



SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE ORTHODOX CHURCH

Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America

Christ is The Word LOGOS

*The mission of Saint Andrew the Apostle Orthodox Church
is to glorify our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ through our words and actions according to the Holy Traditions and Sacred Teachings of our
Holy Orthodox Christian Faith*

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

July 2022

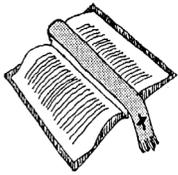
Wisdom

An excellent wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. ... Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates.

Proverbs 31:10-11, 28-31

Bible Study Continues

The nature and origin of Scripture



- What is the historical & cultural context?
- What is the occasion or circumstance that brought the Scriptures into existence?
- Why does it matter for the believer?

Please join us! Thursdays at 6 pm.

Email Updates

If you have changed your email address or you have not been receiving emails from St. Andrew's, please give your email address to Kh. Vera to add to our list.

Word Magazine

The Word Magazine is a publication of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America and contains Orthodox news and edifying articles. The magazine is offered at no cost to all members of St. Andrew's. If you have not been receiving it, please let Kh. Vera know and she will put you on the mailing list.



Fall Fest! Save the Date!

Friday & Saturday, November 4 & 5

Start thinking about how you will help:

- Ad book
- Themed Baskets
- Bake Sale
- Food Prep
- Staffing



We are relying on you!

How will you use your gifts?

As each has received a gift, **use it to serve one another**, as good stewards of God's varied grace. *(1 Peter 4:10)*

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, **let us use them.** *(Romans 12:4-6)*

Here are some **current needs** at St. Andrew's:

- Transportation to church for parishioners with limited mobility
- Media / Technology Team
- Visiting the homebound & hospitalized
- *Your gift* in action

Please see Fr. Herman or Kh. Vera to offer your particular gift to God at St. Andrew's.

The Centrality of Prayer Part 1

March 2020

Fr. Herman Acker

No action is more important in the believer's life than prayer. This is because prayer involves us in a direct relationship between God and ourselves and nothing is more necessary for our life than God. Prayer is that which engages us in a direct communication with God. Since God is necessary for the continuation of our lives, it is necessary for us to be in regular communication with Him.

There is never a place or time when we are not in God's presence. God and his accessibility are always true. It makes no difference if we are among people, in our home with family, or by ourselves; God is always present and ready to receive our prayer.

After reading Matthew 25:31-46, which contains a teaching about the Judgment, one could also say that acts of charity and compassion toward our fellow human beings are just as important as prayer. Indeed, in this passage, love is the criterion for judgment. One could say that love is a prerequisite and extension, or consequence, of prayer to God. In 1 John 4:8 we read, "God is love." Prayer has at its center God-consciousness. For prayer to be true and acceptable, one must love and forgive others (Matt. 6:12, 14-15). This is an inner attitude for which we must strive. This love of neighbor is expressed when we love them while they are present with us or we with them. If we are not present and are unable to do anything to directly help and love them, we can still love them by praying for them. Though we may not present with them, God is.

Prayer

Any particular act of love is always contingent upon particular circumstances; prayer, on the other hand, is never dependent on a particular situation. It is not dependent on time or place any more than God is. Nothing is a more direct connection to the One who made us than prayer, and wherever we are, He is. Prayer itself is our reason for being because God is so.

To join our prayer team, contact Pam Smith.

Coffee Hour Notes

- **MANY THANKS** to all who bring food to share for coffee hour. We hope more people will participate in this ministry of hospitality. You can bring something simple you picked up on the way to church, or prepare a recipe you've been wanting to try. Every contribution is greatly appreciated! **ALSO** - Please remember to gather and take home your serving dishes and utensils!
- **MANY THANKS** to those who clean up their own space and assist with general cleanup. We do have lovely and generous helpers who come around and pick up your used plates and cups at coffee hour, but please be sure to clean up after yourself as needed.
- **MANY THANKS** to those who are careful to put trash in the trash receptacle and bottles/cans in the recycling receptacle. Liquids should be emptied into the sink before placing containers in either the trash or recycling bin.
- **MANY THANKS** for your donations of paper goods and other supplies. Please assist by making note of when supplies are needed, and notify Nick Spalaris, Pam Smith, or Myrna Vidos. (Monetary donations are also welcome!)



