



Sunday, October 11, 2020

# 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: *(please remember to sign up for services and communion)*

- Sun. Oct. 11/Sept. 28**     **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Venerable Chariton the Confessor, abbot of Palestine (AD 350).**  
**9:30 a.m.**     Reading of the Hours  
**10:00 a.m.**     Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship
- Tues. Oct. 13/Sept. 30**     **Hieromartyr Gregory, bishop of Greater Armenia (AD 335).**  
**6:30 p.m.**     Vespers for the Protection of the Mother of God
- Wed. Oct. 14/Oct. 1**     **The Protection of Our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.**  
**9:30 a.m.**     Reading of the Hours  
**10:00 a.m.**     Divine Liturgy for the Protection of the Mother of God  
**6:30 p.m.**     Vespers  
**7:00 p.m.**     Adult Religious Education Class
- Sat. Oct. 17/Oct. 4**     **Venerable Damian the Healer (AD 1071), and Venerables Jeremiah (AD 1070) and Matthew (AD 1085), clairvoyants of the Kiev Caves.**  
**4:00 p.m.**     Catechumen class  
**5:15 p.m.**     Confessions  
**6:00 p.m.**     Vigil
- Sun. Oct. 18/Oct. 5**     **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Martyr Charitina of Amisus (AD 304)**  
**9:30 a.m.**     Reading of the Hours  
**10:00 a.m.**     Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with Ordination followed by Fellowship

*The risk of the COVID virus has compelled some of our parishioners to absent themselves from public contact including attendance at the Divine Liturgy. If you have been unable to come to church and would like to have communion brought to your home, please contact Fr. Alexander at 540-212-1855 or [anevsky54@gmail.com](mailto:anevsky54@gmail.com).*

### Attendance

Great Vespers, 10/3--

Divine Liturgy, 10/4--

Vespers, 10/7--

### 2020 Finances

**The Parish needs \$2,110/week to meet budget**

<u>Week</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>	<u>Difference from amount needed</u>
Year-to-date	\$ 112,990.50	+ \$ 27,787.72
September 27	\$ 5,149.00	+ \$ 3,039.00
October 4	\$ 1,567.00	- \$ 543.00

*Honor the Lord from your righteous labors and offer Him the first fruits from the fruits of righteousness, that your storehouses may be filled with an abundance of grain and your wine presses may gush with wine. .*

### Intercessory Prayer List

*Metropolitan Jonah requests that you send him the 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:** Sarah, Emmanuel, Mark, Claudia, Katherine, Erika, Victoria, Michael, Tate, Renate, Dieter, Rebekah, Sofia, Ioannis, Anastasia, Elizabeth, Georgia, John, Elena, Alice, Matthew, Boris, Elizabeth, Davis (Columba), Moses, Emma, Kristin, Monk Sergius, Priest John, Priest David, Priest Costa, Priest Michael, Presbyteria Cindy, Priest George, Presbyteria Areti, Nun Aimiliane, Priest Charalambos, Monk Serapheim, Elizabeth, Katje, Rachel, Mandi, Clive, Clair, Rebecca, Janis, Paisley, George, Archpriest Alexander, Matushka Kathleen, Emma Nicole, Alexa Kate, Steven, Millicent, Archpriest Victor, Matushka Masha, Pdn. Patrick, Matushka Joanna, Matushka Sophia, Mother Theodora, Archpriest Alexander, James, Leonidas, Sophia, Maria, Larry, Bill, Modestos, Katya & Michael, Ephraim, Reader Moses, Jo Ann, Sarah, Paul, Laura and baby Mary, Brianna, Robert, Baby Nina, Charley & Alexandra, Irina & baby, Rebecca, Melissa & babies

**MEMORY ETERNAL:** Mark Laymon, William Laymon, Sr.

**Found:** A gold chain necklace was found on the grounds of St. Herman's. If you think it might be yours, please contact me, Kristin Milligan.



### Fellowship Hour

Oct. 18 Fellowship Team 3  
Oct. 25 Fellowship Team 4

If anyone would like to join a team or be put on the list of substitutes, or is interested in hosting a particular Sunday please contact Brianna Lessin or Mat. Veronica Sirko.



### Reader Schedule

Oct. 18 ~ Rdr. Michael Yuschak  
Oct. 25 ~ Rdr. Stephen Terrell

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



### Prosfora

Nancy St. Clair and Brianna Lessin are currently providing the Prosfora. If you are interested in helping to make Prosfora for the church, please contact Nancy St. Clair.

