



Sunday, August 6, 2017

# St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox Church

A PARISH OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OUTSIDE OF RUSSIA—EASTERN AMERICAN DIOCESE

Great Vespers & Confessions each Saturday at 6 pm – Bible Study each Wednesday at 7 pm – Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10 am

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## Liturgical Services/Activities:

**Sun. Aug. 6/July 24**

**9th Sunday after Pentecost. SS. Boris & Gleb, Passion-Bearers of Kiev (1015 AD)**

**9:15 a.m.** Choir Practice

**9:45 a.m.** Reading of the Third Hour

**10:00 a.m.** Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour

**1:00 p.m.** Special Parish Assembly (for 1 item)

**Wed. Aug. 9/July 27**

**Holy Great-martyr and Healer Panteleimon (305 AD)**

*(Watch this space in September!)*

**Sat. Aug. 12/July 30**

**Righteous Eudokimos of Cappadocia (9th c.)**

*Great Vespers & Holy Confessions not offered this week or next Saturday*

**Sun. Aug. 13/July 31**

**10th Sunday after Pentecost. Forefeast of the Procession of the Precious and Life-giving Cross of the Lord.**

**9:15 a.m.** Choir Practice

**9:45 a.m.** Reading of the Third Hour

**10:00 a.m.** Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour (*Fr. Damian Dantinne, Guest Celebrant*)



*SS Boris & Gleb,  
Passion-Bearers of Kiev*

## Attendance

Great Vespers, 7/29 – 16

Divine Liturgy, 7/30 – 50

## 2017 Finances

**The Parish needs \$1588.81 /week to meet budget**

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
Year-to-date	\$ 46,441.44	- \$ 2,811.67
July 23	\$1,686.00	+ \$97.19
July 30	\$991.00	- \$597.81

*Honor the Lord from your righteous labors and offer Him the first fruits from the fruits of righteousness, that your storehouses may be full*

## Intercessory Prayer List

*Archpriest Alexander requests that you send him to full name and general reason for intercessory prayer (such as health or illness, unemployment, family issues, military deployment to Afghanistan, etc.) for his pastoral care. Only the names of the living (and recently deceased) will be included in the prayer list in the weekly bulletin. He also requests that the faithful who have requested intercessory prayers for various persons let him know when there is no longer a specific need for prayer, so that we may keep the list current.*

LIVING: Rebecca Laymon, Judith (Maria) Cook, Ana Rosado-Nazario, Ann Yuschak, Sarah Heitke, Dsa. Monica Pappas, Paisley Joanna Milligan, Charles Jordan, Matushka Kathleen Webster, Emma Nicole Parkinson, Veronica Sirko, Kristin Milligan, Donna Colaianni, Archpriest Michael Sekela, Patricia Connerley, Martha Connerley, Kathy Sekela, Mark Laymon, Kristin Blaylock, Janis Sergeant, Millicent Novic, Ray Liddick, Leonidas Stylianopoulos, Sophia Stylianopoulos, Chad Gallagher, Matushka Cindy Joanna Mitchell, Protodeacon Brian Patrick Mitchell, Presvytera Flora Chioros, Father Stanley Voyiazakis, Presvytera Katherine Baker, Monk Anthony (West Virginia), Archpriest George Larin, Matushka Masha Potopav, Matushka Sophia Doubleday, Evdokiya Bykon, Kevin McCarthy, James Dunham, 2LT Benjamin Stracquatano, USA (Korea), David Jones (Peace Corps, Ghana), James Puckett, Nora Milligan, Archpriest Victor Potapov, Archpriest John Nehrebecki, Archpriest Theodore Shomsky, Archimandrite Iov (Holy Trinity Monastery), Jo Ann Swift, Archpriest George Rados, Abbess Makaria, James and Bryce Wilt, Ryan Wilt, Logan Peters, Sandra Brown, Glen A. Cooper, Kiernan Green, Protodeacon Nicholas Lukianov, Matushka Nadejda Revitsky, John Hershey, Archpriest George Johnson, Lisa King Buka, Richard Buka Sr., Gene King, Howard J. Stickle, Larry Terrell, Matushka Larisa Hutnyan, Jackie Leopold, Ellaine Baron, Protodeacon Pavel Wolkow, Mother Theodora, Jerry Laxson, Archpriest Alexander Veronis, James Kushiner, Michael Gann, James Scott Jr., Anders Bjorklund, Maria Papademetriou, Peter and Laura Roshak and baby Mark, Protopresbyter Valery Lukianov, Archpriest George Kallaur, Archpriest Paul Ivanov, Christina Spannic, Ksenia Resnikoff, Maximos Andreas Winans, Michelle Duckett, Deacon Nicholas Pappas, Kevin McDonald, Elizabeth Orlovsky, Conley Rohall, Jean Manco, Katherine Katsikas, the captive Orthodox bishops from Aleppo, Syria: His Eminence Archbishop Boulos (Yazigi) and Mar Archbishop Youhanna Ibrahim

**Memory Eternal:** Catherine Perme, Rose Marie Webster, Archpriest Mark Gomez

## Many Years!

### Names Days

13 Chuck McLeod  
28 Judith Cook

### Birthdays

16 Joachim Sirko  
17 Timothy St. Clair  
Gina Van Weddingen  
20 Dale Gillam  
22 Karina Coman  
25 John Coman

26 Daniel Van Weddingen  
29 Stacie Gillam  
31 Jonathan Baggett  
Sarah Heitke

### Anniversaries

7 Joe & Ilena Henry

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It has fallen on me to write to you about money.

