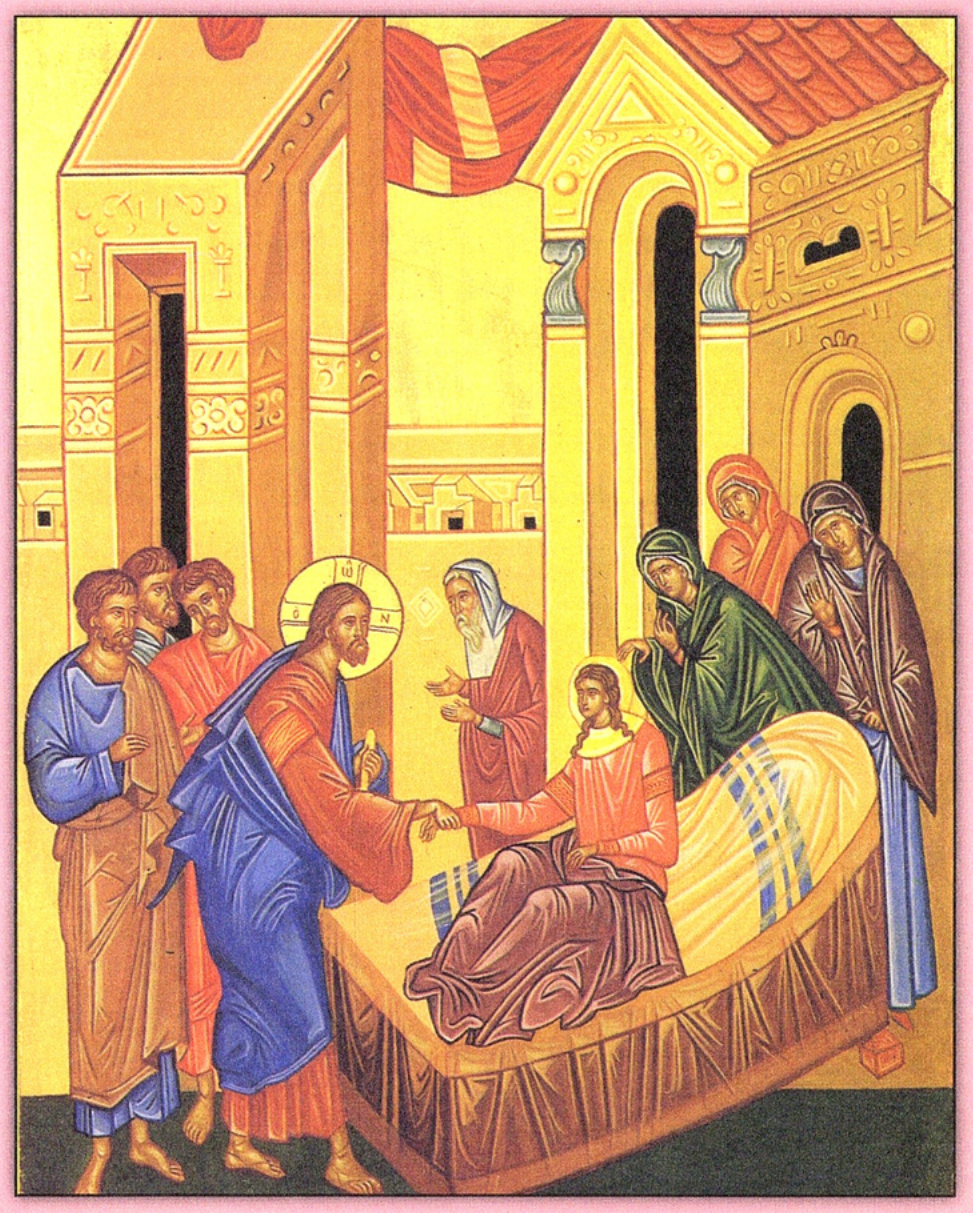
# Seventh Sunday of Luke



*Icon of the Healing of Jarius' Daughter (Luke 8:41-56)*

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## Sunday — the Lord's Day — Nov. 8, 2026

