
*Return of the Relics of the Apostle Bartholomew
and the Apostle Titus*

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Welcome! We are honored that you have joined us in our celebration of the Lord's resurrection this day.

If you are a first time visitor to our parish, we invite you to sign our guest book. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Marty, or with any parish member.

For our friends present with us who are not Orthodox Christians, please note that we have specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion. We ask that you refrain from going to Communion until you have spoken with Fr. Marty and understand our discipline and piety regarding this sacrament and its implication for responsibility towards and membership in the Orthodox Church. The bread and wine offered after communion and the bread offered at the end of the service is available to all.

If you are an Orthodox Christian from another parish who has prepared in accordance with your discipline, and have a blessing from your home priest to do so, we invite and encourage you to partake of Holy Communion.

This booklet contains the variable hymns and readings specific to today. Please feel free to take it with you. There are coil-bound booklets available with the text for the Divine Liturgy – if you find it useful, please feel free to take one of those as well, with our compliments. Please leave the hardback versions for future parishioners to use.

We also hope you will stay and join us in our coffee and fellowship hour, which immediately follows the service. We want the opportunity to get to know you, and for you to get to know us. Again, welcome!

Regular services:

Great Vespers, Saturday at 6:30pm

Confession, immediately following Great Vespers, other times by appointment.

Third and Sixth Hour Prayers, Sunday at 9:40am

Divine Liturgy, immediately following the hours.

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(Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 1)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body,
You rose on the third day, O Savior,
Granting life to the world.

The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:
“Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!

Glory to Your Kingdom!//

Glory to Your dispensation, O you who love mankind!”

(Troparion for the Apostles – Tone 3)

Holy Apostles, Bartholomew and Titus,
entreat the merciful God,
to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions!

(Kontakion for Apostle Bartholomew – Tone 4)

You appeared as a great sun to the world with miracles and rays of
teaching.

You guide to the Light all who venerate you,
O Apostle of the Lord, Bartholomew.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

(Kontakion for Apostle Titus – Tone 2)

Titus, worthy of all praise and preacher of Christ’s mysteries,
you were Paul’s companion, and with him taught us the doctrine of God.
Therefore we cry out to you:

“Never cease to intercede for the sake of us all!”

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

(Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 1)

As God, You rose from the tomb in glory,
raising the world with Yourself.

Human nature praises You as God for death has vanished.

Adam exults, O Master!

Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to You://

“You are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

(then, p. 83)

Tone 1

Prokeimenon

Prokeimenon, Tone 1

Priest: Let us attend! † Peace be unto all!

Reader: And with your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 1st Tone: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You!

Choir: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You, as we have set our hope on You!

Reader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

Choir: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You, as we have set our hope on You!

Reader: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us ...

Choir: ... as we have set our hope on You, as we have set our hope on You!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Epistle – (131) 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

***Reader:* The Reading from the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.**

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last of all, like men sentenced to death, because we are made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and people.

We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You have honor, but we have dishonor. Even to this present hour, we hunger and thirst, we are naked, beaten, and we wander from place to place! We work hard, with our own hands. When people curse us, we bless in return. When we are persecuted, we endure.

When we are defamed, we try to conciliate. We are made as the filth of the world, as the dirt wiped off by all, even until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For although you have ten thousand tutors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers. For in Christ Jesus, I became your father through the Good News. I beg you therefore, be imitators of me.

Priest: † Peace be to you!

Alleluia: Tone 1

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 1st Tone: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel – (72) Matthew 17:14-23

Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. **Matthew.**

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Priest: When they came to the crowd, a man came to Jesus. He knelt down before him and said: “Lord, have mercy on my son! He is epileptic and suffers terribly as he often falls into the fire and into the water. And so, I brought him to your disciples, but they could not cure him.”

Jesus answered, “Faithless and perverse generation! How much longer must I be with you? How long must I bear with you? Bring him to me.”

When Jesus rebuked it, the demon went out of the boy and he was cured from that hour.

Then the disciples came to Jesus in private and asked, “Why were we not able to cast it out?”

Jesus replied, “Because of your unbelief! Amen, I tell you that if you have faith even like a grain of mustard, you will tell this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you! But this kind of spirit does not go out except by prayer and fasting.”

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Sermon

(then p. 89)

Please join us in our fellowship hour immediately following the dismissal!

Upcoming:

Saturday, September 7, 4:00 PM: Annual OCF welcome picnic, co-sponsored with St. George Orthodox Church in Des Moines. Hickory Shelter at Brookside Park. Come say hello to the OCF at Iowa State University (and other local universities!) and enjoy some Jethro’s BBQ. Feel free to bring desserts and drinks, non-alcoholic please, and chips. There will be other sides provided. There is a sign up list on the refreshment table, if you plan to attend.

Catechism Classes: Catechism Classes will begin Wednesday, August 28 at 6:30 PM and run for approximately 8 sessions. Due to Fr. Marty’s travel schedule, we may skip some weeks, but will target being complete before Thanksgiving.

Little Food Pantry: Please don’t forget to support the food pantry! Thank you for helping those in need in our community.

Wisdom! Let us attend!

True fasting lies in rejecting evil, holding one’s tongue, suppressing one’s hatred and banishing one’s lust, evil words, lying and betrayal of vows. (St. Basil the Great)

Let us never judge. When we see someone committing a sin, let us pray and ask God to forgive him. If we judge the mistakes of others, it means that our spiritual sight is not yet cleansed. (St. Paisios)