



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH Parish Newsletter

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST TONE III

READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS.

^{18.1}The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. ²Looking up, he saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, ³he said: “Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. ⁴Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way.” “Very well,” they replied, “do as you have said.” ⁶Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, “Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls.” ⁷He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice calf, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. ⁸ Then he got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before them; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate.

PROKIMENON, Tone III

Reader: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! * Sing praises to our King, sing praises! [v.6 RSV/OCA]

PSALM 46

NOTE: The reader invites everyone to acknowledge the universal kingship of Christ.

People everywhere, clap your hands! Cry out to God with shouts of joy! ²For the Lord most high is awesome, great king over all the earth!... ⁴He chose us for his own, the pride of Jacob whom he loves...

⁶Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! ⁷For God is king over all the earth; praise him with all your skill. ⁸God is king of the nations; he reigns from his holy throne.

⁹You nobles of the peoples, gather round, for the God of Abraham is the strong one: God is truly the king of earth, exalted above all!

Reader: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! **People:** Sing praises to our King, sing praises!



Evangelist Matthew presents his Gospel to John Chrysostom for his Commentaries.

Sunday, July 18

Coffee Hour: Belinsky

Sunday, July 25

Coffee Hour: Busenberg

Sunday, August 1

Coffee Hour: Bobrovsky

Sunday, August 8

Coffee Hour: Ellmore

Sunday, August 15

Coffee Hour: Hawkins

Sunday, August 22

Coffee Hour: Matyuf

Sunday, August 29

Coffee Hour: Morrow



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Αἰωνία αὐτοῦ ἡ μνήμη!
Вѣчнаа ѣмѹ пам'ятѹ!
Eternal be his memory!

READING FROM PAUL'S EPISTLE TO THE ROMANS

BRETHREN: ^{6,2} Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. ⁷ For a dead person has been absolved from sin. ⁸ If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. ¹⁰ As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. ¹¹ Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus. ¹² Therefore, sin must not reign over your mortal bodies so that you obey their desires. ¹³ And do not present the parts of your bodies to sin as weapons for wickedness, but present yourselves to God as raised from the dead to life and the parts of your bodies to God as weapons for righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin is not to have any power over you, since you are not under the Law but under Grace.

ALLELUIA

PSALM 30

NOTE: By the lips of the reader, through the psalmist, the Messiah/Christ expresses his feelings of anguish in his ordeal as well as his filial confidence in his heavenly Father.

I place my trust in you, O Lord; let me not be put to shame, O eternal one; in your justice set me free. ² Turn your ear to me and deliver me at once!...

³ For you are indeed my rock, my stronghold! Lead me and guide me for the honor of your name. ⁴ Free me from the trap that is set for me, for you are my refuge.

⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit....
⁶ I detest those who worship false gods;
I place all my trust in you....

¹¹ I have such enemies that all men scorn me;... ¹³ I hear how they whisper against me, how they threaten me, as they plot against me, as they work out their plans to take my life.

¹⁴ Still, I count on you, Lord! I insist: You are my God!

¹⁵ My fate is in your hands; deliver me from those who hate me. ¹⁶ Make your face shine forth on your servant; in your steadfast love, save me....

²¹ Praise to the Lord for showing me the wonders of his love when I was hard pressed! ²² For a moment I was alarmed, and I said: He has shut me out! But I cried out to you and you heard my voice!

²³ So love the Lord, all you his loyal servants! The Lord cares for those who remain faithful to him.... ²⁴ Be strong, take heart, all you who hope in the Lord!

READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW.

AT THAT TIME: ^{8,5} When Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion approached him and appealed to him, ⁶ saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, suffering dreadfully." ⁷ He said to him, "I will come and cure him." ⁸ The centurion said in reply, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I too am a person subject to authority, with soldiers subject to me. And I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come here,' and he comes; and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." ¹⁰ When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him, "Amen, I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹ I say to you, many will come from the east and the west, and will recline with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob at the banquet in the kingdom of heaven, ¹² but the children of the kingdom will be driven out into the outer darkness, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth." ¹³ And Jesus said to the centurion, "You may go; as you have believed, let it be done for you." And at that very hour his servant was healed.

TROPARION

Greek Chant

Let rejoicing fill the heavens, * and
throughout the earth, glad-ness! *
For the Lord has shown the power of
his arm * by conquering Death by
death * and saving us from the gap-
ing womb of hell! * He is the first-
born of the dead, * from whom the
world receives Great Mer-cy.

KONDAKION

Greek Chant

^{LA} To-day you came forth from the
tomb, * Compassionate One, * and
saved us from the gap-ing mouth of
Death. * Today Adam and Eve are
filled with joy, * and the prophets
join the pat-ri-archs * in praising
your power and dominion * over all
cre-a-tion!

THE ÉKTENY or FERVENT PRAYER (Ancient Penitential Litany and Prayer)

Let us all say with our whole soul,
and with our whole mind let us say:
Lord, have mercy.

O Lord almighty! O God of our fathers!
We pray you. Hear us and have mercy.

Have mercy on us, O God,
according to your great mercy!

We pray you. Hear us and have mercy.

Again we pray:

- For devout and Orthodox Christians.
- For our Archbishop Tikhon.
- For Ed and Janet and Andrea and Mildred and Ritz Bernadette, and for all who have asked for our prayers *NN...*: we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, pardon, and remission of their sins.
- For Orthodox Christians who are made to suffer on account of Christ, and we pray for those who persecute them.
- For Orthodox Christians and indeed all men who are victims of war and civil strife [and terror], of hunger and want, of intolerance and injustice.
- For physicians, nurses, care-givers, and all serving those infected with the virus; and for the thousands who have succumbed to the disease.

PRAYER OF THE ÉKTENY

Lord our God, accept this fervent prayer from your servants, and have mercy on us according to the greatness of your mercy. Send down your compassionate help upon us and upon all your people awaiting the rich mercy that comes from you.

For you are God, merciful and loving to man, and we render glory to you—to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.