**7th Sunday of Luke | Synaxis of the Holy Archangels & Bodiless Hosts**

**Musical Mode:** Plagal of the Second Mode **First Eothinon Gospel:** Matthew 28: 16-20

**Readings of the Day:** Hebrew 2: 2-10 & Luke 8: 41-56

**Today's Saints**: Synaxis of the Archangels

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## Apolytikion of the Parish

**Μετεμορφώθης ἐν τῷ ὄρει Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, δείξας τοῖς Μαθηταῖς σου τὴν δόξαν σου, καθὼς ἠδυναντο. Λάμψον καὶ ἡμῖν τοῖς ἁμαρτωλοῖς, τὸ φῶς σου τὸ ἀΐδιον, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.**

**Metemorfóthis en to óri, Hristé o Theós, dixas tis Mathités sou, tin dóxan sou kathós idinanto; lampson ke imin tis amartolis, to fos sou to aidion, presvies tis Theotókou, Fotodóta dóxa si.**

**You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples, Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to You.**

# Today's Hymns

**Entrance Hymn. Second Mode.**

**Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ.**
**Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.**

*Please sing along with us after the Small Entrance, as you are able.*

**Resurrectional Apolytikion. Plagal of the Second Mode.**

When the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, * the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. * And standing by the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking Your immaculate body. * Unassailed by Hades, You divested it of spoils. * Then You met the Virgin. You granted life. * O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

**For the Angels. Fourth Mode.**

Chief Commanders of the heavenly armies, * we the unworthy now entreat you in earnest, * to fortify us by your supplications to the Lord, * and shelter us beneath the wings of your spiritual glory, * guarding us who run to you and fervently entreat you: * As the Commanders of the hosts on high, * rescue us faithful from dangers of every kind.

**Apolytikion of the Parish. Grave Mode.**

*[See inside front cover]*

**Kontakion. Fourth Mode.**

The Savior's most pure and immaculate temple, the very precious bridal chamber and Virgin, who is the sacred treasure of the glory of God, on this day is introduced into the House of the Lord, and with herself she brings the grace in the divine Spirit. She is extolled by the Angels of God. A heavenly tabernacle is she.

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# Where to Find information about Orthodoxy

**Trisagion Films:** On YouTube, Facebook and website, **www.trisagionfilms.com**

**Follow our Podcasts:** ***"An Imperfect Podcast"*** **-** You can now listen to the entire series on iTunes, Spotify, GooglePlay, PlayerFM, and Sticher. You can find the entire series on iTunes here as well**: http://tinyurl.com/y5ved9lk**

For audio of spiritual discussions: **Ancient Faith Radio - www.ancientfaith.com**

Visit our **Church Bookstore** for books, icons and other spiritual items for your home.

Visit our **Library** at **https://holytransfiguration.info/ministries/education/library/**
To learn more about the Orthodox Faith or schedule an appointment with a priest, email the church office at **office@holytransfiguration.info**.

# Epistle Reading for the Lord's Day

**Epistle Reading for the Archangels**
**Hebrews 2: 2-10**

Brethren, if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels, thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

