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SEPTEMBER 15, 2024
THE CHURCH NEW YEAR
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Readings

1 Corinthians 15:1-11
1 Timothy 2:1-7

Gospel Readings

Matthew 19:16-26
Luke 4:16-22

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Troparion (Church New Year)

O Creator of the Universe, Thou didst appoint times by Thine own power; bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord! Preserve in safety Thy rulers and Thy cities: and through the intercessions of the Theotokos, save us!

Kontakion (Resurrection)

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

Kontakion (Church New Year)

O Creator and Master of time and the ages, Triune and Merciful God of all: grant blessings for the course of this year, and in Thy boundless mercy save those who worship Thee and cry out in fear: "O Savior, grant blessings to all mankind!"

Kontakion (St. Luke)

Let us praise the godly Luke: he is the true preacher of piety, the orator of ineffable mysteries and the star of the Church; for the Word, Who alone knows the hearts of men, chose him, together with wise Paul, to be a teacher of the gentiles!

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.

Memory Eternal - Večnaja Pamjat

God grant eternal rest to Deacon Stefan's uncle Jerry on the 3rd anniversary of his repose.

Sisterhood Updates

At last week's Sisters' annual meeting, officers were elected: Rada Carmichael (President) Popadija Kitty Vitko & JoAnne de la Riva (Co-Vice Presidents), Cindy Volosin (Secretary), and Donna Karabin (Treasurer). God bless the Sisters' hospitality and philanthropy.

The Sisterhood is having an end of season clearance on Nutrolls and Apple Strudel: \$10 for a nutroll; \$3 for a strudel; \$12 for a nutroll and strudel. Hurry, while they last!

Next Saturday, September 21st will be the first Baking Day for the December Holiday Bake Sale. Volunteers are invited to help with morning baking, late morning clean-up, and 3:30PM wrapping. See an officer to sign up. "We have been blessed by an outpouring of help and good-will when bake sale prep is upon us—for that we thank you in advance!"

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, September 18 on Zoom at 7PM

Come join in as we learn about the Sacrament of Chrismation as taught in Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's "For the Life of the World". Fr. John will email his notes and the Zoom link.

Nativity of the Theotokos Feastday Divine Liturgy - Sunday, Sept. 22, 10:30AM

Angel Tree Christmas Program

Our parish Faith in Action Team is coordinating a holiday project with Prison Fellowship. Volunteers will purchase and give a gift to a child on behalf of their mom or dad who is incarcerated. See Louise Romanchak if you would like to participate in [Angel Tree](#).

Orthodox Mission Walk – Saturday, October 5 – 10-11AM

Orthodox Christian Mission Center missionaries will host a two-mile walk (with a one-mile option) in Vienna, VA, visiting the Foxstone/Wolf Trap Creek Trail. Free will offerings to OCMC are gratefully accepted. To register and for details email [Barbara Bosworth](#).

Young Adults and Young Professionals Gala – Saturday, October 19 – 6-10PM

This year's gala will be an excellent opportunity for Orthodox young adults to come together and enjoy a night of fun, dinner, dancing, and fellowship. Host: Ss Peter & Paul Church in Potomac; [Ticket](#) deadline is October 5. Vespers will be served prior at 5PM.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

Warm greetings to Hunter and Irena Whitestone and Paul and Magdalene Bragulla as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries. God bless them and their families.