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DIVINE LITURGY - SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020, TONE 1 / EOTHINON 10 TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & TENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

AFTER-FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS &

RECOVERY FROM EDESSA OF THE ICON OF CHRIST NOT MADE BY HANDS: 'THE HOLY NAPKIN'



THE FIRST ANTIPHON

+ Shout with jubilation unto the Lord, all the earth. O give thanks unto the Lord and call upon His Name.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

+ In the city of our God, in His holy mountain, and His place hath been made in peace, and His dwelling in Zion. (Refrain)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. (Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

+ The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling of Jacob. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

Refrain: O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto Thee, Alleluia.

+ God hath laid her foundations unto eternity. We have thought, O God, of Thy mercy in the midst of Thy people. (Refrain)

+ The Most-high hath hallowed His tabernacle. (Refrain)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

HYMN OF ST. JUSTINIAN

Only Begotten Son and Word of God, who art immortal, Thou didst take on Thee for our salvation to be incarnate of the Holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and without change was made man, and was crucified also, O Christ our God, and by Thy death hast death subdued. Who art one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: O save, O save us.

THIRD ANTIPHON: APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE ONE

+ *Ready is my heart, O God, ready is my heart; I will sing and chant in my glory. What shall I render to the Lord for all that He hath given me? I will receive the cup of salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord.*

Refrain: In giving birth thou didst keep thy virginity; and in thy repose, thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos, for thou art the Mother of Life and thou didst pass over into life. And through thine intercessions, from death thou dost redeem our souls.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN)

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto thee: Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ICON OF CHRIST IN TONE TWO

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Wherefore, with thankfulness we cry aloud to thee: Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE ONE

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APOLYTIKION OF ST. ANNA, Righteous Ancestor of God, Mother of the Theotokos:

O godly minded Anna, thou didst give birth unto God's pure mother who conceived Him Who is our Life. Wherefore, thou hast now passed with joy to thy heavenly rest, wherein is the abode of them that rejoice in glory; and thou askest forgiveness of sins for them that honor thee with love, O ever blessed one.

KONTAKION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE TWO

Verily, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, and whose prayers are never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But since she is the Mother of Life, He Who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb did translate her to life.

TRISAGION HYMN

People: (*sung*) Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. (*three times*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.* Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

Deacon: *With Strength!*

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

~THE NEW TESTAMENT READINGS~
THE EPISTLE (For the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Deacon: *Let us attend.*

Reader: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

Deacon: *Wisdom.*

Reader: **The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:9-16)**

Deacon: *Let us attend.*

Reader: Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

ALLELUIA Tone 1 (Psalm 17)

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reader: *O God who givest avengement unto me and hast subdued peoples under me.*

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reader: *It is He that magnifieth the salvation of His king and worketh mercy for His anointed, for David, and his seed unto eternity.*

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL (For the Tenth Sunday of Matthew)

Deacon: *Wisdom. Stand upright. Let us hear the Holy Gospel.*

Priest: *Peace be to all.*

People: And to thy spirit.

Deacon: **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:14-23)**

People: Glory to thee, O Lord, Glory to thee.

Deacon: *Let us attend.*

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."

People: Glory to thee, O Lord, Glory to thee.

CHERUBIC HYMN

We who mystically represent the cherubim, and who sing to the life-giving Trinity the thrice holy hymn, let us now lay aside all earthly cares, that we may receive the King on all who comes invisibly up borne by the angelic host. *Alleluia.*

THE NICENE CREEED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Only-begotten, Begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead, Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets; And I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. I look for the Resurrection of the dead. And the Life of the world to come. *Amen.*

MEGALYNARION IT IS TRULY MEET

It is truly meet, it is truly meet, to call thee Blessed, Lady Theotokos. Lady ever-greatly blessed, and most perfect in innocence, and Mother of our God. Lady more precious than the cherubim and more glorious beyond all measure than the seraphim, who without corruption gavest birth to God the Word and art truly Theotokos, we magnify Thee, we magnify Thee.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

