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NOV. 28, 2021 / 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TONE 6)

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE SIX

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb; / the guards became as dead men. / Mary stood by Thy grave, / seeking Thy most pure body. / Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it. / Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. / O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, // glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF ST. STEPHEN THE NEW IN TONE FOUR

Trained in asceticism on the mountain, / with the weapon of the Cross thou didst destroy the spiritual assaults of the hostile powers, O all-blessed one. / Again thou didst bravely prepare for combat / and didst slay Copronymus with the sword of faith; // for both struggles thou hast been crowned by God, monk-martyr Stephen of eternal memory.

- *Sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE SIX

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, / raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, / He bestowed resurrection on the human race. // He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!
v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (2:4-10)

Brethren, but God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace, you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

ALLELUIA IN TONE SIX

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

v. He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (13:10-17)

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore, come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

COMMUNION HYMNS

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

UPCOMING SERVICES

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

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

TODAY'S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on November 28th: Monk-Martyr Stephen the New, the Confessor, and Companions; Martyr Irenarchus and Seven Women Martyrs at Sebaste; Martyr Timothy of Tiberiopolis and Companions; St. Maurice, Emperor of Rome, and his six sons; Martyr Rufus of Rome and Companions; St. Theodore, Archbishop of Rostov.

TODAY'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Vigils offered by John and Helen Wanko in memory of Lydia Wanko (anniversary of birth).

PARISH CONFESSIONS

All parishioners ought to go to confession during the Nativity Fast, which may be heard after any Vespers. Confessions may be done without facial masks so long as you are fully vaccinated. Those unable to attend Vespers may call the Rectory at 201-436-3244 to make an appointment.

UPCOMING FOCA EVENTS

(1) **2nd Annual St. Andrew's Virtual Akathist - Nov. 30, 2021:** The Akathist to St. Andrew the Apostle, hosted by St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Mogadore, Ohio. Served by Past and Present National, District, and Local Spiritual Advisors from across the U.S.A., with an address by Archbishop Paul of Chicago. See: www.orthodoxfellowship.org/upcoming-events-1/2021/11/30/2nd-annual-virtual-st-andrews-day-celebration.

(2) **Virtual Tour of Bethlehem - Dec. 12, 2021:** Join us on a journey through the Holy City of Bethlehem as we relive the events and places of Our Lord's birth. See: www.orthodoxfellowship.org/upcoming-events-1/2021/3/14/virtual-tour-of-the-holy-sites-of-jerusalem-mksfp.

(3) **FOCA Virtual Christmas Concert - Dec. 26, 2021:** FOCA is coordinating a “virtual” Christmas concert to be streamed live on YouTube on Sunday, December 26, 2021! See: www.orthodoxfellowship.org/upcoming-events-1/2021/12/26/national-virtual-christmas-concert.

"You cannot do a kindness too soon because you never know how soon it will be too late."
- *Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)*