

Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4.

Forefeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos.

Sunday before Elevation.

Troparion (Tone 4)

When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the Apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!”

Troparion (Tone 4)

Today from the stem of Jesse and from the loins of David, the handmaid of God Mary is being born for us. Therefore all creation is renewed and rejoices. Heaven and earth rejoice together. Praise her, you families of nations, for Joachim rejoices and Anna celebrates crying out: “The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos the Nourisher of our life!”

Kontakion (Tone 4)

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

Kontakion (Tone 3)

Today the Virgin Theotokos Mary, the bridal chamber of the Heavenly Bridegroom, by the will of the God is born of a barren woman, being prepared as the chariot of God the Word. She was foreordained for this, since she is the divine gate and the true Mother of Life.

Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

Living: Albrecht family, Benjamin Bava, Brenden Herbert, Brianna Herbert, John and Michele Spack, Edward Gerasimoff, Paul, Anastasia, James, Vincent, Janinne, Catherine, Albert, Helen Riley, Riley family. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

Departed: Ann Kelley, Patricia Gerasimoff, Helen Gerasimoff, John Libak, Jr., Mancy Starecky, Mary and Michael Spack, John and Anna Homa. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

Upcoming Services

Monday Festal Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.

Saturday **William Baptism, 10:00 a.m.**
Great Vespers, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Reading of the Hours, 9:40 a.m.
Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship and coffee hour follow the Divine Liturgy.

I Corinthians 16:13-24

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. I urge you, brethren – you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints – that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us. I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied. For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men. The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. The salutation with my own hand – Paul’s. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Matthew 21:33-42

Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.’ So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers? They said to Him, ‘He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the Scriptures: ‘The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD’s doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes’?

Weekly Financial Statement (8/31/14)

Attendance: 35

Money In: \$1329.00

Money Out: -1763.85

Net Total: -\$434.85

Announcements**Theology Course**

Our next meeting is scheduled for September 23, at church at 6:00 p.m. We’ll read closely St. Gregory of Nyssa’s *The Life of Moses*.

Bible Study

The next Bible Study is September 16, at church at 6:00 p.m. We’ll continue to read the Gospel of St. Matthew.

FOCUS

Jane Kelly will offer a brief presentation on FOCUS after the Divine Liturgy. Please plan to attend.

William Baptism

William will be baptized this coming Saturday, September 13, at 10:00 a.m. at church. Please make every effort to attend this wonderful event!