



Christ ^{the} Saviour Orthodox Church

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Our "Why" - To experience and share Christ's love so that everyone we encounter finds healing, purpose, and eternal life.

If it is possible, as much as depends on you,
live peaceably with all men. *Romans 12:18*

Sunday May 21, 2023

6th SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 5. Blind Man. Holy Equals-to-the-Apostles Emperor Constantine and his mother, Helen. St. Constantine & his children, Ss. Michael & Theodore, Wonderworkers of Múrom. Ven. Cassian the Greek, of Uglich.

Schedule: **Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy –9:30am;** End of Church School Celebration & Fellowship;

Readers: 3rd Hour: **Lydia Mantle w/Zoe Vernak •**

6th Hour: **Angie DiFlorio w/Cassandra Zart**

Epistle: **John Constantine •** Post-Communion: **Mary White**

Welcome to our Visitors!

Interested in learning more? Please visit our parish website and email our priest, **Fr. Stephen Vernak**

Hymns & Readings

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone V — Let us, the faithful, praise, and worship, the Word, co-eternal with the Father, and the Spirit, born, for our salvation, from the Virgin: for He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion, Tone VIII — Beholding the image of Thy cross in the sky, and, like Paul, receiving a call not from men, Thine apostle among rulers, O Lord, placed the imperial city in Thine hands: which preserve, ever, in peace, at the prayers of the Theotokos, O only lover-of-mankind.

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

Kontakion, Tone III — Today, Constantine, and his mother Helen, reveal the precious cross, the weapon of the faithful against their enemies: for our sakes, it hath been shewn to be a great sign, and fearsome in battle.

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

Kontakion, Tone IV — I come to Thee, O Christ, blind, from birth, in my spiritual eyes, and call to Thee in repentance: 'Thou art the most-radiant light of them in darkness'.

Prokeimenon & Readings:

Tone VII: Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God!

V. In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Tone VIII: Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, / and their words to the ends of the universe. *(Sts. Constantine and Helen)*

Epistle: *(Acts 16:16-34)* in those days, it happened, as we went to pray-er, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to the authorities. And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, "These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe." Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods. And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm,

for we are all here.” Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized. Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

Alleluia Verses

Look upon me and have mercy on me!

Guide my steps according to Thy word!

I have exalted one chosen out of My people.

Gospel: (John 9:1-38) *At that time,* Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, “Is not this he who sat and begged?” Some said, “This is he.” Others said, “He is like him.” He said, “I am *he*.” Therefore they said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He answered and said, “A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed, and I received sight.” Then they said to him, “Where is He?” He said, “I do not know.” They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” Therefore some of the Pharisees said, “This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath.” Others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them. They said to the blind man again, “What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.” But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered them and said, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself.” His parents said these *things* because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed *that* He *was* Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.” So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, “Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner.” He answered and said,

"Whether He is a sinner *or not* I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see." Then they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear *it* again? Do you also want to become His disciples?" Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke to Moses; *as for this fellow*, we do not know where He is from." The man answered and said to them, "Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered and said to him, "You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you." Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

Upcoming Services & Events

May 22, Mon: Men's Club Meeting—7pm

May 23, Tue: *Leave-taking of Pascha Vigil –7pm @ Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, Lancaster; OCCGH Board Meeting – 7pm (Mechanicsburg)*

May 24, Wed: Bible Study (Zoom) -noon; **Vespers –6:30pm;** Confession & Choir Rehearsal

May 25, Thu: **ASCENSION. Divine Liturgy – 9:30am;** Pot luck

May 26, Fri: Choir Workshop – 6pm

May 27, Sat: Choir Workshop – 9am; **Vespers – 5pm;** Confession

May 28, Sun: **Father's of the 1st Ecumenical Council. Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy –9:30am;** Fellowship; Youth Group –1:30pm; Grad info DUE!

Readers: 3rd Hour: **Arun Gopinath** • 6th Hour: **Michelle Gopinath w/Meera**

Epistle: **TBD** • *Post-Communion:* **Jennifer Lewis**

Parish News

Notes from the Parish Council: **May Donation** - \$250 to Orthodox Youth and Young Adult Ministry (OYM); **Ongoing Donations** - \$75 to Ancient Faith Radio, \$150 to missionaries Jesse and Juanita Brandow, \$50 to Orthodox Christian Mission Center's Support a Mission Priest program; **Updates** - Lower parking lot was resealed/restriped; Financial review completed and recommendations will be implemented; received a thank-you from the Gettysburg Orthodox Mission for portable icon stands.

Church School Celebration: Will be held today in the downstairs/back yard of the church hall. Come enjoy food, fun activities & fellowship!

Calling All Graduates: **Sun, June 11** we will hold our annual *Graduate Recognition*. Please submit a jpeg photo, a brief bio on the school you graduated from, & future plans to office@ctshbg.org no later than **Sun, May 28**.

