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SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

***SUNDAY OF THE HOLY MYRRHBEARING WOMEN,  
NOBLE JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA AND NICODEMUS***  
THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA

**Epistle Reading**  
Acts 6:1-7

**Gospel Reading**  
Mark 15:43-16:8

Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen!  
Hristos voskrece! Voistinu voskrece!  
Christos anesti! Alithos anesti!  
Kristos Tänäsa! Awon Tänäsa!

**CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD, TRAMPLING DOWN DEATH BY DEATH,  
AND UPON THOSE IN THE TOMBS BESTOWING LIFE!**

**Troparia**

The Noble Joseph, when he had taken down Your most pure Body from the tree, wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices, and placed it in a new tomb. But You did rise on the third day, O Lord, granting the world great mercy.

The angel came to the myrrhbearing women at the tomb and said: Myrrh is meet for the dead; but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption! So proclaim: the Lord is risen, granting the world great mercy!

**Kontakion**

You did command the myrrh-bearers to rejoice, O Christ! By Your Resurrection, You did stop the lamentation of Eve, O God! You did command Your apostles to preach: The Savior is Risen!

**Prayers for Health**

We continue to pray for Maggie Sledge who is hospitalized following surgery.

**Welcome to our Guests**

We offer a warm welcome to all guests who with us today. Please join us for Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life. You are always welcome in our worship, fellowship, study and charity outreach.

**Memory Eternal ~ Večnaja pamjat +**

We remember in prayer St. Luke member, Nick Wultich, and Michele Karabin's father, Richard Trudeau, forty days since their repose, and Gloria Hreczuck on her third anniversary. "With the saints give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants, where there is neither sickness nor sorrow, nor sighing, but life everlasting!"

**Faith in Action Meeting**

There will be a brief Faith in Action meeting at Coffee Hour today to discuss a future charity project. Anyone interested is welcome to join in.

**Housing Need**

Our faithful parishioner, Letezgu Mekonnen, will need a new place to live starting in August. If you or someone you know has a room to rent, please discuss it with Fr. John or Donna Karabin.

**Vespers and Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, April 25, 7:00-8:30PM**

Vespers will be served this Wednesday followed by a group discussion on "The Heavenly Banquet, Understanding the Divine Liturgy" by Fr. Emanuel Hatzidakis.

**Pan-Orthodox Singles "Post Pascha Party" – Sunday, April 29**

The Singles' Pascha Party is next Sunday, April 29 from 3 to 7PM at 6313 Young Buck Circle, Columbia, MD 21045. There are no entrance fees; donations are welcomed. RSVP to dianahav@earthlink.net or 703-593-2176.

**Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Taskforce**

NVHTT brings awareness to human trafficking taking place in Northern Virginia with the hope that local Churches and the community will mobilize to partner with the Task Force to eradicate trafficking. They provide hope and restoration to clients through mentoring, advocacy and crisis response. An event is planned for April 27-28 in Chantilly, VA. See the posted flyer.

**God Grant You Many Years!**

God bless Mimi Bidy and Carolyn Connor on their birthdays! Mnogaja ljeta!