

# Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. Oct. 27, 2024 9:00am **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**

**TODAY'S READINGS:** II Cor. 9:6-11 Luke 8:26-39

## WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today: Coffee Hour  
Tue. Oct. 29 5:30pm Daily Vespers  
Thu. Oct. 31 5:00pm OCF Vespers, Lovett Room Battell Chapel  
Sat. Nov. 2 Great Vespers, **canceled**  
Sun. Nov. 3 9:00am **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, with Fr. Sergius Halvorsen**  
II Cor. 11:31-12:9 Luke 8:41-56

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

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**Celebrations:** Birthdays: **Barbara** Sivigny, Nov. 3. Many years!

**Pray for:** **Nancy** Muro who is at Artis Senior Living, Branford; **Tatiana** Oji is at Orange Care Center, **Maria** Scheirer is at Elim Long-term care, Cheshire. **Carole** Rossick and **George** Jafferis, continue in cancer treatment.

**Memory eternal:** **Evelyn** Leake went to her repose, a former parishioner, becoming part of St. Alexis community. Also **Archpriest Dennis** Swencki, who worked with Fr. Steven at St. Tikhon's.

**Orthodox Charity of the Month** In October we will be supporting **St. George Mission**, in Edenton, NC, where Bishop Benedict served as priest. To donate by check, simply put "Charity of the Month" in the memo line.

## Men's Reading Group:

Continues weekly on Thursday mornings at 7:15am. We are currently studying St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. Just click on the link [here](#) to join us.

**Bylaw Changes:** Due to changes in the process for working with suggested bylaw changes, we need to start this portion of our annual meeting prep earlier. **Between now and Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>**, if you have a **suggested Bylaw change**, or **would like to serve on this committee**, please contact [Barbara Sivigny](#), Committee Chair.

**Coffee Hour:** To assist in preparations for upcoming coffee hours, here is the link to the [sign-up sheet](#) Please communicate your plan to bring what you are able to in coordinating with others and share with parish faithful. Please remember to give your feedback related to kitchen renovation!

## From our Generous Giving Committee

- Each October, 9-month giving statements are provided so that our parishioners can determine whether their giving for the year is on track to fulfill their pledge/intended total offering. These will be distributed in church and mailed to those who are absent.
- It is also time to begin contemplating your pledge for the coming year. Each Sunday in October, a special graphic will be shared to assist you in your discernment. Please take some time to contemplate the meaning of our vibrant parish life you have access to, and plan your support accordingly.

## Memorial Service:

On Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 4:30pm, we will be celebrating a Memorial Service for **Walter, Louise**, and **Debra** Shimchick. Debra led the last replacement of the church carpeting, and her parents, as well as their son David, offered generous donations for our most current replacement. As not all family members could attend the service on Oct. 19, they will be with us in November. Memory eternal.

## Fr. Steven will be traveling in early November:

Fr. Steven will be making a trip to Singapore in November, leaving on November 1, and returning on November 9<sup>th</sup>. He is the sole surviving mentor of four chaplain trainers there. He will be recognizing their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ministry training, and assisting in certifying new trainers who will continue the work upon their retirement. Fr. Sergius Halvorsen will be celebrating Liturgy on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**St. Nektarios Feast Celebration:** Each year the feast of St. Nektarios is celebrated by Christ the Savior Church, in Southbury, CT. This year's celebration will be on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm, and His Grace, Bishop Benedict will lead the celebration.

Храмовые службы теперь благословляются дважды в неделю. Щелкните [здесь](#), чтобы запросить посещение церковной службы.

(Видеозаписи домашних вечерних служб доступны [здесь](#) на нашем сайте.)

Воск 9:00 Литургия – 18-я Неделя по Пятидесятница –

[Второе Послание к Коринфянам 9:6-11 и от Луки 8:26-39]

Су 17:00 Великая Вечерня, Отменена

Воск 9:00 Литургия – 19-я Неделя по Пятидесятница –

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