Coffee Team Ministry: Is looking for volunteers to join the team of making coffee & setting up the hall for Fellowship usually once a month or less. Training is provided before you go solo. Contact Joanne Wevodau if you want to join this team!

Annual Pentecost & Parish International Day: Will be held on **Sun, June 4** on the feast of **Pentecost**, *following Liturgy & the Kneeling Vespers*, we will be celebrating the food & ethnicity of our diverse parish family. Please see the sign up sheet in the vestibule. Any questions, see **Angie DiFlorio** by **Wed, May 31**.

Baby Bottle Blast: To support the ministry of the CAPC will take place from **Mothers Day thru Fathers Day**. Fill your bottle with check, cash or change & return to the church by June 18th.

Pierogi Making: First pierogi making for the Food Fest will be held on **Sat, June 10** w/scooping of the cheese balls **@8am** & pinching **@8:30am**. *All are welcome & on-site training if provided!*

OCCGH Golf Tournament: **Sat, July 8** with registration at 7:30am. 4 person Scramble Play is \$300 per team. All golfers need to pre-register by July 6. Questions or if you would like to be a sponsor, contact Carl Hisiro

Dutch Apple Guys & Dolls: The "O" Club is planning the outing on **Sun, Aug 20th**. Please see the sign-up sheet w/prices on the bulletin board in the hall.

SAVE the DATE: **60th anniversary celebration** will be held on Sat, Oct 28.

Fellowship Hours: All parishioners are asked to host a week by providing such items as soup, fresh fruit, veggies, cheese, baked items, etc. & coordinate with the other families to decide on the menu. *Plan on approximately 100 parishioners*. Please follow email reminders for any updates to the schedule, & contact Christine with any questions. *Please refer to emails for the up to date schedule.*

May 21:	Hisiro, McMahon, Murariu, & Rieck families
May 28:	Rakowsk, C. Klipa, C. Klipa, & N. Klipa families
June 4:	Pentecost/International Day

Parish Prayer List

Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: **Grace Baker** (friend of Nora Lubecki) – May 4 [6/12]; **Irene Speake** (sister of Paul Hadginske) - April 27 [6/5]; **Taras Bodnarczuk** (friend of V & M Bucharew) - April 27 [6/5]; **Vera Sweda Wasacz** (aunt of M. Myra) - April 21 [5/30]; **William Butka, Jr.** (uncle of Bob Drozd) – April 15 [5/24]; **Lisa Heminway** (cousin of Alice Mallick) – April 11 [5/20];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: **Boris Atzeff**, cousin of Eli Mioff, May 21 – 5th; **Met. CONSTANTINE**, May 21- 11th; **Helen Petak**, Michael's mother, May 22 – 15th; **Michael Kuchwara**, Kathy's cousin, May 22 – 13th; **Christine Demchak**, Suzanne's sister, May 22 – 11th; **Mary Kantor**, mother of Deborah McGinnes, May 24 – 18th; **Eli Hancher**, +Ron's brother, May 24 – 15th; **Maria Yakushenok**, grandmother of Marina Cameron, May 25 – 43rd; **Bertha Brill**, grandmother of Elizabeth Bare, May 25 – 7th; **Phylis Hershey**, Tim

McMahon's mother-in-law, May 26 – 3rd; **J. Milton Shuler**, grandfather of Peter Taleff, May 26 – 58th;