*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.*

## Readings for the Week of October 11<sup>th</sup>

### Sunday 10/11

John 20:1-10 (7th Matins Gospel)  
2 Corinthians 9:6-11  
Luke 5:1-11  
2 Corinthians 4:6-15 *Saint*  
Luke 6:17-23 *Saint*

### Monday 10/12

Philippians 1:1-7  
Luke 4:37-44

### Tuesday 10/13

Philippians 1:8-14  
Luke 5:12-16  
Wednesday Reading  
Philippians 1:12-20  
Luke 5:33-39

### Wednesday 10/14

Luke 1:39-49, 56 *Matins Gospel*  
Hebrews 9:1-7 *Epistle, Theotokos*  
Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 *Gospel, Theotokos*

### Thursday 10/15

Philippians 1:20-27  
Luke 6:12-19  
1 Timothy 1:12-17 *Saints*  
John 10:9-16 *Saints*

### Friday 10/16

Philippians 1:27-2:4  
Luke 6:17-23  
Acts 17:16-34 *Hieromartyr*  
Matthew 13:44-54 *Hieromartyr*

### Saturday 10/17

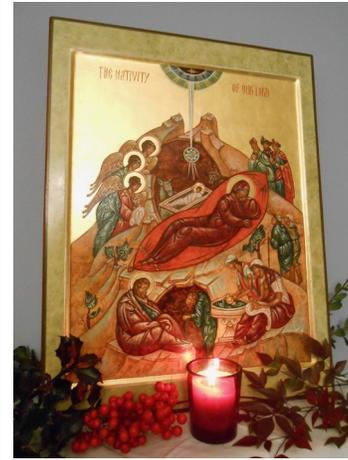
1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3  
Luke 5:17-26

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are still short of our goal to secure the funds to take us through the design phase of our temple construction project. Our immediate goal is to raise \$120k and we still have to raise a little less than \$90,000 more to make that goal. If we don't make that goal then we will need to finance the remainder to get to the end of design phase. If you plan to donate to the building fund, please do so now to help us avoid seeking financing.

Remember that our Architectural Designer, Robert Latsko, is in Virginia and working diligently on our design. He is giving us an overview of the week's work every Sunday after lunch. If you are able to, please join us to see the latest! We are getting close to having a 3d rendering to forward for oohs and ahs.

-Joe Milligan (Warden)



**When you Donate toward a Feast Day Icon You are Also Supporting the Building Fund for St. Herman's Future Church!**

Our parish is requesting donations to sponsor our handwritten feast day icons, either totally or in part. Our goal is to raise \$3000 per icon. Two-thirds of the donations will be given to the church's building fund. Your donation can be in any amount. Please indicate

with your check the feast day icon you prefer.

Please support this project for the beauty of our present and future church, according to the gift of God's Grace and to His Glory.

### Sunday School will begin October 25<sup>th</sup>!

We will have a Sunday School kick-off on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Parents and kids can meet teachers and parishioners can come and see what the kids will be learning over the year. Class time has been moved from directly after Communion to about 15 min after Fellowship has begun, so the teachers and kids can eat and then immediately go to their classes. We still need a teacher (preferably two) for grades 1-5. Curriculum is provided, and we are happy to answer any questions you might have about teaching. This is a great way to support our children and our families. Please consider helping out in this important way.

### The Morning Offering: Fortifying Ourselves

October 4, 2020

#### We must fortify ourselves with prayer and contrition

It is by leading a life of continual contrition and uninterrupted prayer that we will conquer all the delusions that we harbor in our hearts, and firmly resolve to stay the course even unto death.

We must fortify ourselves in keeping up our courage when we are consumed by evil thoughts. We must not for one moment give into Satan's attempt to defeat us by evil preoccupations, lest we be hindered from lifting our eyes and hearts to God with a contrite spirit.

If we truly desire to be open to the transformational power of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we must be patient and loving towards others, remembering the words of Saint John of Kronstadt, who said, "Be then indulgent, patient, and loving to those who live with you, and who also suffer from many passions; conquer every evil by good, and, above all, pray to God for them, that He may correct them—that He may turn their hearts to Himself, the source of holiness."

With love in Christ,  
Abbot Tryphon

Taken from: <https://blogs.ancientfaith.com/morningoffering/2020/10/fortifying-ourselves/>

"If you want to serve God, prepare your heart not for food, not for drink, not for rest, not for ease, but for suffering, so that you may endure all temptations, trouble and sorrow. Prepare for severities, fasts, spiritual struggles and many afflictions, for "by many afflictions is it appointed to us to enter the Kingdom of Heaven" (Acts 14,22); 'The Heavenly Kingdom is taken by force, and the who use force seize it.' (Matt 11:12) + St. Sergius of Radonezh, Life, 10