**Ἀπόστολος τῶν Ταξιαρχῶν**
**Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 2.2-10**

Ἀδελφοί, εἰ ὁ δι' ἀγγέλων λαληθεὶς λόγος ἐγένετο βέβαιος, καὶ πᾶσα παράβασις καὶ παρακοὴ ἔλαβεν ἔνδικον μισθαποδοσίαν, πῶς ἡμεῖς ἐκφευξόμεθα τηλικαύτης ἀμελήσαντες σωτηρίας; Ἥτις, ἀρχὴν λαβοῦσα λαλεῖσθαι διὰ τοῦ κυρίου, ὑπὸ τῶν ἀκουσάντων εἰς ἡμᾶς ἐβεβαιώθη, συνεπιμαρτυροῦντος τοῦ θεοῦ σημείοις τε καὶ τέρασιν, καὶ ποικίλαις δυνάμεσιν, καὶ πνεύματος ἁγίου μερισμοῖς, κατὰ τὴν αὐτοῦ θέλησιν. Οὐ γὰρ ἀγγέλοις ὑπέταξεν τὴν οἰκουμένην τὴν μέλλουσαν, περὶ ἧς λαλοῦμεν. Διεμαρτύρατο δέ πού τις λέγων, Τί ἐστιν ἄνθρωπος, ὅτι μιμνήσκῃ αὐτοῦ; Ἢ υἱὸς ἀνθρώπου, ὅτι ἐπισκέπτῃ αὐτόν; Ἠλάττωσας αὐτὸν βραχύ τι παρ' ἀγγέλους· δόξῃ καὶ τιμῇ ἐστεφάνωσας αὐτόν· πάντα ὑπέταξας ὑποκάτω τῶν ποδῶν αὐτοῦ. Ἐν γὰρ τῷ ὑποτάξαι αὐτῷ τὰ πάντα, οὐδὲν ἀφῆκεν αὐτῷ ἀνυπότακτον. Νῦν δὲ οὔπω ὁρῶμεν αὐτῷ τὰ πάντα ὑποτεταγμένα. Τὸν δὲ βραχύ τι παρ' ἀγγέλους ἠλαττωμένον βλέπομεν Ἰησοῦν, διὰ τὸ πάθημα τοῦ θανάτου δόξῃ καὶ τιμῇ ἐστεφανωμένον, ὅπως χάριτι θεοῦ ὑπὲρ παντὸς γεύσηται θανάτου. Ἔπρεπεν γὰρ αὐτῷ, δι' ὃν τὰ πάντα, καὶ δι' οὗ τὰ πάντα, πολλοὺς υἱοὺς εἰς δόξαν ἀγαγόντα, τὸν ἀρχηγὸν τῆς σωτηρίας αὐτῶν διὰ παθημάτων τελειῶσαι.

# Gospel Reading for the Lord's Day

**Gospel of the Seventh Sunday of Luke**
**Luke 8.41-56**

In those days, there came a man named Ja'irus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

**Εὐαγγέλιον Κυριακῆς ζ΄**
**Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 8.41-56**

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἄνθρωπός τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰάειρος, καὶ αὐτὸς ἄρχων τῆς συναγωγῆς ὑπῆρχε· καὶ πεσὼν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, ὅτι θυγάτηρ μονογενὴς ἦν αὐτῷ ὡς ἐτῶν δώδεκα, καὶ αὕτη ἀπέθνησκεν. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὄχλοι συνέπνιγον αὐτόν. καὶ γυνὴ οὖσα ἐν ῥύσει αἵματος ἀπὸ ἐτῶν δώδεκα, ἥτις ἰατροῖς προσαναλώσασα ὅλον τὸν βίον οὐκ ἴσχυσεν ὑπ᾽ οὐδενὸς θεραπευθῆναι, προσελθοῦσα ὄπισθεν ἥψατο τοῦ κρασπέδου τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ παραχρῆμα ἔστη ἡ ῥύσις τοῦ αἵματος αὐτῆς. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς· τίς ὁ ἁψάμενός μου; ἀρνουμένων δὲ πάντων εἶπεν ὁ Πέτρος καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, οἱ ὄχλοι συνέχουσί σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσι, καὶ λέγεις τίς ὁ ἁψάμενός μου; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· ἥψατό μού τις· ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔγνων δύναμιν ἐξελθοῦσαν ἀπ᾽ ἐμοῦ. ἰδοῦσα δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθε, τρέμουσα ἦλθε καὶ προσπεσοῦσα αὐτῷ δι᾽ ἣν αἰτίαν ἥψατο αὐτοῦ ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτῷ ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ, καὶ ὡς ἰάθη παραχρῆμα. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· θάρσει, θύγατερ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε· πορεύου εἰς εἰρήνην. Ἔτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεταί τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγώγου λέγων αὐτῷ ὅτι τέθνηκεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου· μὴ σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ λέγων· μὴ φοβοῦ· μόνον πίστευε, καὶ σωθήσεται. ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφῆκεν εἰσελθεῖν οὐδένα εἰ μὴ Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ τὸν πατέρα τῆς παιδὸς καὶ τὴν μητέρα. ἔκλαιον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκόπτοντο αὐτήν. ὁ δὲ εἶπε· μὴ κλαίετε· οὐκ ἀπέθανεν, ἀλλὰ καθεύδει. καὶ κατεγέλων αὐτοῦ, εἰδότες ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. αὐτὸς δὲ ἐκβαλὼν ἔξω πάντας καὶ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφώνησε λέγων· ἡ παῖς, ἐγείρου. καὶ ἐπέστρεψε τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνέστη παραχρῆμα, καὶ διέταξεν αὐτῇ δοθῆναι φαγεῖν. καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῖς. ὁ δὲ παρήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς μηδενὶ εἰπεῖν τὸ γεγονός.

