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29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday before the Theophany/Eve of the  
Theophany



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## *Troparion and Kontakion*

### **Tone 4 Troparion**     *(Resurrection)*

When the women disciples of the Lord  
learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection,  
they cast away the ancestral curse  
and elatedly told the apostles:  
“Death is overthrown!  
Christ God is risen,//  
granting the world great mercy!”

### **Tone 4 Troparion of the Forefeast**

The river Jordan was turned back by the mantle of Elisha,  
after Elijah had been taken up to heaven.  
The waters were parted in two,  
and the stream became a dry path.  
This was truly a type of baptism,  
by which we pass over the stream of life.//  
Christ has shone forth in the Jordan to sanctify the waters.

### **Tone 4 Kontakion**     *(Resurrection)*

My Savior and Redeemer  
as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from  
their chains.  
He has shattered the gates of hell,  
and as Master,//  
He has risen on the third day!

### **Tone 2 Kontakion**     *(Forefeast)*

O Christ, in Thy compassion and infinite mercy,  
Thou art coming as a man to be baptized in the Jordan,  
in order to take away the many transgressions of us all,  
clothing me in the garment of ancient glory  
of which I was cruelly stripped bare.

### **Tone 4 Kontakion**     *(Forefeast)*

Today the Lord enters the Jordan and cries out to John:  
“Do not be afraid to baptize me,//  
for I come to save Adam, the first-formed man!”

*Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:5-8*

<sup>5</sup> But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. <sup>6</sup> For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. <sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup> Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

*Gospel: Mark 1:1-8*

1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

<sup>2</sup> As it is written in the Prophets:

“Behold, I send My messenger before Your face, Who will prepare Your way before You.” <sup>3</sup> “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; Make His paths straight.’ ”

<sup>4</sup> John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. <sup>5</sup> Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to him and were all baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins.

<sup>6</sup> Now John was clothed with camel’s hair and with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup> And he preached, saying, “There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose. <sup>8</sup> I indeed baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Many Years!

1 George Moore

1 Edward Demenchonok

3 Sandra Olsen

5 Steven Giles

6 Alexander Gratigny

6 Olga Uchakin

**Anniversaries**

1 Colin & Molly Croft

*Announcements for Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 2020*

- Today: we will have the Great Blessing of the Waters in the church immediately following the Liturgy.
- Today is a fast day.
- The Great Feast of Theophany is tomorrow. We will serve Divine Liturgy for the feast tomorrow at 9am.
- Family Church School is scheduled for Saturday, January 11 @ 4pm.
- Next Sunday, we will not have Matins, instead we will be Chrismating Dan and Felix before the Divine Liturgy @ 9:30am.
- Next Sunday, after the Liturgy we will have the Blessing of the Waters at Amerson Park. Please bring a dish or a drink for our picnic!

*We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy this morning.*

There are green service booklets in the entrance area of our Church that will help you follow along with the service if you like. While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the cross and receiving the Holy Bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Please join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall!