

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. Feb. 2, 2025 9:00am 32nd Sunday of Pentecost: **Feast of the Meeting of the Lord in the Temple**; Zacchaeus Sunday; Annual Parish Meeting

TODAY'S READINGS:

I Tim. 4:9-15 Luke 19:1-10
Heb. 7:7-17 (Meeting) Luke 2:22-40

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today: Coffee Hour,
Tue. Feb. 4 5:30pm Daily Vespers
Thu. Feb. 6 5:00pm OCF Vespers, Lovett Room Battell Chapel
Sat. Feb. 8 3:00pm Church School
5:00pm Great Vespers, Confessions
Sun. Feb. 9 9:00am 33rd Sunday of Pentecost: **Leavetaking of Meeting Feast, Sunday Of the Publican and the Pharisee**
II Tim. 3:10-15 Luke 18:10-14
Heb. 7:7-17 (Meeting) Luke 2:22-40
Chili Cookoff

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

Celebrations: Birthdays: **Zia** (Johanna G-daughter, 3rd); **Richard** Asarisi 7th. **Nancy Ann** Muro, Name's Day, Feb. 3rd. Many years!

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

Orthodox Charity of the Month: In February we will be supporting **Zoe for Life**. is a Christian ministry which affirms the value of all life by providing nonjudgmental, confidential support and education during and after an unplanned pregnancy. Please be generous. 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.

House Blessing Sign-up: The sign-up sheet for the blessing of homes is at the candle desk or [here](#).

Annual Parish Meeting, Third Official Notice: The 2025 annual parish meeting will be on **Sunday, February 2nd** following the Divine Liturgy, beginning in the hall after coffee hour. We will be receiving reports, approving a budget for the year, electing parish council officers and members, and discussing old and new business for the good of our parish. As indicated in our parish by-laws, voting members of the parish are those who have participated in the holy sacraments of Confession and Communion in our parish at least once during 2024, and are pledging members. Materials will be available electronically. Please also see the small change proposed to our bylaws. This third official notice is printed in today's bulletin, posted on our website and announced aloud in church.

Feast of the Meeting of the Lord in the Temple

"The Christmas-Epiphany season comes to an end with this feast, forty days after the feast of the Savior's birth. ... The conclusion of this festival brings to a close the liturgical cycle which began at the beginning of the Christmas fast.

When the Lord Jesus is brought by His parents to the woman Anna. This meeting is spiritually and theologically significant. It tells us that the two covenants have now met: Israel has accomplished its God-given task in producing the Messiah. The promises made to Abraham in the beginning of the nation's calling have now been fulfilled. Israel's glory has dawned in the person of Christ who is now encountered in the world as the 'light of revelation to the Gentiles.' In Him the whole world is illumined and saved." (Hopko, Thomas, *The Winter Pascha*, SVS Press, 1984, pp. 170—171)

Plans are underway again for a **Chili Cookoff**, on **Sunday Feb. 9** (Superbowl Sunday) after Divine Liturgy. A signup document has been prepared for those who wish to participate. The link is [here](#). There is also a poster in the Church school with details and a QR code attached. Non-competitors are asked to donate a can of soup/ food. All donations will go to the local 'Food Bank'. Monetary Donations are also welcome.

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

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

Сегодня- Литургия- 32-я Неделя по Пятидесятница, Сретение Господне

[Первое Послание к Тимофею 4:9-15 и от Луки 19:1-10]

[Послание к Евреям 7:7-17 и от Луки 2:22-40]

Ежегодный Приходское Собрание

Су 15:00 Церковная школа

17:00 Великая Вечерня, Исповедь

Воск. 9:00 Литургия Притча о Сборщике Налогов и Фарисейском Воскресенье;

Оставив Сретение Господне

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