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AUGUST 25, 2024
AFTERFEAST OF TRANSFIGURATION
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 3:9-17

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:22-34

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

You descended from on high, O Merciful One! You accepted the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Troparion (Transfiguration)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Your glory to Your disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Theotokos. O Giver of Light, glory to You!

Kontakion (Resurrection)

By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your Resurrection, and the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Kontakion (Transfiguration)

On the mountain You were transfigured, O Christ God, and Your Disciples beheld Your glory as far as they could see it; so that when they would behold You crucified, they would understand that Your suffering was voluntary, and would proclaim to the world that You are truly the Radiance of the Father.

Memory Eternal † Večnaja Pamjat †

We pray for the souls of Metropolitan Kallistos (Ware) and Archpriest John Reeves on the second anniversaries of their repose, for Valerie Klaassen's mother Suzanne VanDyne on her fourteenth anniversary and Margerhite German forty days since her repose.

“With the Saints give rest, O Christ, to the souls of Thy servants,
where there is no pain, no sorrow, no sighing, but life everlasting.”

Welcome

Welcome to all guests via livestream and those in person today. We invite you to join us for Coffee Hour. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John and Deacon Stefan. Please come again.

Addictions Recovery Support Network – Monday, August 26 at 7pm on Zoom

Join the monthly Orthodox Ministry conversation on addiction problems and solutions. Meeting ID: 210 068 7480; Password: 208156. Contact Samantha Cath for information: samanthacath@yahoo.com 703-919-6334. There is freedom from addiction/co-addiction, and there is joy in recovery.

Dormition of the Theotokos - Fast & Feastday – Wednesday, August 28, 10:30

The Dormition Fast continues this week. Fr. John will be available to hear Confessions by appointment. The Feastday Liturgy will be celebrated on Wednesday at 10:30AM. We may bring aromatic plants for the Blessing of Fragrant Flowers and Herbs. Tradition tells of the fragrance of flowers from the Theotokos' empty tomb. A potluck luncheon follows.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, August 28 on Zoom at 7PM

Everyone is welcome to join the discussion of Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's "For the Life of the World" now focusing on Baptism. Fr. John will email his notes and the Zoom link.

Invitation to a Fall Teen Retreat in PA – Registration Deadline August 31

The OCA Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania is sponsoring a Fall Teen Retreat at Camp Halifax in Hebron, PA on October 18-20. Archbishop Mark has invited teens from our area to join them. The cost is \$200 per person - our Archdiocese of Washington will provide either full or partial scholarships, depending on the number of applicants. Please let Fr. John know if your 12-17 year old is interested, no later than Saturday, August 31.

First Sunday of the Month – September 1

- Potluck Coffee Hour: Please bring a main dish, side dish, salad or dessert to share.
- Food for the Needy: Please bring canned and boxed foods for the C-CAP Food Pantry.

St. Luke Coffee Hour Sign-up – September-December

Coffee Hour Volunteers needed for September 8, 15, 22. See Christine Glomazic for info.

Church School Begins Sunday, September 8

“The 2024-2025 Church School Year will begin on Sunday, September 8th! Children will be dismissed after Communion to their classes in the hall. If you are interested in helping as a teacher, please contact John Minahan. We look forward to a great year growing in the love and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!” john.t.minahan@gmail.com

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

God bless Fr. John and Hunter Whitestone on their birthdays. Congratulations to Fr. John on the 26th anniversary of his ordination to the Holy Diaconate! AXIOS!