Presanctified Liturgy

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We offer a most sincere and heart-felt welcome to St. Nicholas Church! Please be advised that according to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves to receive the Holy Sacrament.

(Please note - Information to be included in next Sunday's bulletin must be submitted by noon on Thursday. Thank you! ~ Jennifer N. Bzik)

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"Lord I Call..."

(Tone 7) Lord, I call upon Thee, hear me! Hear me, O Lord! Lord, I call upon Thee, hear me! Receive the voice of my prayer, when I call upon Thee! Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer arise in Thy sight as incense, and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice! Hear me, O Lord!

- (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Thy Name.
- (9) The righteous will surround me, for Thou wilt deal bountifully with me.
- (8) Out of the depths I cry to Thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!
- (7) Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
- (6) If Thou, O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee.
- (5) For Thy Name's sake I wait for Thee, O Lord. My soul has waited for Thy word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.
- (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

Tone 7 Idiomelon (from the Lenten Triodion)

My soul's nobility has been enslaved to passions. Like a beast, I cannot lift up my eyes to Thee, O Most High. But bowing down, O Christ, I pray like the Publican and cry: "Have mercy on me, O God, and save me!"

(3) For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

(Repeat: "My soul's nobility...")

(2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

Let us honor with hymns the most-glorious Maximus, the great Terence, the most-wise Pompeius, the divine Macarius and Africanus and with them the whole company of martyrs.

By their own blood they purchased the highest Kingdom// and were filled with eternal glory!

(1) For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Neither starvation nor misfortune, nor life nor death was able to separate you, O glorious ones, from the love you have towards Him Who created you! Therefore you inherited the Kingdom of heaven, inexhaustible sweetness and unending joy.// Pray for cleansing and mercy for us!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 2 (for the Departed, by St. John of Damascus)

Woe is me! How great a struggle the soul endures at its parting from the body! Woe is me! How many tears it sheds then! But there is none to show it compassion. It turns to the angels, but prays in vain; stretching out its hands to people, it finds no one to help. Therefore, my beloved brethren, reflecting on the shortness of our life, let us beseech Christ to give rest to the departed, and grant great mercy to our souls!

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 2 (Theotokion - Dogmatikon)

The shadow of the Law passed when grace came; as the Bush burned, yet was not consumed, so the Virgin gave birth, yet remained a Virgin. The Righteous Sun has risen instead of a pillar of flame. Instead of Moses, Christ, the Salvation of our souls.

Tone 4 Prokeimenon

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Thou that leadest Joseph like a flock! (Ps. 79:1)

Thou Who art enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth! (Ps. 79:2a)

Reading from Genesis (12:1-7)

Now the Lord had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram departed as the Lord had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan. Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites were then in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." And there he built an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him.

Tone 4 Prokeimenon

Rejoice in God, our helper! (Ps. 80:1a)

Raise a song, sound the timbrel! (Ps. 80:2a)

Reading from Proverbs (14:15-26)

The simple believes every word, but the prudent considers well his steps. A wise man fears and departs from evil, but a fool rages and is self-confident. A quick-tempered man acts foolishly, and a man of wicked intentions is hated. The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge. The evil will bow before the good, and the wicked at the gates of the righteous. The poor man is hated even by his own neighbor, but the rich has many friends. He who despises his neighbor sins; but he who has mercy on the poor, happy is he. Do they not go astray who devise evil? But mercy and truth belong to those who devise good. In all labor there is profit, but idle chatter leads only to poverty. The crown of the wise is their riches, but the foolishness of fools is folly. A true witness delivers souls, but a deceitful witness speaks lies. In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence, and His children will have a place of refuge.

Heavenly Father...

Physician of our souls and bodies, Who has sent Your only-begotten Son to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal us, Your Servants, from all physical and spiritual ailments, through the grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant to us patience in this sickness, strength of body, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your Word to pray for each other that we may be healed. For You are the source of healing, and to You we give glory; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers for the Health of the Servants of God:

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Child of God: Emily Estrin

Handmaidens of God: Corinne Gahles Stuckey, Amanda Riley, Natalie Stepanoff and their unborn children

Please remember them and all our homebound and nursing home parishioners in your daily intercessory prayers.