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MAY 21, 2023
SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN
ST. JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN
SIXTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA

Epistle Reading
Acts 16:16-34

Gospel Reading
John 9:1-38

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

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!
Masih barkhaste ast! Be rasti barkhaste ast!

Welcome to V. Rev. Joseph Woodill who serves as celebrant for today's Divine Liturgy.

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion (St. John)

O beloved Apostle of Christ our God, come quickly to deliver your helpless people. He on whose breast you leaned, will accept you as intercessor. Entreat Him, O Theologian, to disperse the clouds of darkness, granting us peace and great mercy!

Kontakion (St. John)

Who shall declare your greatness, O virgin disciple, for you pour forth wonders and are a source of healings, and pray for our souls as theologian and friend of Christ.

Kontakion (Pentecostarion)

I come to Thee, O Christ, blind from birth in my spiritual eyes, and call to Thee in repentance: "Thou art the most radiant Light of those in darkness."

Welcome to all guests with us by livestream and in person. We invite you to join us at Coffee Hour and get acquainted with us. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. Joseph and Deacon Stefan.

St. Luke Gift Shop News - An order has arrived from Mt. Athos!

Items from the monastery of The Dormition of the Virgin Mary are here including their own natural, healing pharmaceuticals. Also on display are a cross, pendant and three liqueurs from the cell of St. Nicolaos. Thank you, Louise Romanchak, for your fine work.

Addictions Recovery Support Network – Monday, May 22 on Zoom – 7- 8:15PM

The monthly meeting for those with an addiction, those affected by someone else's addiction or those with questions about Orthodoxy and addiction, will be on Monday. <https://zoom.us/j/2100687480>, Meeting ID 210 068 7480, Password 208156.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, May 24 on Zoom at 7PM

The Orthodoxy 201 discussion group will meet this week to continue the study of "The Gospel of John: Beholding the Glory" by Fr. Lawrence Farley. Fr. John will email his review notes and the Zoom link. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Great Feast of Ascension – Thursday, May 25 – Divine Liturgy at 10:30AM

We complete the joyous 40-days of Pascha this week with the festal celebration of the Ascension Day Divine Liturgy on Thursday morning. A potluck luncheon will follow.

U.S.A. Memorial Day Weekend – Sunday-Monday, May 28-29

Names of the departed may be added to the list at the Candle Table for prayers for loved ones and for the military, especially those who lost their lives in service to our country.

GREAT FEAST OF HOLY PENTECOST DIVINE LITURGY - SUNDAY, JUNE 4 at 10:30AM

Sisterhood's SS Cyril & Methodius Patron Saint Day/Slava – Sunday, June 4

Everyone is invited to the Sisterhood Slava that will be celebrated on Pentecost Day. Join in the buffet luncheon as we remember and honor the dedicated work of the women of the parish – past and present. Cindy Volosin will be the Slava Kuma.

FOCUS Grace Family Care and Food Pantry Project – Through June 4

The Fellowship of Orthodox Christians United to Serve of the DC Metro Area is partnering with Grace Episcopal Church in Arlandria, VA to collect food and infant care items for needy families. Select from an online [Wish List](#) for delivery to Grace Church. Items may also be purchased and brought here to St. Luke's on Sundays, **May 28 & June 4.**

- Checks to "FOCUS NA (DC Drive)" are welcomed. See [FOCUS DC](#).
- [Greatest Impact](#) -- [Donate Online](#) to support a bulk purchase of diapers **by June 1.**

God Grant You Many Years!

God bless Eli and Salome Romanchak on their 5th wedding anniversary, Danielle Damjan on her 12th birthday, and Tatjana Jovanic on her birthday. Mnogaja ljeta!