

Welcome, Visitors!

We thank you for attending St. Thomas today. If this is your first time in an Orthodox Church, you may find the Liturgy books at the entrance of the nave helpful for following along (just ask if you feel a little lost!). Sometimes, simply maintaining a worshipful presence, open to the Holy Spirit, is a good way to start.

After Divine Liturgy, please join us in the back for coffee and conversation. If Orthodoxy is new to you, you may have lots of questions! We'll do our best to help. During Holy Communion, non-Orthodox Christians are warmly welcome to seek a blessing from the priest, and/or partake of the blessed bread on the small table — if you'd like. The Eucharist in the Orthodox Church is intended for those who have been educated in, and accepted, the beliefs and practices of the Orthodox Christian Faith, **and** who have been baptized and/or chrismated into that Faith. We would not impose on you any profession of belief (through Communion or any other practice) with which you may not agree or feel comfortable.

For more details, please visit the [Upcoming Events/Service Schedule](#) page on our blog.

Announcements

WORSHIP

Sat. 8/19 @ 6:00 pm Great Vespers
Sun. 8/20 @ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Thur. 9/7 @ 6:00 pm Nativity of the Theotokos Vespers
Wed. 9/13 @ 6:00 pm Vespersal Liturgy for the Exaltation of the Cross

Birthdays

8/21 Rebecca Lashbrook

Clergy

Father **Philip** Lashbrook, Priest

Fr. Deacon **Raphael** (Gary Fadil),
Deacon

Readers

Glenn **Alexander** McCroskery

Jerry **Columba** Roberts

Altar Servers

Eli **Attalah**

Nathanael Fadil

Jay **Gabriel** Faust

Glenn **Alexander** McCroskery

David Mykut

Joseph Mykut

Blain **Seraphim** Perkins

Jerry **Columba** Roberts

Choir

Mat. **Rebecca** Lashbrook

Rick **Gregory** Boudreau

Don **Patrick** Daily

Lisa **Fadil**

Hannah Fadil

Sarah Fadil

Arlen **Peter** Hartman

Shirley **Mary** Hartman

Jenny **Eugenia** Trusty

Michael Trusty

Parish Council

Carmen Roberts, President

Dawn Mykut, Vice President

Arlen **George** Hartman, Treasurer

Roukoz **Elias** Atallah, Secretary

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Fr. Philip Lashbrook, Rector

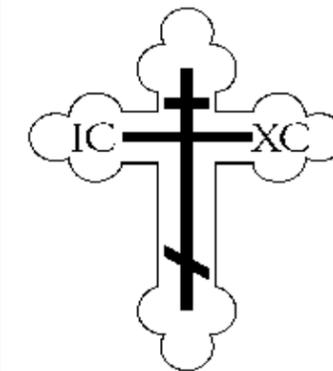
11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2. Afterfeast of the Dormition.

Afterfeast of the Dormition. Prophet Samuel (11th c. B.C.). Hieromartyr Philip, Bishop of Heraclius, and with him Martyrs Severus, Memnon, and 37 soldiers in Thrace (3rd c.).
Martyr Heliodorus (380).



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John 21:15-25

1 Corinthians 9:2-12

Matthew 18:23-35

11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2. The Afterfeast of the Dormition.

Tone 2 Troparion (Resurrection)

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,
You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead.
And when from the depths You raised the dead,
all the powers of heaven cried out://
“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

Tone 1 Troparion (Dormition)

In giving birth you preserved your virginity.
In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos.
You were translated to life O Mother of Life,//
and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

Tone 2 Troparion (St. Thomas)

O Disciple of Christ, and colleague of the Apostles,
Your lack of faith became a confirmation of the resurrection,
For your searching hand made you believe,
O holy Thomas, worthy of all praise.
Obtain peace for us, and great mercy.

Tone 2 Troparion (Prophet Samuel)

We celebrate the memory
of your prophet Samuel, O Lord;
through him, we beseech you:
“Save our souls!”

Tone 2 Kontakion (Resurrection)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior,
seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb!
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with
You,//
and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

Glory ...

Tone 8 Kontakion (Prophet Samuel)

You were a precious gift given to God before you conception.
You served Him like an angel from your infancy, O blessed one.
You were granted the charism to announce beforehand future things.
Therefore, we cry to you: “Rejoice, Samuel, Prophet of God and great
high priest.”

Now and ever

Tone 2 Kontakion (Dormition)

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos,
who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions.
For being the Mother of Life,//
she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

Tone 2 Prokeimenon

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.
(Ps 117/118:4)
v: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.
(Ps 117/118:18)

Tone 3 Prokeimenon (Song of the Theotokos)

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. (Lk 1:46-47)

Epistle (NKJV): 1 Corinthians 9:2-12

9:2 If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

3 My defense to those who examine me is this: 4 Do we have no right to eat and drink? 5 Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as do also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? 6 Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working? 7 Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock?

8 Do I say these things as a mere man? Or does not the law say the same also? 9 For it is written in the law of Moses, “You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain.” Is it oxen God is concerned about? 10 Or does He say it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. 11 If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things? 12 If others are partakers of this right over you, are we not even more?

Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ.

Tone 2

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you!
(Ps 19/20:1)

v: Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call! (Ps 19/20:9)

Tone 2

v: Arise, O Lord, into Your resting place: You and the Ark of Your sanctification! (Ps 131/132:8)

Gospel (NKJV): Matthew 18:23-35

18:23 Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24 And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 25 But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. 26 The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ 27 Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

28 “But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’ 29 So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ 30 And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. 31 So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. 32 Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. 33 Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’ 34 And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

35 “So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”

Instead of “It is truly meet ...,” we sing:)

Tone 1

Refrain: The Angels, as they looked upon the Dormition of the Virgin, were struck with wonder, seeing how the Virgin went up from earth to heaven.

Heirmos: The limits of nature are overcome in you, O Pure Virgin: for birthgiving remains virginal, and life is united to death; a virgin after childbearing and alive after death, you ever save your inheritance, O Theotokos.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps 115/116:13)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!