



## Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

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### **JANUARY 28, 2024 / 34<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TONE 1)**

#### RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE ONE

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, / while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, / Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, / granting life to the world. / The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: / “Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! / Glory to Thy Kingdom! // Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!”

#### TROPARION OF ST. EPHRAIM IN TONE EIGHT

By a flood of tears thou didst make the desert fertile, / and thy longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance. / By the radiance of miracles thou didst illumine the whole universe. // Our holy Father Ephraim, pray to Christ our God to save our souls!

- *Choir sings troparion of Apostles Peter & Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

#### RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE ONE

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, / raising the world with Thyself. / Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished. / Adam exults, O Master! / Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee: // “Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

#### PROKEIMENON IN TONE ONE

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee!  
*v. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!*

#### THE EPISTLE

##### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (3:4-11)**

Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

## ALLELUIA IN TONE ONE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*v. God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me.*

*v. He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever.*

## THE GOSPEL

### **The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (22:35-46)**

Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?” Jesus said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.” While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?” They said to Him, “The Son of David.” He said to them, “How then does David in the Spirit call Him ‘Lord,’ saying: ‘The Lord said to my Lord, sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool’? If David then calls Him ‘Lord,’ how is He his Son?” And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.

## COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## TODAY’S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on January 28th: St. Ephraim the Syrian; St. Isaac the Syrian, Bishop of Nineveh; New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia; St. Palladius the Hermit, of Antioch; Martyr Flavian of Civitavecchia; St. Valerius, Bishop of Zaragoza; St. John of Réôme Abbey; St. Glastian of Kinglassie; St. Odo, Bishop of Beauvais; St. Ephraim the Wonderworker, Abbot of Novy Torg; St. Ephraim, Bishop of Pereyaslav; St. Theodosius, Abbot of Totma.

## UPCOMING SERVICES

6:00 PM (Thursday) – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:30 AM (Friday) – Divine Liturgy [*Presentation of Christ*]

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour & Divine Liturgy

## PARISH & LOCAL EVENTS

(1) Our parish is collecting cans of soup and other non-perishable foods for donation to a local food pantry. A bin for placing donated food items will be in the church hall from January 1, 2024 to February 11, 2024. Please make sure that items donated are not past the expiration date. Here’s an idea to help both our parish and the needy: buy one of the grocery store gift cards from the church and use it to buy the non-perishable foods.

(2) Candles shall be blessed at the conclusion of Friday morning’s Divine Liturgy.

(3) On the first two Sundays of February there shall be special collections for the benefit of the Alaskan Clergy. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

(4) The Carpathian Club is sponsoring a roast pork dinner to be held in our church hall after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, February 25, 2024. There will also be a “tricky tray.” Tickets are \$30 per person.

**Remember to support the parish every time you shop!**



*ShopRite, Stop & Shop, and Acme gifts cards available for purchase in the church vestibule.*