PRE-COMMUNION PRAYER – A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

I believe, O Lord, and I confess that thou art truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, who didst come into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. And I believe that this is truly thine own immaculate Body, and that this is truly thine own precious Blood. Wherefore I pray thee, have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance; and make me worthy to partake without condemnation of thine immaculate Mysteries, unto remission of my sins and unto life everlasting. *Amen.*

Of thy Mystic Supper, O Son of God, accept me today as a communicant: for I will not speak of thy Mystery to thine enemies, neither will I give thee a kiss as did Judas; but like the thief will I confess thee: Remember me, O Lord, in thy Kingdom. Not unto judgment nor unto condemnation be my partaking of thy Holy Mysteries, O Lord, but unto the healing of soul and body.

THE COMMUNION HYMN - KOINONIKON – Psalm 148:1-4

Refrain: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.

1). *Praise Him, all ye His Angels; praise Him, all ye His hosts. (Refrain)*

2). *Praise Him, O sun and moon; praise Him, all ye stars and light. (Refrain)*

3). *Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens, and thou water that art above the heavens. (Refrain) Alleluia.*

Deacon: *With the fear of God and faith and love, draw near.*

People: Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us.

THE PEOPLE'S COMMUNION HYMN

Receive me today, O Son of God, as partaker of Thy mystical supper; for I will not speak, for I will not speak of Thy mystery to Thine enemies, neither will I give Thee a kiss as did Judas; but like the thief will I confess Thee. Remember me, O Lord, remember me, O Lord, in Thy Kingdom.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

We have seen the true light we have received the heavenly Spirit. We have found the true faith worshipping the Trinity, undivided, who hath saved us.

LET OUR MOUTHS BE FILLED

Let our mouths be filled with Thy praise, O Lord that we may sing of Thy glory. For Thou hast made us worthy to partake of Thy holy, divine, immortal, and life creating mysteries. Keep us in Thy holiness that all the day we may meditate upon Thy righteousness. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

St. Anna Orthodox Christian Church Announcements

Receiving Holy Communion unites us with Our Lord Jesus Christ, His unoriginated Father, the Holy Spirit, our Bishop and the Church, both in heaven and on earth. To commune signifies a commitment to Holy Orthodox Christianity and that all communicants share this common Apostolic Faith. As such, only those who are members in good standing of the Holy Orthodox Christian Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and regular confession may receive the Eucharist. All those present today, including non-Orthodox, are invited to receive the Blessed Bread as a sign of our friendship.

If you not a member of the assigned group for Sunday's services please join the clergy and chanters in praying and celebrating these services by going to the St. Anna Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/StAnnaOrthodoxColumbiaTN/> If you miss the appointed time for the service, you may view and pray along with the clergy and chanters after the service is completed by clicking on the link to that service. We understand that joining these services by viewing them on your phone, tablet, computer screen or TV may not be like you are used to joining services. However, under these circumstances, complying with the directives sent to us by the Metropolitan and doing all we can to not put any of you at a health risk during these uncertain days, we believe these online services will be a great way to supplement your personal and family prayers. May God protect and have mercy on us all.

UPCOMING SERVICES:

Sunday, August 16: Orthros (9:00 am) and Divine Liturgy (10:00 am) (Group A)

Saturday, August 22: Great Vespers (5:00 pm) – *All are welcome*

Sunday, August 23: Orthros (9:00 am) and Divine Liturgy (10:00 am) (Group B)

Saturday, August 29: Great Vespers (5:00 pm) – *All are welcome*

Sunday, August 30: Orthros (9:00 am) and Divine Liturgy (10:00 am) (Group A)