And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. Answer me, O LORD, answer me, that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The LORD, he is God; the LORD, he is God." *1 Kings 18:36-39*

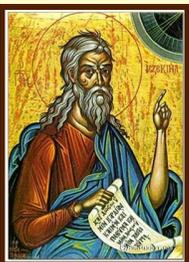


The Holy Prophet Elijah is commemorated on July 20

Behold, this was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters had pride, excess of food, and prosperous ease, but did not aid the poor and needy. *Ezekiel 16:49*

And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it. *Ezekiel 17:24*

The Holy Prophet Ezekiel is commemorated on July 21



July 2022

Every Saturday: 5:15 pm Confession 5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 6 pm Vespers

TROPARION OF ST. ANDREW - Tone 4 - As the first-called Apostle and brother of their leader, O Andrew, intercede with the Master of all to grant peace to the world, and to our souls great mercy.

July 3 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Venerable Ananias the Iconographer (Russia, 16th c.); Martyr Hyacinth of Caesarea (108)

Tone 2 Epistle: Romans 5:1-10 Eothinon 3 (St. Mark 16:9-20) Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 6:22-33

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 2 - When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee!

July 10 Joseph of Damascus

Marina, Virgin & Great Martyr (111); Irinarkh, Abbot of Solovetsky Monastery (Russia, 1628)

Tone 3 Epistle: 2 Timothy 2:1-10 Eothinon 4 (St. Luke 24:1-12) Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 8:5-13

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 3 - Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad; for the Lord hath done a mighty act with his own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and become the First-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of hades, granting the world the Great Mercy!

July 17 Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council

Judas the Apostle, brother of Our Lord (1st c.); Varlaam of Shenkursk, missionary and monk (Russia, 1452)

Tone 4 Epistle: Titus 3:8-15 Eothinon 5 (St. Luke 24:12-35) Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:14-19

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 4 - Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the disciples saying, Death hath been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!

July 24 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Christina, the Great Martyr (Asia Minor, 300) Boris & Gleb, Passion-bearers, princes and brothers (Russia, 1015)

Tone 5 Epistle: Romans 12:6-14 Eothinon 6 (St. Luke 24:36-53) Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 9:1-8

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 5 - Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation; for he took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh, to suffer death, and to raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

July 31 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Evdokimos the Ascetic (Asia Minor, 9th cent.); Joseph of Arimathea (1st cent.)

Tone 6 Epistle: Romans 15: 1-7 Eothinon 7 (St. John 20: 1-10) Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 9: 27-35

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 6 - When Mary stood at thy grave, looking for thy sacred Body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led'st hades captive and wast not tempted thereby; thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world. O thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to thee!

Make note of our regular service times:

Saturday Confessions 5:15 pm Sunday Orthros/Matins 9:00 am Saturday Vespers 6:00 pm Sunday Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Please contact Father Herman for information about becoming a member of St. Andrew Orthodox Church

Regular Schedule

Saturday 5:15 pm Confession 6 pm Vespers Sunday 9 am Orthros 10 am Divine Liturgy

Be sure to visit our website at www.orthodoxdelmar.org/calendar for special services and the most up-to-date schedule.

Other July Events:

Tuesday, July 12 St. Veronica Divine Liturgy, 3 pm

Tuesday, July 26 St. Paraskevi Divine Liturgy, 3 pm

Thursday, July 28 St. Irene of Chrysovalantou Divine Liturgy, 3 pm Followed by potluck supper before Bible Study.

Check our online calendar at www.orthodoxdelmar.org/calendar for the most up-to-date schedule.



Psalm 100

A PSALM FOR GIVING THANKS.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

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