

TWELVE THINGS TO KNOW



The service will last about 1.5 hours. Many people stand, but feel free to take a seat if needed. See † on page 2 for times when one should stand, if able.



Only those united to the Orthodox Church through Baptism, Chrismation, regular Confession, prayer, and fasting may partake of Holy Communion.



Restrooms are located down the stairs & past the kitchen. There is also an ADA restroom on the 1st floor of Trinity House. See a greeter for assistance.



Help us keep in touch with you! Sign the guest register in the Narthex (vestibule) and provide your email (for weekly update) and/or snail mail (for monthly newsletter).



Please join us downstairs for coffee and snacks following Divine Liturgy. We would love to get to know you!



Welcome, PSU students! Get involved in our active campus ministry program by seeing a fellow student or emailing orthodox@psu.edu.



There is a crying room/nursery downstairs. Audio of the service is piped in!



Holy Trinity has an education program for kids K-12, which meets Sundays at 9am (Sept. – May). Contact Deacon Mark for info.



Our bookstore, located next door in Trinity House, is a great resource for all things Orthodox.



Holy Trinity provides guidance to the Chapel of the Holy Spirit, our growing Orthodox mission in Beavertown. Contact Father David for details.



Lost and left items are kept for you in the Parish Hall Office. After several weeks, unclaimed items will be donated to charity.



On Sundays, 27 spaces are available at the SW corner of Calder Way and Lark Alley. Other days, only the gravel spots are open.

FOR THE RECORD

ATTENDANCE

Holy Trinity (12/6):	68
Chapel of the Holy Spirit (12/6):	18

YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Budget Goal:	\$5,300
Collection (12/6):	\$8,859
Average – Last 4 Weeks:	\$4,431
Average – Last 12 Weeks:	\$4,508
Average – Last 52 Weeks:	\$4,741

ST. NICHOLAS TREE

There are still multiple slots on our online St. Nicholas Tree open for you to provide a Christmas gift to someone in need. This year we will be providing gifts to 41 people (20 adults and 21 children) in our region who would not otherwise have any presents to open on Christmas. Please review the online gift list at holytrinity-oca.org/angeltree and help as you are able in order to spread cheer and blessings to our community. **The deadline for dropping off gifts at the church or arranging a contactless pickup is Monday, December 21.** Please wrap each gift and include a tag with the recipient's number. Thank you!



HOLY TRINITY

ORTHODOX CHURCH

Building Up the Church Beyond Our Parish

~ Holy Trinity Church is a community of Orthodox Christians seeking to glorify God by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in its entirety to all people in the Centre Region and beyond ~

December 13, 2020

27th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday of the Holy Forefathers

Repose of Ven. Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of All America

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THE DIVINE LITURGY

GATHERING the Church

- ♦ Great Litany (p.29) †
- ♦ The Antiphons (p.32)

PROCLAIMING the Word

- ♦ Little Entrance (p.39) †
- ♦ Today's Hymns (see next column)
Epistle Reading: *Galatians 5:22-6:2*,
Colossians 3:4-11,
- ♦ Gospel Reading: *Luke 14:16-24, 6:17-23* †
- ♦ Sermon

THANKSGIVING for Redemption

- ♦ The Offering †
- ♦ Great Entrance (p.57)
- ♦ The Creed (p.63) †
- ♦ The Anaphora (p.64) †
- ♦ The Lord's Prayer (p.75) †
- ♦ Communion Hymn (see opposite page)
- ♦ Communion of the Faithful †
- ♦ Litany of Thanksgiving (p.87)

SENDING to Serve

- ♦ Dismissal & Veneration of the Cross*
- ♦ This Week's Events (see opposite page)

† All stand.

* All are welcome to greet the priest and kiss the cross, if they choose, at the end of the service.

Note: page numbers correspond to black Divine Liturgy book, available in the Narthex.

Father Ignatius Hunter, Rector
Father David Smith, Associate Rector and
Priest-in-Charge, Chapel of the Holy Spirit

TODAY'S HYMNS

TROPARIA

Resurrection (Tone 2)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Forefathers (Tone 2)

Through faith You justified the Forefathers, betrothing through them the Church of the gentiles. These saints exult in glory, for from their seed came forth a glorious fruit: she who bore You without seed. So by their prayers, O Christ God, have mercy on us!

St. Herman

O blessed Father Herman of Alaska, North star of Christ's holy Church. The light of thy holy life and great deeds guideth those who follow the Orthodox way. Together we lift high the holy Cross which thou didst plant firmly in America. Let all behold and glorify Jesus Christ singing His Holy Resurrection.

KONTAKIA

Resurrection (Tone 2)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever. *Glory...*

Protodeacon Alexander Cadman, Director of
Ministries and Chaplain, OCF at Penn State
Deacon Mark Oleynik, Director of Christian Ed.

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

We are delighted to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services today. If this is your first time with us, please see our "Things to Know" on the back page. And if you have any questions, please ask one of our greeters!

TODAY'S HYMNS (continued)

KONTAKIA (continued)

St. Herman (Tone 3)

The eternal light of Christ our Savior guided you, blessed Father Herman, on your evangelical journey to America to proclaim the Gospel of peace. Now you stand before the throne of glory; intercede for your land and its people: Peace for the world and salvation for our souls! *Now and ever...*

Forefathers (Tone 6)

You did not worship the graven image, O thrice-blessed ones, but armed with the immaterial Essence of God, you were glorified in a trial by fire. From the midst of unbearable flames you called on God, crying: "Hasten, O compassionate One! Speedily come to our aid, for You art merciful and able to do as You will!"

PROKEIMENA

Forefathers (Tone 4)

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever!

St. Herman (Tone 7)

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the Highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. *Alleluia...*

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am
Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm
Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Confessions	4:00 PM
Vespers	6:00 PM
Confessions	Following

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

Choir Rehearsal	4:00 PM
Altar Society Church	4:00 PM
Decoration for Nativity	
Great Vespers	6:00 PM
Confessions	Following

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Sunday Before the Nativity

Third and Sixth Hours	9:40 AM
Divine Liturgy	10:00 AM
Nativity Narrative	11:45 AM
and Caroling at Parish Hall	
Vespers	6:00 PM

BIRTHDAYS

Karen Cattell (12/13), Daniel Hunter (12/15), Stacie Trent (12/15), Micah Patel (12/18). **Many Years!**

WISDOM FROM THE FAITH

"Let us be thankful not for our own blessings alone, but also for those of others; for in this way we shall be able both to destroy our envy, and to rivet our charity, and make it more genuine."
~ St. John Chrysostom

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