

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TODAY: 9th SUNDAY OF AFTER PENTECOST, PROTOMARTYR STEVEN
9:10am: 3rd & 6th Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy
Acolytes: check in the Altar Church School
Hours: Ed Johnson Potluck: H-P
Thanksgiving Prayers: Diane Prokipchak (wine & oil)

Tues 8/4 6:30pm: Parish Council Meeting

Wed: 8/5: **EVE OF THE TRANSFIGURATION**
6:00pm: Great Vespers, Litiya, Confessions
7:00pm Orthodoxy Class

Thur: 8/6: **THE HOLY TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS CHRIST**
9:10am: 3rd & 6th Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy

Sat: 8/8: 5:00pm: CHOIR REHEARSAL
6:00pm: Great Vespers, Litiya, Confessions

Sun: 8/9: **10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, AFTERFEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, S' HERMAN OF ALASKA**
9:10am: 3rd & 6th Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy
Acolytes: check in the Altar Church School
Hours: Bill Boyle Potluck: Q-Z
Thanksgiving Prayers : Ray Jelus (fish, wine & oil)

WHY DID OUR LORD NOT MANIFEST HIS DIVINE GLORY ON TABOR

before all the disciples instead of before three of them? First, because He Himself gave the Law through the mouth of Moses: "At the mouth of two witnesses or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established" (Deuteronomy 19:15). Therefore, three witnesses are sufficient. These three witnesses represent three main virtues: Peter Faith, for he was the first to confess his faith in Christ as the Son of God; James Hope, for, with faith in the promise of Christ, he was the first who laid down his life for the Lord, being the first to be slain by the Jews; John Love, for he reclined on the bosom of the Lord and remained beneath the Cross of the Lord until the end. God is not called the God of many but rather the God of the chosen. "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob" (Exodus 3:6). God often valued a faithful man more than an entire nation. Thus, on many occasions, He wanted to destroy the entire Jewish nation, but because of the prayers of righteous Moses, spared that nation to live. God listened more to the faithful Prophet Elijah than to the entire unbelieving kingdom of Ahab. Because of the prayers of one man, God saved towns and people. Thus, the sinful town of Ustiug was to be destroyed by fire and hail had it not been saved by the prayers of the one and only righteous man in it, St. Procopius, the "fool for Christ" (July 8).

The PROLOGUE OF OHRID by Saint Nikolai Velimirovic

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9th Sunday After Pentecost
August 2nd 2015
Protomartyr Stephen

WELCOME VISITORS! CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!

We are honored you are visiting today. * Liturgy **Books** may be found next to the **Candle Table** at the back of the church. * We **invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card** on the Candle Table & place it in one of the Collection Baskets there. * We do not take up a **Collection** during our services but rather ask you to place donations in one of the baskets on the Candle Table or next to the **Book Store Table**. * While only Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves may receive **Holy Communion**, everyone is welcome to come forward at the end of Liturgy to receive a blessing from our priest and to take the blessed bread. * It is the **Orthodox practice** to stand during services as a sign of reverence for the Lord but if you need to sit, please do so. Use of chairs is shared. If you are able, we particularly try to stand during the processions with the Gospel and the Gifts, during the Readings, the Creed, during the preparation of the Holy Eucharist, the Lord's Prayer and reception of Communion. * We **invite you** to stay after the Thanksgiving Prayers **for fellowship** and the meal so that we may greet you personally, and to answer any questions you may have about our faith, our parish or today's service. * Please help yourself to the brochures and information on the east side counter. * All children **ages three through twelve** are encouraged to attend our Sunday School after Holy Communion.

* **We hope you will visit us again very soon.** *

Please send Prayer Corner names and updates along with bulletin announcements to:

Daniel Schulte at: drschulte@hughes.net or call 505-495-9200.

Rubrics for Today: Resurrection Tone 8

Resurrection Tone Sheets are on the Literature Table

Resurrection Texts are also in the Appendices of the Black Liturgy Books

PRAYER CORNER

May God Grant Many Years! to **Nona Gretchen Hembree** and **Nonna Crook** on their **Name Day** and to **Aleksey & Kelly Tulsikh** on their **Anniversary**.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those diagnosed with cancer: Daria, Cynthia, Karen, Nina, Paul, Protodeacon Nicholas, Bishop Nikon of Boston and Archbishop Lazar.

And for those in remission from cancer: Madolyn, Dr. Frye, Mary Beth, Rolf, Ron, Galina, Yelena, Yelena, Galina, Jasmine and Fr Silouan.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those with other ailments, injuries, difficult situations and intentions needing prayer: Deacon David, Galina, Andrey, Nikolay, Fotiniya, Joseph David, Evdokiya, Carolyn, Deacon Steven, Kendrick, Camryn, Emma, Julie, Tana, Ruth Ann, Subdeacon Columcille, John & Sharon, Deacon Gerry, LouAnne, Irene, Subdeacon Gregory and Ernest.

God Grant Many Years! to all those others celebrating Name Days, Birthdays and Anniversaries.

O Lord, please sent your angels to watch over all those traveling.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: YTD THROUGH MAY 2015

Operating Income: \$57,442.⁹⁵ Operating Expenses: \$47,864.⁴⁸
Charity Collections: \$2,335.⁰⁰ Building Fund: \$8,070.²⁰

The Holy Transfiguration of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ

COMMEMORATED THIS THURSDAY

Troparion — Tone 7

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 — Tone 7

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!

<http://oca.org/saints/troparia/2015/08/06>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE REMEMBER: THIS IS A “PEANUT FREE” PARISH: Some of our youngsters have sever, even life threatening, allergies. Also, please label anything you may bring into the kitchen that contains shrimp or shell fish.

THE DORMITION FAST begins on August 1st and continues until the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos on August 15th. The fasting guidelines for this season are the same as for Great Lent. May we all have a blessed and fruitful fast!

THERE WILL BE A BLESSING OF GRAPES AND OTHER FRUIT AFTER LITURGY ON AUGUST 6th. It is the tradition of the Church on the Day of Transfiguration to consecrate grapes, apples and other fruit after the Divine Liturgy. The custom of bringing fruit to the temple for consecration originates in the Old Testament time (Gen 4:2-4; Ex 13:12-13; Num 15:19-21; Deut 8:10- 14). The Apostles brought this tradition to the Church of the New Testament (1 Cor. 16:1- 2). Instruction regarding bringing fruit to temple is found in the Third Rule of the Apostolic Canon, the earliest collection of ecclesiastic laws (canons), known since the second century. In Greece, August is the month of ripeness of fruit, mostly grapes and new ears of corn. Since old time, the faithful have been bringing them to temple for consecration and as Thanksgiving to God. St. John Chrysostom wrote, "Plowman receives fruit from the earth not so much for his labor and diligence, as out of goodness of God Who grows this fruit, because neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase." Grapes are brought to temple because they are directly related to the Eucharistic sacrament; that is why in the prayer for consecration of grapes the priest says, "Bless, Lord, this new fruit of vine which reached ripeness because Thou kindly provided good weather, drops of rain and stillness. Let eating this fruit of the vine make us joyful. And give us the honor of offering this fruit to Thee, as the gift of purging of sins, altogether with the Holy Body of Thy Christ." Bishop Alexander (Mileant) .
http://www.fatheralexander.org/booklets/english/preob_e.htm#n5

IF YOU WISH TO CONTRIBUTE to a charitable fund for **Matushka Ingrid** all you need do is write a check to ASONA and write “Matushka Ingrid” on the “for” line and it will be passed through to her. Thank you.