

# Theosis: Steps to Transformation

## with Abbot Sergius



Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm Vespers

7:00 pm Session 1: How to Live a Spiritual Life in a Modern World

8:30 pm Reception

Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

10:30 am Continental Breakfast

11:00 am Session 2: Steps to Spiritual Transformation

12:30 am Lunch

2:00 pm Session 3: Steps to Spiritual Transformation 2

3:30 pm Break

4:00 pm Resurrectional Vigil

6:00 pm Dinner

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

8:50 Prayers Before Communion

8:55 Church School

9:10 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hour

9:30 Divine Liturgy – Homily by Abbot Sergius

Please come and join us at St John on the Ladder Orthodox Church as we listen to Fr Sergius discuss Theosis. Fr. Igumen Sergius, the current Abbot of St. Tikhon's which is America's oldest Orthodox Monastery founded in 1905, grew up Catholic in San Jose CA most of his life. He eventually converted to Orthodoxy in the mid-late 90's and went to join St. John of Shanghai Monastery in 1998, a Monastery which was established and run by the former Metropolitan Jonah, Primate of the Orthodox Church in America. After being sent to St. Tikhon's in 2000, Fr. Sergius studied Theology and Church Music and received a Master of Divinity. He continued on at the Seminary as the head of the Music Program after graduation and was ordained priest in 2008 and elected Abbot of the Monastery in 2009. He has traveled extensively in his time at St. Tikhon's, giving talks, retreats and leading the St. Tikhon's Seminary Choir for almost a decade across much of North America. His current music project can be seen on line at [www.orthodoxtwopartmusic.org](http://www.orthodoxtwopartmusic.org) along with the Monastery website [www.sttikhonsmonastery.org](http://www.sttikhonsmonastery.org).

All sessions and services will be held in the nave at St John of the Ladder Orthodox Church, 701 Augusta Arbor Way, Piedmont (Greenville), SC. Seating is limited, so please contact Fr. Thaddaeus Werner at [fr.thad.werner@gmail.com](mailto:fr.thad.werner@gmail.com) or 864-299-1140 to RSVP. There is no cost to attend, but a free will offering for the monastery and the meals will be taken.

For more information on St Tikhon's Monastery please visit [www.sttikhonsmonastery.org](http://www.sttikhonsmonastery.org).

For more information on St John of the Ladder, please visit [www.stjohnoftheladder.org](http://www.stjohnoftheladder.org).