In the churches where I grew up, it was customary once a year, on Pledge Sunday, to read the lesson of the Widow's Mite for the Gospel... and it was followed with a sermon wherein the pastor would scan those assembled with one eyebrow raised, asking through a frown whether we truly meant to give to the extent that widow gave.

I am happy to note that such things don't tend to happen in Orthodox parishes.

Nor do we send entreaties akin to what you see from the political action groups of your preferred flavor, wherein, no matter the cause, certain doom is assured if you don't send a donation today.

However, a frank assessment of our current financial situation is actually somewhat disappointing.

Our Summer attendance is traditionally lower than the rest of the year. That normally results in a financial shortfall. That deficit has always turned black instead of red in the fall - or certainly before the end of the calendar year - when attendance returns to normal. But this summer's attendance has lagged behind 2016 by approximately 10 persons (and by 5 compared to 2015), and we've been pinched harder than expected.

This also comes at a time when we are attempting to budget for a new rector who happens to be a bishop. This brings a new set of challenges.

It's understandable that summer attendance may be low. But please remember that the parish still needs your support, particularly right now.

I firmly believe that the Holy Spirit will continue to bless our parish as He has so far. This isn't a dire situation. But it is a situation that invites us to stop a recurring problem.

Yours in Christ,  
Joe Milligan  
Parish Warden

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### Fellowship Hour

Aug. 6 ~ Fellowship provided by  
Team 1

Aug. 13 ~ Fellowship provided by  
Team 2

If anyone has any questions or is interested in hosting a particular Sunday please contact Nancy St. Clair.

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### Reader Schedule

Aug. 6 ~ Reader Moses Swift  
Aug. 13 ~ Reader Steve Terrell

If you are interested in assisting with the reading and becoming a tonsured reader please contact Deacon Alexander.

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### Prosfora

Areti Stylianopoulos is currently providing the Prosfora. If you are interested in helping to make Prosfora for the church, please contact Nancy St. Clair.

### Registration for Iconography Workshop is Now Due!

If you have not registered for our annual iconography workshop here at St. Herman's, please send it in right away. It promises to be a spirit-filled, time-worthy week as a retreat, while learning and working to complete an icon in the ancient Byzantine-Russian style. We will apply egg tempera and gold leaf to a prepared wooden board. Registration forms and fliers are located in the hall in a folder next to our library door. Please turn them in to Mat. Joanna Laymon.

**DATES:** Monday, Sept. 11- Sat. Sept. 16

**TIMES:** 8:30/9:00 – 4:00/5:30 daily

**PERSONAL TALENT:** none required, as it's a scared endeavor for all skill levels

**THE ICON:** Beginning: Archangel Michael. For others, based on your experience. (Advanced students will do the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord.)

**SUPPLIES:** Included with tuition.

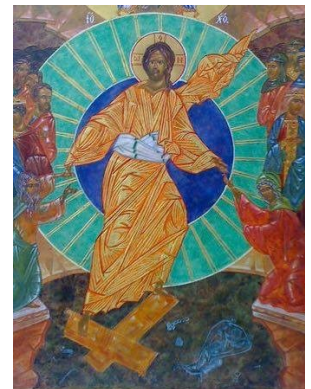
**TOTAL TUITION/SUPPLIES:** Based on the icon.

**LUNCHES:** Potluck, provided by all, staggered through the week.

**HOTEL:** discounted rooms available nearby.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Mat. Joanna Laymon, [sttheodosiaconguild@yahoo.com](mailto:sttheodosiaconguild@yahoo.com)



### Please Help S.E.R.V.E.!

SATURDAY AUGUST 12th will be our second opportunity to help S.E.R.V.E. with the Stuff the Truck food drive at the White Oak Giant location from 9-5 (2 hour shifts). Volunteers are needed! There will be a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall or you can email Lori Mellor at [lmcomb@live.com](mailto:lmcomb@live.com).



### A National Night Out

A thank you to our clergy, the 9 parishioners and other friends of the church who helped out at National Night Out 2017 on August the 1st. We answered many questions from the public concerning our faith. Some asked out of curiosity while others seemed "on a search". The presence of the large icons attracted the attention of other Orthodox people who live in Stafford County. If God the Holy Trinity wills it, perhaps we will see new people at our Divine Liturgy - both Orthodox and inquirers.

We are registered with two broadcast media weather alert systems: (1) television: WJLA-TV (channel 7) and News Channel 8, and (2) radio: WTOP radio (103.5, 103.9, 107.7 – all FM) and WTOP.com Any closings will also be posted on the home page of our website and via email to those who have asked to be on our electronic mailing list.