**Parish Council On Duty:** Harry Catrakilis/Andy Green
**Greeters On Duty:** Tammy Dionas/Kate Sklikas
**Ushers On Duty:** Patrick Hartnett/Ann Zakreski/Jamie Hughes/Ana Sparages
**Simpson Shuttle Drivers:** Danny Vlahiotis/Tim Rury/Dawn Mavromatidis
**Prosforo Bakers:** Penny Miltiades/Kim Moustoukas/Maro Neocleous/Kally Niarchos

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| Sun. Nov. 8 | **Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & other Bodiless Hosts** | |
| | 8:45 am | Orthros |
| | 10:00 am | Divine Liturgy |
| | 11:15 am | Youth Catechism classes-PLC Classrooms |
| | 11:30 am | Second Sunday YA Class & Discussion-Lighthouse |
| | 12:30 pm | Stewardship Kick-off Luncheon-PLC Banquet Hall |
| | 12:30 pm | GOYA WYR Boys Basketball Practice-PLC Gym |
| | 5:30 pm | Great Vespers-St. Nektarios of Aegina |
| Mon. Nov. 9 | **Feast of St. Nektarios of Aegina** | |
| | 9:00 am | Orthros |
| | 10:00 am | Divine Liturgy |
| | Artoklasia is given by the Bournias & Yiannovits families. | |
| | 1:00 pm | Office Opens |
| | 5:30 pm | Greek School Classes-PLC Classrooms |
| Tue. Nov. 10 | 8:20 am | TOA Divine Liturgy & Fellowship |
| | 9:35 am | TOA Classes-PLC Classrooms |
| | 10:45 am | Kafenion-PLC Atrium |
| | 1:00 pm | St. Nektarios Harvest Festival hosted by TOA |
| | 7:00 pm | Mixed Choir Practice-Church Sanctuary |
| Wed. Nov. 11 | 10:00 am | Chair Exercise Program-PLC Classroom #127 |
| | 11:00 am | Bible Study of Ephesians-PLC Library/St. Basil Conf. |
| | 5:30 pm | Greek School Classes-PLC Classrooms |
| | 6:30 pm | Fall Festival hosted by GOYA-Amphitheater |
| Thur. Nov. 12 | 8:20 am | TOA Divine Liturgy & Fellowship |
| | 9:35 am | TOA Classes-PLC Classrooms |
| | 6:00 pm | Great Vespers |
| | 7:00 pm | Men's Choir Practice-Sanctuary |
| | 7:00 pm | Philoptochos Board Meeting-PLC Library |
| | **Feast of St. John Chrysostom** | |
| Fri. Nov. 13 | 9:00 am | Orthros |
| | 10:00 am | Divine Liturgy |
| | 1:00 pm | Office Opens |
| Sat. Nov. 14 | 5:00 pm | Great Vespers |

**See full calendar for the rest of the schedule:** www.holytransfiguration.info/calendar

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Greeters Needed:** Greeters welcome visitors, answer questions, and introduce newcomers to our church and ministries. No experience is needed; training is provided. Serve approximately once every six weeks. Interested? Contact Pat Koutouzis at koutouzisjd@comcast.net or 404-542-1924.

