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## HIEROMARTYR METHODIUS

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Epistle Reading**  
Romans 5:1-10

**Gospel Reading**  
Matthew 6:22-33

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

**Troparion** (Resurrection)  
When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You slew hell with the splendor of our Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

**Troparion** (Hieromartyr Methodius)  
Your blood cries out to God from the earth like that of Abel, divinely-wise holy hierarch, Methodius. You openly preached the Incarnation of God, putting the heresy of Origen to shame. You were translated to the heavenly bridal chamber: Pray to Christ God that our souls may be saved.

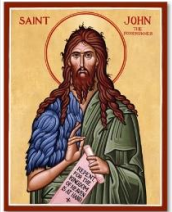
**Kontakion** (Hieromartyr Methodius)  
As a priest of the mysteries of the Holy Trinity, and a preacher of the commandments of God that surpass understanding, you were the confirmation of Orthodox Christians, O Methodius! You denounced the errors of heretics; for the sake of the True Faith you shed your blood as a hieromartyr. Now as you stand before Christ with the angels, pray that we may be saved.

**Kontakion** (Resurrection)  
Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with You, and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

**Memory Eternal ~ Večnaja Pamjat ~ Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen**  
We offer prayers in memory of Asnakech Yemeru, aunt of Senait Taye, on her 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary, and for Reader David’s mother Daisy Lumovich, for Gregory who is David’s and Alexia Kolias’ cousin, and Joyce Warner on the anniversaries of their falling asleep.

### Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist – Thursday, July 7

Today the formerly barren woman gives birth to Christ’s Forerunner, who is the fulfillment of every prophecy; for in the Jordan, when he laid his hand on the One foretold by the Prophets, he was revealed as Prophet, Herald, and Forerunner of God the Word. ~Kontakion



**Welcome** to all guests with us today in person and by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. You are invited to join us afterwards for refreshments. Come meet Fr. John and get acquainted with us. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, we would be delighted to talk with you. Please come again.

**Archpastoral Message of His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon: Overturning of Roe v. Wade**  
Met. Tikhon’s statement is addressed to us all with wisdom and pastoral care to guide us as peacemakers with those who are for and against the ruling. Go to [the OCA website](http://theOCAwebsite.com).

### First Sunday of the Month – Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who brought fresh food to share at the Potluck Coffee Hour and to all who donated non-perishable food, cash/checks for Northern Virginia Family Services.

### Celebration of the USA Declaration of Independence – Monday, July 4

**Troparion:** For your glory and their happiness, O Lord, you created all the people of the earth, and with undaunted faith in your perfect goodness, the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us. By your grace, let us always use our freedom to do your will, and through the Theotokos, grant our people lasting peace.

**Kontakion:** By your prayers, O Theotokos, pour out on this land a burning love for God and our neighbor, and fill every heart with zeal for justice and holiness. Preserve us from all our foes, whether visible or hidden from our sight, and obtain for us as for the people everywhere peace and Great Mercy.

### Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, July 6 at 7PM on Zoom

Everyone is welcome to join the online study group this Wednesday evening. Fr. John will email the Zoom link and his discussion points on the Gospel of Luke, chapter 10.

### SS Peter & Paul Fast and Feastday – Tuesday, July 12

The Apostles Fast continues until our celebration of the Divine Liturgy on Tuesday, July 12 at 10:30AM. Fr. John invites us to meet with him for Confession before the 12<sup>th</sup>.

### God Grant You Many Years!

May God grant many years to Fr. John and Popadija Kitty on the 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his priestly ministry in our St. Luke parish. God bless Karla Glomazic on her 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday, Daniel Costello on his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday, Reader David Lumovich, Mark Mamula, Louise Romanchak and Valerie Klaassen on their birthdays. Mnogaja ljeta!