church, bringing faith to the heathen lands.

**Metropolitan Tikhon to Celebrate the Divine Liturgy at St. Luke  
Sunday, August 29**

His Beatitude will be with us next Sunday for Divine Liturgy and for the Tonsuring of Stefan Glomazic as a Reader. Everyone is encouraged to attend this special day, to spend time with our Metropolitan/Diocesan Bishop and come to know his loving archpastoral care.



**Welcome** to everyone with us today in person and by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith, we invite you to stay for Coffee Hour to meet Fr. John and to get acquainted with us. Come join us again for prayer, study and fellowship.

**Memory Eternal +**

We pray for the souls of the newly departed Mitred Archpriest Michael Koblosh and the ever-memorable servants of God: Esteban, Harold, Rory and Roger on the 40th day of their falling asleep. *O Lord, grant rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose.*

**Dormition of the Theotokos - Fast and Feastday**

The Dormition Fast continues until the Feastday Liturgy next Sunday, August 29. Bring flowers for the traditional Blessing of Fragrant Flowers and Herbs to then enjoy at home.

**Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, August 25 – 7PM on Zoom**

Everyone is welcome to join this week's discussion on Elder Thaddeus' teaching "On Prayer" from *Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives*. Fr. John will email the link and notes.

**St. Luke 2021-22 Church School Year – Enrollment for Opening Day, September 12**

Church School Director, John Minahan, announces classes will begin on September 12. If you would like to enroll your child(ren), please email John ([john.t.minahan@gmail.com](mailto:john.t.minahan@gmail.com)) with their names and ages by August 31. He welcomes volunteers for teaching positions. More news to come on Youth Ministry and Young Adult Fellowship.

**Autumn Retreat with Archimandrite Sergius (Bowyer) – Saturday, September 18**

Fr. Sergius, abbot of St. Tikhon's Monastery, will lead a retreat on September 18, 9:30AM-3:30PM at St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church in Falls Church, VA on "Acquiring the Mind of Christ." He will be accompanied by the Wonderworking Icon of Saint Anna. RSVP at [stk.retreat@gmail.com](mailto:stk.retreat@gmail.com).

**God Grant You Many Years!**

God bless Fr. John, Adane Kassaye, Jovan Marjanovich, Hunter Whitestone and Tatiana Lucs as they celebrate their birthdays. God bless Jeremy Klein as he returns to William and Mary and Colin Chung as he begins graduate studies at Carnegie Mellon. Mnogaja ljeta!