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PALM SUNDAY
ENTRANCE OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Epistle Reading
Philippians 4:4-9

Gospel Reading
John 12:1-18

*Christ is in our midst!
He is and ever shall be!*

Troparion: By raising Lazarus from the dead before Your passion, You did confirm the universal Resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the palms of victory, we cry out to You, O Vanquisher of death; Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!

Troparion: When we were buried with You in Baptism, O Christ God, we were made worthy of eternal life by Your Resurrection! Now we praise You and sing: *Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!*

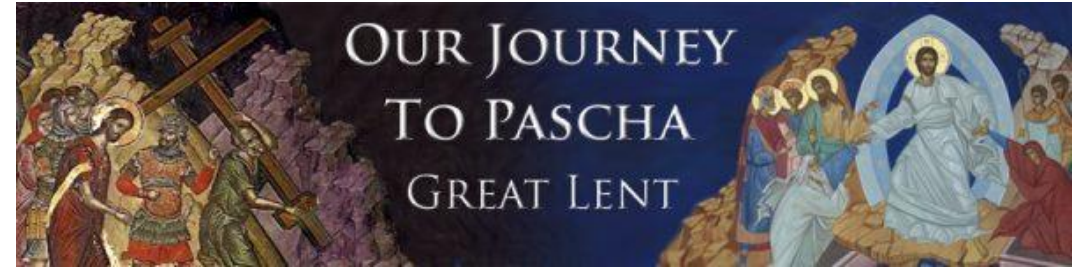
Kontakion: Sitting on Your throne in heaven, carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God! Accept the praise of angels and the songs of children who sing: Blessed is He that comes to recall Adam!

† **Večnaja pamjat, Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen, Memory Eternal** †

May God grant rest eternal in blessed repose to the soul of newly departed Karin Beachy, to her mother, Vivian, and to others on the anniversaries of their falling asleep: John Vitko, Sr.; James Karabin; Neda Mastilovic; Hossana Aberra's father, Haile; Sue Mezines' father, Basil; and Helene Watts' father, Sam Tatalovich.

"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy upon Your world"

We pray with the Monks of Mount Athos and Orthodox Christians worldwide from 10-10:15PM daily for God's help in the Pandemic.



Palm Branches

Fr. John and Popadija Kitty arranged for palms and pussy willow branches for today's Palm Sunday procession. They will be available when we return to church. Now while we are at home, we may bless flowers, leaves or branches with a prayer and holy water or holy oil, if available, then hold them during our hymns for the Feastday.

(The same home blessing applies to Pascha Baskets for next Sunday.)

Holy Week and Pascha

Many churches and monasteries will be live-streaming services each day this week. Follow Our Lord to the Cross, the Tomb and the joy of His Resurrection. See/hear Vespers, Complines, Bridegroom Matins and other Matins services, the Mystical Supper with the reading of the 12 Passion Gospels on Thursday, Lamentations on Friday, Nocturns and the Paschal Divine Liturgy on Saturday night and Sunday.

[Orthodox Church in America](#) See more listings on the Coronavirus Resource page
[St. Tikhon's Monastery](#), [Ancient Faith Radio](#), [Orthodox Christian Network](#)

† The light of Pascha draws near †

St. Luke Safety Net: Anyone in need or anyone who would like to help others in the parish may contact Tatjana Jovanic: jovanic.tatjana@yahoo.com.

Stewardship Support: Please continue to offer pledge donations by mail:

St. Luke Serbian Orthodox Church; P.O. Box 1015; McLean, VA 22101

Did you know? There are special Easter donation envelopes in your boxed-set.

God Grant You Many Years!

Happy Palm Sunday Name's Day to Mimi Bidy! Mnogaja ljeta!

May God bless Selamawit Abebe on her birthday and grant her many years!