

SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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“If a person earnestly seeks salvation with his whole heart, God will lead him to a true instructor. Do not worry, each will find the one who is just right for him.”– St. Leo of Optina

Welcome to all our visitors worshipping with us this morning! Please sign our Guest Register as you enter the church and be our guest in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments this morning after the service is over. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you personally to Ss. Peter and Paul.

Fifth Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman & After-feast of Mid-Pentecost

APOSTLES KARPOS & ALPHAIOS OF THE SEVENTY; SINESIOS, BISHOP OF CARPASIA IN CYPRUS; NEW-MARTYR ALEXANDER OF THESSALONICA; AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, EVANGELIZER OF ENGLAND

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom—Hymns & Scriptures

Variable Hymns – see music in packet

Troparion of Pascha

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life!

Entrance Hymn of Pascha, Russian

In the gath'ring places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto Thee: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 4, Carpatho-Russian

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the glad tidings of the resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse, and proudly told the Apostles: Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy.

Troparion for Mid-Pentecost, Tn. 8

In the middle of the feast, O Savior, fill my thirsty soul with the waters of piety. For Thou didst cry out to all: If anyone thirst let him come to me and drink! O Christ God found of our life, Glory to Thee.

Troparion of Ss Peter & Paul, Tn. 4, Carpatho-Russian

O first enthroned of the Apostles, teachers of the universe, entreat the Master of all to grant peace to the world, and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion of Pascha

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal. Thou didst destroy the pow'r of death. In vic'try didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming rejoice to the Myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine Apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

The Reading from the Acts of the Sainly and Pure Apostles (11:19-30).

In those days, the Disciples, who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen, traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch speaking the Word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, upon coming to Antioch, spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to

Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the Disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the Disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (4:5-42).

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as He was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His Disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that Thou, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealing with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and Who it is that is saying to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, Thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Art Thou greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst forever; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to Him "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered Him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that Thou art a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and Thou sayest that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming (He Who is called Christ); when He comes, he will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I Who speak to you am He." Just then His Disciples came. They marveled that He was talking with a woman, but none said, "What does Thou wish?" or, "Why art Thou talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city, and said to the people, "Come, see a man Who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to Him. Meanwhile the Disciples besought Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the Disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him Who sent Me, and to accomplish His work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in Him because of the woman's testimony, "He said to me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to Him, they asked Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His words. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

Receiving Holy Communion: Only Orthodox Christians prepared through prayer, fasting, and a recent sacramental confession should approach the chalice for the Eucharist. The Orthodox Church does not practice “open communion” and has no intercommunion with non-Orthodox churches.

After taking Communion: Please return to your place and continue standing until the announcements.

Today’s Commemorations and Prayer Requests

Take this list of prayer requests home with you and keep these people in your prayers this week. Some names are not Orthodox Christians and thus are not remembered in the Great Entrance but are remembered in the other litanies during the services throughout the week.

For the living: Newly illumined Terry, Elias & Elizabeth; Prs. George, Tom & Presb. Maria, Patrick, Simeon, Ed & Presb. Judy; Sh. Camille-Anna; Stuart, Matthew & Amy, John, Fiona, Joshua & Amy, Roger, Nathan & Jessica, Hugh, Simon, Alexander, Katie, Caitlin Charity, Kurt, Gene, Carole & Heather, Gabriel Dane, Judith, Laura, James & Cheryl & Dane, Jared, Ryan & Beth, Ekaterina & Joshua, Sarah & Jason, Ellena, Cherice, Fallyn, Jameson, Cameron, Shannon, Don & Marie, Peter & Georgie & Family, Braden, James, Gene & Bev, Branden, Ryan Anne, Rosanna, James, Daniel, Sh. Karla, Guy & Mona, Jeff & Michele.

For the reposed: Newly departed Sbdn. Neil; Met. PHILIP; Archps. Gordon & Jack; Prs. Basil, Terry & David; Hmks. Athanasios & John; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Mark, Michael & John; Presb. Terry Elizabeth

For those who are pregnant and their unborn children: Catherine.

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Richard, Shane Jeremiah, David, Jacob, Gregory, Daniel, Preston, Saba, Aaron, Don, Nick, James, Scott, Michelle.