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Denver Debreselam Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church Feasts and Service Hours

The Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church, a part of the Oriental Orthodox tradition, embraces the teachings of the Old and New Testaments, following the doctrine of Jesus Christ and the teachings of His Apostles. Our church conducts a variety of religious services and commemorates numerous feasts throughout the year.

Regular Service Hours:

- **Saturday Divine Liturgy:** 6:00 AM – 9:00 AM
- **Sunday Divine Liturgy:** 5:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- **Sermon:** Following Divine Liturgy
- **Sunday School Services:** For children and youth following Divine Liturgy

Holiday Service Hours:

- **Christmas Service (Eve to Christmas Morning):** 6:00 PM – 3:00 AM
- **Easter Service (Eve to Easter Morning):** 6:00 PM – 3:00 AM
- **Feast of Our Savior:** 3:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- **Feast of St. Michael, Archangel:** 3:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- **Feast of St. Teklehaimont:** 3:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- **Feast of St. John, the Baptist:** 3:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Other Services Offered:



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- **Baptism (Saturday or Sunday)**
- **Holy Matrimony (Saturday or Sunday)**
- **Memorial Service (Any day)**
- **Spiritual Counseling (Any day)**

Special Notes:

- **Transfiguration, Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Ascension of Jesus Christ, and Pentecost:** Dates vary.
- **Assumption of the Virgin Mary:** August 22nd
- **Founding of the True Cross** (September 28th) and **Epiphany, the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus Christ** (January 19th): These two feasts are outdoor celebrations.
- **Great Lent:** During this fasting season, morning and evening prayers are conducted on weekdays until Easter celebration.
- **Summer Program for Children and Youth:** This is a five-week intensive faith building and Amharic instruction program offered from mid-June to mid-July.

Holiday Celebrations: During major holidays, church attendance peaks, with an average of 400-500 attendees. Meals are prepared on-site at our commercial kitchen facility, and celebrants are served following services.

We welcome all members and visitors to join us in worship and celebration of our faith. Please refer to our announcements and schedule for any updates or changes to our service hours.



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Church Kitchen Operations Plan

Our church observes numerous holidays and feasts in honor of Our Lord Jesus Christ, St. Mary, the saints, and angels.

For these occasions, we often invite members from other churches, and a meal is served. We also hold agape meals to foster fellowship and community. For all these events, church members prepare meals on-site using our commercial kitchen facility; no commercial food delivery is involved. The kitchen is also used for celebrations such as high school and college graduations.