

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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Sunday, May 18, 2014 – 5th Sunday of Pascha (Tone 4) Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Today's Saints

Martyrs Theodotus, Peter, Dionysius, Andrew, Paul, Christina, Alexandra, Tecusa, Claudia, Phaine, Euphrasia, Matrona, & Julia of Ancyra; Martyrs Simeon, Isaac, Bachtisius, Heraclius, Paulinus, & Benedimus of Persia

Today's Services

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: John 4:5-42 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Today's Special Donations

Sanctuary Lamp offered by John & Helen Wanko in honor of Lindsay Wanko's birthday.

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: "Coffee Hour" today after Divine Liturgy – all parishioners and visitors are welcome! Fr. Sophrony is returning on Saturday morning. Emergency needs for a priest should be referred to Fr. John Fencik at (201) 779-6604 while Fr. Sophrony is still away, or the nearest available Orthodox priest. The summer schedule of morning services at 9:00 AM begins next Sunday, May 25, 2014.

Carpathian Club: The club's next monthly meeting is Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 7:30 PM.

"R" Club: The District Trustees are meeting in our church hall on Thursday, May 22, 2014.

Memorial Day Pilgrimage: The 110th annual Memorial Day Pilgrimage at St. Tikhon's Monastery in South Canaan, Pennsylvania is scheduled for May 23-26, 2014. A link to a detailed schedule of service (PDF) can be found at www.oca.org – the official website of the OCA.

Upcoming Services

May 24-25, 2014

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Fifth Sunday of Pascha: The Samaritan Woman (Tone 4)

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Priest: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down Death by death; and upon those in the tombs bestowing life! (*two and a half times*)

The Choir then sings “. . . and upon those in the tombs bestowing life,” and the Liturgy continues with the Great Litany.

- *Now sing these troparia in the following order:*

Tone 4 Troparion (*Resurrection*)

When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the Apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen,// granting the world great mercy!”

Tone 8 Troparion (*Midfeast*)

In the middle of the feast, O Savior, fill my thirsting soul with the waters of piety as You cried to all: “If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink!”// O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to You!

- *Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter & Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

Tone 4 Kontakion (*Midfeast*)

Christ God, the Creator and Master of all, cried to all in the midst of the feast of the Law: “Come and draw the water of immortality!” We fall before You and faithfully cry:// “Grant us Your mercies, for You are the Fountain of our life!”

Tone 8 Kontakion (*Pascha*)

O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of the Resurrection to those who had fallen.

Prokeimenon in Tone 3

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!

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30

Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were

men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord. Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

Alleluia in Tone 4

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v. Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth! v. For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity.

Gospel: John 4:5-42 (See Next Page)

So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a

drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock? Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life. The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly. The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship. Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers

will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He." And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why are You talking with her?" The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ? Then they went out of the city and came to Him. In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors. And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more

believed because of His own word. Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

Megalynarion of Pascha

The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace:
"Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Again, I say: 'Rejoice,
your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb!
With Himself He has raised all the dead.'"
Rejoice, O ye people!

Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem!
The glory of the Lord has shone on you!
Exult now, and be glad, O Zion!
Be radiant, O pure Theotokos,
in the Resurrection of your Son!

Communion Hymns

Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality! Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

- *Instead of "We have seen the true light," sing "Christ is Risen" once.*

At the Dismissal

At the Dismissal, the Priest intones: "Glory to Thee, O Christ . . .," and the Choir sings "Christ is risen from the dead . . ." (thrice).

At the closing of the Royal Doors, the Choir sings "And unto us He has given eternal life. Let us worship His resurrection on the third day."