**Christmas Remembrance:** Members of GOYA will be in the PLC Lobby collecting names and donations for the **Parish Christmas Card** (deadline for submissions is Sun. Nov. 29) and will also have a flyer for the **Christmas Poinsettias** (deadline for submissions is Mon. Dec. 14). Scan above QR code to see flyer.

**Annual Stewardship Luncheon: Sun. Nov. 8,** immediately following the Divine Liturgy in the PLC. There is no cost for this meal.

**Fall Festival hosted by GOYA**: Everyone is invited to the Fall Festival hosted by GOYA on **Wed. Nov. 11** at 6:30 pm. Join us for a Paraklesis service followed by food and fun activities in the amphitheater. Sign up to bring a dish: https://tinyurl.com/yh6n45bv. Scan above QR code to see flyer.

**General Parish Assembly Meeting: Sun. Nov. 15**, immediately following the Divine Liturgy in the PLC. A light meal will be provided. Please note: In order to be eligible to vote, you must have filled out a 2026 or 2027 Membership/Stewardship form and be a baptized/chrismated Eastern Orthodox Christian.

**TOA Open House: Thur. Nov. 19, 10:15 am-12:00 pm.** Meet the staff, curriculum overview, campus tour, Q & A session. RSVP at **tinyurl.com/toaopenhouse**. Scan above QR code to see flyer.

**Philoptochos Christmas Party:** Save the Date. Annual Christmas party in the PLC Atrium on **Thu. Dec. 3**. Details to come soon!

**Greek School Holiday Bake Sale: Sun. Dec. 13** in the Lobby of the Parish Life Center after Divine Liturgy. Scan above QR code to see flyer.

**Cartersville Divine Liturgy:** All are invited to the Orthodox Divine Liturgy in Cartersville, GA on **Sat. Dec. 19 at 10:00 am** at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 850 Douthit Ferry Rd, Cartersville, GA 30120.

**Blessing of the Animals:** Join us with your pet on **Sun. Dec. 20** at 3:30pm in the upper PLC lobby for the blessing of the animals in honor of St. Modestos, Protector of Animals. Scan above QR code to see flyer.

**Winter Youth Rally:** Registration is open for all 7th-12th graders that are Orthodox Christians in the Metropolis of Atlanta. The WYR will be held in Atlanta, GA, Sun.-Wed., Dec. 27- 30. **Registration deadline is Mon. Nov. 30th.** Contact Rebecca Zavala at **beccamatinaz@gmail.com** with questions.

## RECURRING MINISTRY EVENTS

**Adult Bible Study:** next meets on **Wed. Nov. 11, 11:00 am-12:30 pm** and continues every Wednesday through Nov. 18. Fr. John will lead the meeting in the PLC Library. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Chair Exercise Program:** Our next meeting will be **Wed. Nov. 11, at 10:00 am** in PLC Classroom #127. Please text Ann Zakreski at 770.329.7421 if you plan to come.

**DivorceCare Support Group**: Divorced? Separated? 13-week support group series. **SESSIONS DISCONTINUED**. If you have questions, please contact program leader Alina Fortis - ph: 312-388-1484, email: **coachingwithalina@gmail.com**.

**GOYA (6th-12th)**: Bi-Weekly meetings for fun and fellowship on Wednesdays. Email **goya@holytransfiguration.info** to join our email list. **Next meeting Nov. 11 (Fall Festival).**

**Greek School:** Greek language and culture classes for youth and adults, funded through tuition. **The 2026-2027 school year began Monday, Aug. 24**. Additional offerings: Private & Semi-Private Lessons and Biblical Greek classes. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Hellenic Dance:** Greek dance troupes for Pre-K through adults. Email Paulina Vastakis at **hellenicdance@holytransfiguration.info** with questions.

