



Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

A parish of the Orthodox Church in America

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JULY 21, 2024 / 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TONE 3)

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE THREE

Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world // great mercy.

TROPARION OF SS. SIMEON & JOHN IN TONE FOUR

O God of our Fathers, / always act with kindness towards us; / take not Thy mercy from us, / but guide our lives in peace // through the prayers of Venerable Simeon and John!

TROPARION OF PROPHET EZEKIEL IN TONE TWO

We celebrate the memory / of Thy prophet Ezekiel, O Lord; / through him we beseech Thee: // “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 THREE

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, / leading us from the gates of death. / On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; / with the Prophets and Patriarchs // they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE THREE

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
v. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (6:18-23)

Brethren, having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ALLELUIA IN TONE THREE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

v.. Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:5-13)

Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.” And Jesus said to him, “I will come and heal him.” The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, “Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel! And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you.” And his servant was healed that same hour.

COMMUNION HYMN

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

TODAY’S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on July 21: Prophet Ezekiel; Ss. Simeon “Fool-for-Christ” and John of Emesa; Hieromartyr Zoticus, Bishop of Comana; Virgin-martyr Praxedes of Rome; Martyr Victor of Marseilles; St. Arbogast, Bishop of Strasbourg; St. Wastrada (mother of St Gregory of Utrecht); Ss. Onuphrius the Silent and Onuphrius the Recluse of the Kiev-Caves.

TODAY’S PARASTAS

Parastas in memory of Wilfred J. Royer offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer.

TODAY’S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

St. John’s Cross offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Wilfred J. Royer (100th anniversary of birth).

UPCOMING SERVICES

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

PARISH EVENTS

(1) Fr. Sophrony will be away from the evening of July 21, 2024 until the morning of August 2, 2024. A substitute priest, Fr. John Kowalczyk, shall say Divine Liturgy on Sunday, July 28, 2024. In the event of an emergency while Fr. Sophrony is away, please call Fr. John Fencik at 201-436-6604 or the nearest Orthodox priest.

(2) 2024 Youth Day, sponsored by the Diocese of New York & New Jersey Department of Youth Ministry, is Saturday, August 24, 2024, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at Christ the Savior Orthodox Church, 365 Paramus Rd., Paramus, New Jersey. Open to all youth and their families. For information, see flyer in church vestibule. Register by 8/15/2024 at <https://form.jotform.com/241866071522152>

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