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May 2, 2021

Acts 1:1-8 (Epistle)

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John 1:1-17 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship and fellowship.  
If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

## Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

**TODAY Holy Pascha, The Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**

0:00 am Paschal Procession, Midnight Matins, Divine Liturgy, Blessing of the Baskets

**LIVE Stream on St. Nicholas Facebook Page**

*Fast Free 5/2 - 5/9*

12:00 pm Paschal Vespers, Blessing of the Baskets

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**Monday, May 3 Bright Monday**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

**Friday, May 7**

7:00 pm Orthodoxy Study

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**Saturday, May 8 Bright Saturday**

4:45 pm Ninth Hour

5:00 pm Great Vespers

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**Sunday, May 9 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pascha; St Thomas; MOTHER'S DAY;**

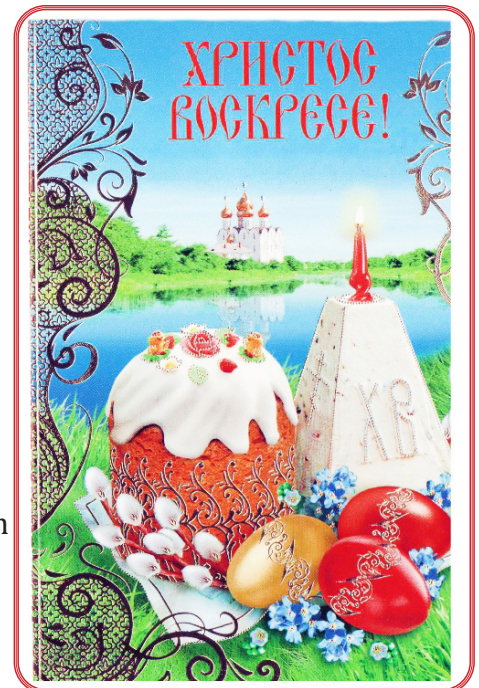
Prophet Isaiah (†8<sup>TH</sup> c. B.C.); Martyr Christopher of Lycia, and with him Martyrs Callinika and Aquilina (ca. †250): Translation of the Relics of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker from Myra to Bari (†1087); Ven. Shio of Georgia (†6<sup>TH</sup> c.)

9:40 am Third Hours & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am Divine Liturgy, General Memorial Service

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**From Your Pastor** Christ is Risen! What were the first words that people heard from the Risen Lord? What He said was: "*Peace be with you*" and He repeated them three times this momentous greeting. Even before His death on the Cross, Jesus said to His Disciples: "*Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you.*" (John 14:27). It is the peace that Orthodox Saints possessed in their hearts, which had been soothed by the Lord. They were not troubled by any of the world's vanities that they had rejected. They lived a deep, inner life of the spirit calmed by God. This is the kind of peace, that Christ gives His disciples and those who are worthy to be called His friends and followers. It is a peace that no one can ever take away. I wish to every one of us to received this gift of Peace from our Lord. **Indeed He is Risen!**



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Danelle BERGSTROM Tom KOMPARE Richard JOVANOVIH Jovan HAUG Lubov SIROTUK  
Sevasti BERGSTROM Georgia PATTEN Galyna SHAFRANEC Elena PAVLOVA Carrie BARON  
Katherina BRADLEY June BRADLEY Joseph ORLOVICH Jose FELIX

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER** Sunday, April 25, 2021 - Donation \$1,076.00

**Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death,  
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.**

**Today Epistle (Acts 1:1-8)**

Brethren... The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

**Today Gospel (John 1:1-17)**

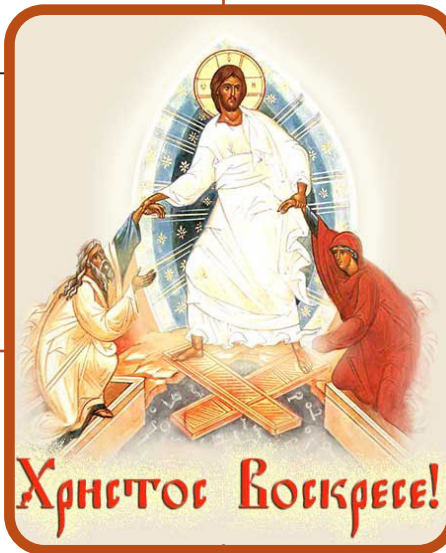
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

**Апостол Дня (Деяния 1:1-8)**

Братия...Первую книгу написал я к тебе, Феофил, о всем, что Иисус делал и чему учил от начала до того дня, в который Он вознесся, дав Святым Духом повеления Апостолам, которых Он избрал, которым и явил Себя живым, по страдании Своем, со многими верными доказательствами, в продолжение сорока дней являясь им и говоря о Царствии Божиим. И, собрав их, Он повелел им: не отлучайтесь из Иерусалима, но ждите обещанного от Отца, о чем вы слышали от Меня, ибо Иоанн крестил водою, а вы, через несколько дней после сего, будете крещены Духом Святым. Посему они, сойдясь, спрашивали Его, говоря: не в сие ли время, Господи, восстанавлиешь Ты царство Израиле? Он же сказал им: не ваше дело знать времена или сроки, которые Отец положил в Своей власти, но вы примете силу, когда сойдет на вас Дух Святой; и будете Мне свидетелями в Иерусалиме и во всей Иудее и Самарии и даже до края земли.

**Евангелие Дня (Иоанна 1:1-17)**

В начале было Слово, и Слово было у Бога, и Слово было Бог. Оно было в начале у Бога. Все чрез Него начало быть, и без Него ничто не начало быть, что начало быть. В Нем была жизнь, и жизнь была свет человеков. И свет во тьме светит, и тьма не объяла его. Был человек, посланный от Бога; имя ему Иоанн. Он пришел для свидетельства, чтобы свидетельствовать о Свете, дабы все уверовали чрез него. Он не был свет, но был послан, чтобы свидетельствовать о Свете. Был Свет истинный, Который просвещает всякого человека, приходящего в мир. В мире был, и мир чрез Него начал быть, и мир Его не познал. Пришел к своим, и свои Его не приняли. А тем, которые приняли Его, верующим во имя Его, дал власть быть чадами Божиими, которые ни от крови, ни от хотения плоти, ни от хотения мужа, но от Бога родились. И Слово стало плотью, и обитало с нами, полное благодати и истины; и мы видели славу Его, славу, как Единородного от Отца. Иоанн свидетельствует о Нем и, восклицая, говорит: Сей был Тот, о Котором я сказал, что Идущий за мною стал впереди меня, потому что был прежде меня. И от полноты Его все мы приняли и благодать на благодать, ибо закон дан чрез Моисея; благодать же и истина произошли чрез Иисуса Христа.



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**Christ is Risen! Христос Воскрес! Христὸς ἀνέστη!  
Христос Воскресе! iCristo ha Resucitado!  
Hristos a Înviat! Христос Възкреси! Cristo è Risorto!**