**Hope & Joy (K-5th):** Members will be serving a Thanksgiving Meal at St. John the Wonderworker on **Sat. Nov. 25.** Scan above QR code to access ministry info.

**Mixed Choir:** Next practice **Tues. Nov. 10** from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Church.

**Men's Choir**: Next practice **Thur. Nov. 12 & 19** from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Church. Singing the Divine Liturgy on **Sun. Nov. 22.**

**Parea:** Our next meeting is on **Thur. Nov. 19**. Join us as all are welcome.

**Philoptochos 2026 Membership Drive:** renew or join for the first time, **https://holytransfiguration.info/philoptochos**

**Philoptochos Book Club:** Calling ALL Book Lovers! Come join the Philoptochos Book Club! We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 11 am in the PLC Library followed by optional lunch out. ALL book lover readers are welcomed to come. **NEXT MEETING - Tue. Dec. 1,** at 11:00 am**.** Book - *The Little Liar* by Mitch Albom.

**Spiritual Book Club:** Watch the free movie *Mysteries of the Jesus Prayer* (**https://tinyurl.com/2j974dpr**) then join us on **Mon. Nov. 16 at 7pm** in the PLC Library to discuss it. Email **mgavalas@holytransfiguration.info** to register. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Young Adults** in their 20's and 30's meet twice a month for continuing education & fellowship. Want to learn more? Join the HTGOC Young Adults GroupMe chat for notifications on events. Contact: Fr. Chris (**frchris@holytransfiguration.info**) or Ministry Lead (**youngadults@holytransfiguration.info**).
**Next meeting: Sun. Nov. 8**(Second Sunday after communion in the Lighthouse).
**Other events:** Diakonia Retreat, Jan. 15-17 at the Alexios Retreat Center in Salem, SC

**Youth Catechism**: for children ages 3 years old through 12 grade. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED** - SEE YOUTH MINISTRIES REGISTRATION - SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE.

## LINKS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2026 Annual Membership Campaign:** see the Stewardship section to learn more.

**Holy Transfiguration Endowment:** Donations now being accepted to the Holy Transfiguration Endowment. To learn more about Planned Giving and the Endowment, visit **https://holytransfiguration.info/endowment**. Remember the Endowment in your will and estate planning. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Clergy or Pastoral Assistant Home Visit:** Are you or someone you know unable to attend church due to illness or some other reason? Would you or someone you know like a visit from a member of our clergy team or lay volunteer? Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Driver Ministry:** The Driver Ministry is here to support our parish family by offering transportation to those who need assistance getting to: Medical/personal appts., Grocery stores/errands, Church services/parish events, & other essential local needs. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Simpson Shuttle Drivers Needed:** 1-hour shifts on Sunday to transport people from Simpson Middle School. Must be 21+ yrs. old. If interested, send just your name and cell number to Steve Tingas at 770-845-5045 or **stingas@holytransfiguration.info**.

**Fellowship Hour Sponsorship** is a great way to honor someone's birthday, nameday, memory, or a significant event with your church family. For ministries, it is a great opportunity to bring awareness to your group and gain members. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

**Parish Life Committee Seeks Team Members!** Parish Life, the behind-the-scenes group that brings the community together, is looking for volunteers to help with Sunday coffee hour and other events. Please contact:
Eleni: **EReese@holytransfiguration.info**
Cherie: **CCookorinis@holytransfiguration.info**
Lela: **LBridgers@holytransfiguration.info**

**Philoptochos Assistance:** If you or someone who's part of your community is in need, Philoptochos is here to help. Please contact Jamie Hughes at 770-710-7733 or **jahughes421@gmail.com** for details.

**Phishing Scam Awareness:** The church (priests, staff, Parish Council, ministry leads) will NEVER email or text asking you to buy gift cards or send money for any reason. If you receive such a message, IT IS A SCAM. Please disregard the request and report it to the church office (**office@holytransfiguration.info** or 770-924-8080). Always verify requests for financial assistance through direct communication with the church office. Protect yourself, your personal information, fellow parishioners, & the church by being cautious of these fraudulent attempts.

