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## HOLY PASCHA

FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

### Epistle Reading

Acts 1:1-8

### Gospel Reading

John 1:1-17

Christ is risen! Indeed he is risen!  
Hristos voskrece! Voistinu voskrece!  
Christos anesti! Alithos anesti!  
Christos tenesa! A'wo tenesa!  
El Messieh kahm! Hakken kahm!

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

**Kontakion:** You descended into the grave, O Immortal One, yet You destroyed the power of death. As Conqueror, You arose, O Christ God, saying to the myrrh-bearing women, “Rejoice!” granting peace to Your Apostles, and offering Resurrection to the fallen.

### Paschal Celebration Today on Zoom at 1:00PM

If you didn't get them contact Stefan Glomazic or Fr. John for the link/password.

**Our Gratitude** to Fr. John for his teaching and resources for Lent and Pascha and to Popadija Kitty for the Church School educational materials for families.

### St. Tikhon's Monastery – 9AM Bright Monday Liturgy - April 20

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe1eO3O9eYMsgA243qhGtSg/featured>

### Lenten Prayer Partners

Those who prayed for a fellow parishioner throughout Lent may contact them to let them know they are their secret prayer partner. God bless all the participants!



### Archpastoral Message on Pascha 2020 from Metropolitan Tikhon

“This year, our Paschal celebration comes in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, and not one of us is experiencing the full celebration of the services. A few are present at the limited services, while the majority are praying along at home. Yet all of us, wherever we find ourselves, can live according to the Resurrection by putting others’ needs before our own. In the Old Covenant, in the same breath in which God urged His people to “keep His Sabbaths,” He also urged them to remember the poor and the sojourner, and leave portions of their grain and grapes to them (Leviticus 19:3-10). May we too, in keeping the Lord’s Pascha, the First of Sabbaths, remember the poor and needy, the sick and suffering before ourselves, particularly at this time of the economic turmoil caused by the Coronavirus. As many of us are unable to commune of the heavenly Bread of Christ’s Body at this time as is customary, let us at least focus on ensuring that our brothers and sisters around us have enough common bread: food and other basic needs. In so doing, we will follow Christ’s example, who made sure that the thousands had enough food to eat, and who worked to heal the diseased and the sick.” ~ Excerpt

**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](mailto:jovanic.tatjana@yahoo.com).

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- Online using Credit Card or ACH Bank Transfer; go to the Giving Page: <https://STLUKEORTH.breezechms.com/give/online>

### God Grant You Many Years!

God bless Jonathan Zaki as he celebrates his 4th birthday. Also having birthdays this week are Mimi Bidy and Carolyn Connor. Mnogaja ljeta!

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