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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019
FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
1 Corinthians 1:18-24

Gospel Reading
John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion for the Exaltation of the Precious and Life-giving Cross

O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance. Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries. And by virtue of Your Cross, preserve Your habitation.

Kontakion As You were voluntarily raised upon the cross for our sake, grant mercy to those who are called by Your Name, O Christ God; make all Orthodox Christians glad by Your power, granting them victories over their adversaries, by bestowing on them the Invincible trophy, Your weapon of Peace.

**† Before Thy Cross, we bow down in worship, O Master, †
and Thy holy Resurrection, we glorify.**

Thank You from the OCA Washington, DC Archdiocese

Our parish hosted the 2019 diocesan meeting yesterday. Special thanks go to the Sisterhood for providing lunch and other refreshments. Metropolitan Tikhon and representatives from the local sister parishes attended. Fr. John is the Chancellor.

The Garrett Family Leaving for London

Grant, O Lord, a peaceful life, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things to the Garrett Family: Beau (George), Elena, Rurik, Sofia, Luke and Justina. Keep and preserve them for Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta! We will anticipate their return.

Welcome to Our Guests

We offer a warm welcome to all guests who are 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.

Vespers and Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, October 2 - 7-8:30PM

Wednesday Vespers begins at 7PM. Afterwards Fr. John will lead a discussion on the Gospel of Mark following Fr. Lawrence Farley's commentary.

LYRA Choral Performance – Friday, October 4

LYRA, an a cappella group of four professional singers from St. Petersburg, is touring the USA and will be performing a free concert of Russian Orthodox Church and Russian folk music; United Christian Parish, 11508 North Shore Drive, Reston, VA 20190.

“First Saturday of the Month” ~ Great Vespers – October 5

Great Vespers will be served at 5PM this Saturday. Come and be a part of the evening prayers and Old Testament readings in preparation for Sunday's Liturgy.

“First Sunday of the Month” – October 6

- Faith in Action Food for the Needy – Please help hungry low-income families by donating non-perishable canned and boxed foods
- Potluck Coffee Hour – Please bring an entrée, side dish, salad or dessert to share

St. Tikhon's Orthodox Seminary 2019 Fall Lecture Series – South Canaan, PA

St Tikhon's Seminary announces the 2019 Lecture Series, "Autocephaly", celebrating the 50th Year of Autocephaly of the Orthodox Church in America. The Lectures will be held each Tuesday evening in October, 7:30-9PM in the Convocation Hall, the same site as the First All-American Council (Sabor) in 1970.

- October 8 – “Primacy and Service” by Metropolitan Tikhon
- October 15 – “Autocephaly: Documents and Reflections” by Alexis Liberovsky
- October 22 – “Autocephaly and Mission” by Archpriest Thomas Soroka
- October 29 - “Autocephaly and the Canonical Tradition” by Archpriest Alexander Rentel, OCA Chancellor

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

God bless Sofia Garrett, Jovan Glomazic, Nevenka Milosevich & Youssef Zaki on their birthdays!