**Donate to Focus Atlanta:** FOCUS Atlanta serves food to the homeless every weekday at St. John the Wonderworker in Atlanta. Please support their efforts. Visit **focusna.org/give** to donate. Scan above QR code to access flyer.

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Scan the QR code on the previous page to access announcements & flyers on Ministry News page.




## SO YOU KNOW

| GENERAL FUND (GF) INCOME AND EXPENSES 01/01/26–11/05/26 | |
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| Stewardship Contributions: | $769,407 |
| Other GF Income: | $235,589 |
| Total GF Income | $1,004,996 |
| Total GF Expenses: | —$1,033,899 |
| Net General Fund Balance: | —$28,903 |
| **2026 STEWARDSHIP REPORT AS OF 11/05/26** | |
| # of Pledged Households: | 501 |
| 2026 Budget: | $1,033,237 |
| Total Pledge Amount: | $990,913 |
| Stewardship Shortfall: | —$42,324 |

# 2026 Stewardship Campaign

**How to submit your 2026 Membership/Stewardship Card:**

**1. PAPER**: Grab a paper Stewardship form from a Parish Council member in the Narthex on Sunday. You may mail back the completed paper form to the Church or drop the completed form in the offering tray.

**2. ONLINE**: You may complete the Online Membership/Stewardship Form on the website's Stewardship page (**https://holytransfiguration.info/join/**).

**3. SCAN**: use this QR code. Simply point your camera at the QR code and click the yellow link that appears in the image frame.

## Keep up to date on Ministry News

1. **To keep up with events digitally, please register** with our email database if you haven't already at **https://tinyurl.com/yudcpubr**. If you're on our list, make sure you've added office@holytransfiguration.info to your safe senders list and contact list.
2. **Ministry News** is emailed every Wednesday complete with flyers and details about special events, recurring ministries, and events beyond Holy Transfiguration. Scan the QR code on the right to access the most recent email.
3. The **Church Website** has an up-to-date calendar and ministry pages and can be found at **https://holytransfiguration.info**.
4. **Weekend Email** with livestream links and a weekend schedule reminder goes out every Friday.
5. Check out the **Ministry Bulletin Boards** on the upper and lower level of the Parish Life Center for details about upcoming events.

## Receiving Holy Communion

Orthodox Christians who have prepared spiritually are invited to come forward "with the fear of God, with faith, and with love" to receive Holy Communion. Non-Orthodox Christians may receive the blessed bread (*antidoron*) offered at the conclusion of the service, but not Holy Communion. They may come up to receive a blessing during Holy Communion if they wish. Preparation for Holy Communion includes confession of sins (even of sinful thoughts) and repentance, making peace with those around us, forgiving those who hurt us, asking for forgiveness from those we have hurt, and prayer. There is a special set of prayers called "Preparation for Holy Communion" to help prepare. If you have further questions regarding the proper preparation for Holy Communion, please speak with Fr. Michael.

### *Two Miracles Attest that Jesus is the Resurrection and Life*

Christ foreknew His mystery, even before the foundations of the world. It was in the last ages of the world that He arose for the inhabitants of earth. Having borne the sin of the world, He abolished both it and death, which is its consequence and was brought upon us by its means. He plainly said, "I am the resurrection and the life," and "he who believes in me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death unto life." We will see this fulfilled in facts. The ruler of the synagogue of the Jews came near and, embracing the Savior's knees, begged Him to deliver his daughter from the bonds of death. Look, she already was brought down to this and was in extreme danger! The Savior consented and set out with him. He was even hurrying on to the house of the one who invited Him and was aware that what was being done would profit many of those who followed Him and would also be for His own glory. On the way, He saved the woman who was the victim of a severe and incurable malady. No one could stop her issue of blood that ruined the art of physicians. No sooner had she touched the hem in faith, than He immediately healed her. A miracle so glorious and revealed was, so to speak, the work merely of Christ's journey.

*St. Cyril of Alexandria*