SERVICE GROUP PROSPHORA (Holy Bread Baking) EPISTLE READER

Sun, August 16 – A Anna Rose (B) Ben Kelley

Sun, August 23 – B Anna Rose (F) Kevin Hathaway

Sun, August 30 – A Anna Rose (F) Grant Kelley

ROOF REPAIRS - We received confirmation last week that a commercial roofing company will begin repairs on the roof beginning this Monday, Aug 17. Their presence will include a dumpster, a crane and roofing materials on the front parking area and north side of our building as well as their request that we empty out sections of our building under the area where they are working. They plan to do the repairs in sections - 1/4 or 1/3 of the roof at a time. As they are removing the old flat roofing materials and rafters the building will leak if it rains and they don't want our contents to be ruined during these repairs. This repair, being paid in full by the landlord, will include the removal of the rafter system on the top of the original flat roof and restore this building to its original flat roof look. They anticipate these repairs will take about 2 weeks. It will mean us temporarily moving our chairs and altar items to "protected" areas of the building as they are working to

keep them from being exposed to potential rain. There will likely be times during this process where we will need the help of you or your family members to move our items inside the building on short notice. Please keep this in mind over the next few weeks if we send out a notice requesting help. Hopefully, these repairs will stop the puddles of water on our floors and furnishings and improve the long-term integrity of this building for the landlord. Thank you, in advance, for your help with this project and for your continued prayers for our church.

We are in need of a small group(s) willing to meet at St. Anna following Sunday services to clean and disinfect seats, bathrooms, door knobs and handles, icon and candle stands and any other areas people are likely to come in contact with. Three individuals per team is sufficient. The same distancing and mask protocols as during services would be in effect. If you can participate in this vital ministry, please contact Fr. Stephen at frsrogers@hotmail.com.

Current Healthcare Protocols

1. Practice social distancing: family units may stand together, with each household six feet apart.
2. As a sacrificial expression of love for one another, wearing of face masks is STRONGLY encouraged. Those unwilling or unable (small children) are asked to congregate in the fellowship area of the space. Masks are available to each family at the back when you first return to the church.
3. Spacing for communion is to remain intact. Approach the chalice with your mouth open. Small children and infants to commune last.
4. If you or any of your family or co-workers or friends with whom you have come into contact are exhibiting any of the Coronavirus symptoms please stay home and allow us to pray for the restoration of your health.
5. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant soap are available for your use as you enter the building at the kitchen sink and in the restrooms.

ST. ANNA PRAYER REQUESTS: (Please send additions to this Prayer List to: DnAndrewShort@Gmail.com)

- Planning for our church - Please pray for all of those involved with the short-term and long-term plans.
- Ben/Hannah Kelley – expecting a baby in Sept.
- BJ, Anna and Naomi Faith Rose
- Rita Trimble
- Jayne Robbins
- Jordan Reesor (Basil's nephew)
- McCaffrey family (friends of Webster's)
- Ben Hathaway Family (Kevin/Laura's son)
- Robert Meese
- Anna Derryberry-Carter (Basil's sister)
- Robbie Derryberry (Basil's brother)
- Jen Bailey
- Melody Reddecopp (Anna Rose's friend)
- Mark Dumond (Julie's husband)
- TJ Segrest (Kevin and Laura Hathaway's friend)
- Kevin and Laura Hathaway
- Hunter Kerr (Donovan & Holly's oldest son)
- Bonnie (Rachel Meese's grandmother – 100 yrs)
- Lisa Trimble
- Brad & family (friend of the Websters)
- Allen (Jairus Mayer's cousin)
- Cynthia Midgett (Nancy Webster's friend)
- Nila Dumond (Julie's mother-in-law)
- Julie Dumond
- Sister Stavriane (The Short's daughter)
- Lindsay Weaver
- Newly Departed - J. R. Meese (Robert's father)

✠ Holy Righteous Ancestor of God, Anna, pray for us. ✠

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3rd ANNUAL SPIRITUAL FALL RETREAT

IT'S VIRTUAL & FREE!

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for
brethren to dwell together in unity."
- Psalm 133:1

SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 2nd - 4th, 2020

A DOMSE spiritual retreat for Clergy,
Antiochian Men, Antiochian Women, Young Adults,
Teen SOYO, and DOMSE Kids!