AILING: PARISHIONERS: **Larry Lewis**; **Millicent Russell**; **FAMILY/FRIENDS:** **Edward** (Fr. Timothy Hojnicky's father); **Helen** (friend of M. Osuch and C. Kemp); **May** (cousin of E. Saraff); **Carl & Lois** (brother & friend of S. Demchak); **Isabella**; **Irene** (sister of P. Hadginske); **Tanya** (niece of K. Kuchwara); **Christine Perrin**; **Melanie & Alex** (friend & uncle of C. Yerke); **Melvin, Cathy** (D. Martins brother & niece); **Alexandra, Charles, Tamara** (B. Kuchta's family); **Daniel** (brother of C. Neumann); **Roger** (friend of C. Kemp & B. Cain); **Bp. Matthias Moriak**; **Adley** (child of N. Somple's friend); **Maggie & Dick** (friends of the Klipa's); **Aiden** (nephew of S. Hanna); **Robin** (son-in-law of E. Files); **Fred** (cousin of the Kormushoff's); **Jerry "David" & Dennie** (friend & stepson of B. Keener); **Maria** (friend of the Cain's); **Grace** (D. Fedetz sister-in-law); **Tom** (friend of D. Bupp & Kushlans); **M. Olga Klembara** (Larissa & Anita's aunt); **Carolyn** (friend of C. Kemp); **Charles, Sophia, & Ana** (family & friends of C. Dardaris); **Joan, Kim, & Gary** (friends of the J. & A. Cole); **Daria** (friend of the Dotsey & Klipa families); **Hannes & Anne** (family of R. Rieck); **Andrea** (I. Arahavos's mother); **Elaine** (sister of S. Africa); **Pastor Charles, Mary, Peter, & Edwin**, (family & friends of the Leer's); **Terry, Anu, Steve, & Barry** (Hisiro family & friends); **Elle** (friend of J. McGreevy); **John** (brother of J. Krut); **Pam, Dan & Nina** (friends of D. Bupp); **Colton & Gary** (cousins of Donna Bretz); **Alexsya & Cassie** (family & friend of E. Herman); **Igumen David (Lewis)**; **Neal** (D. Pawlush's brother); **James** (brother of M. Koviloff); **Grace, Karen, Lois, & Rich** (J. Mamay's sisters & friends); **Joan Therese & Dori** (mother & niece of N. Lubecki & J. Lewis); **Lynn** (Himes daughter-in-law); **Kristin & Abe** (family & friend of Dn. Peter); **Shirley** (L. Pawlush's mother); **Sandy, Hailey, & Kelly** (friends of DiFlorio's); **child Joshua**; **M. Lisa Weremedic** (wife of Fr. James); **Janice & Emil** (J. Zuro & G. Leer's aunt & uncle); **child Fynn**; **Kay, Richard, & Anya** (aunt & friends of K. Leader); **Patty** (friend of K. Pankiw); **Mitchel** (Jean Dotsey's nephew); **Linda** (M. Sharon's mother); **Ap. Michael & M. Valeria Hatrak**; **Jacob** (brother of Pat Drebot); **Connie, Charlie, & Shirley** (family & friends of Mallick's); **Wendy** (M. Deamer's mother); **Kim & Mona** (sisters of Ab. Mark); **Mary** (mother of S. Kelachow); **Mary & Nicholas** (family & friends of the Kuchta's); **Victoria, Erin & David** (friends of L. Smith); **Flora** (T. Gault's mother); **Vera** (Ressetar's family); **Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred** (Osuch family); **Mike, Jessica's & their families**; **Jonathan, Paul, Adam, Bev, Alynda, Tina, Mark, Jenny, Marilyn, Alicia, Shelby, & Jim** (family & friends of the Kushlans); **Seraphima** (friend of J. Barns); **James, his father, Thelma, Shari, Darrell, Justo, Alexa, Thomas, Leida, Jesus, Marsha, Alexander, Anastasia, John, Brian, Timothy, Jessica, Saulo, Theodore, & Tanya**, (Lopez friends & family);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Those suffering from natural disasters. All victims of Sickness, Terror, War, Violence, Racism, Injustice & Civil Strife; **Metro-politan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo** held hostage by Syrian Terrorists, for the suffering people of Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ukraine, Haiti & Afghanistan, especially our citizens & soldiers who are in harms way; **PARISHIONERS:** **Ella Zuro**; **Eli Mioff**; **Ann & Gerald Cole**; **M. Theodora Ressetar**; **Beth Lenker**; **Christina Klipa**; **Nadine Klipa**; **Charlene Dardaris**; **Johnna**; **Terry Drebot**; **Patricia Drebot**; **Lazarus (Manny) & Samantha Lopez**; **Frank Bifano**; **Gail (Brigit)**; **Mary Ellen Osuch**; **Glenn & Natalie Treece**; **Suzanne**

Demchak; Evan M.; Tony Onufer; Ita (Stephanie) Snyder; John "Jack" Sweikert; Joseph Sembrot; Birikit & Hannah Zerat; Jeanne Zane; Teklu & Pazon Ogbamichael; Katherine Kudelko; M. Ap. Daniel & M. Myra Kovalak; Joseph (Moe) & Ruth Mazurek; Lazarus (Jonathan) Dunnavent; Kathryn Kellachow; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES**: Rita; Nicholas Demopoulos; Millicent Russell; **EXPECTANT MOTHER(S)**: Amelia Demopoulos; Taylor; Danielle Zuro; Sarah Cruz; Myrenie Cruz; Natalie Kennedy; Lisa Fedetz, *and the children to be born of them*; Jessica Priestley *and the child born of her*; **ECM Cohort**: Emmanuel Maginas (coach) Jaclynn Choma, Symeon Jekel, Sophia Kellachow, Lydia Mantle & Fr. Stephen Vernak; **COLLEGE STUDENTS**: Tseday Afrassa; Semhar Anghesom, Eden Araya, David, Grace & Evelyn Firestine; Jacob Herman; Shawn Jacob; Rdr. Vladimir Kellachow; Megan Kenny; Flimon Kesete; Salina Kidane; Matthew Mikita; Zachary Matthews; Molly Pylp-ciw; Rachel Reba; John Romain; Ashley; Dave; Peter; Wessam; Jessica Williams **MILITARY**: Alexander; Valery; Conrad; Shawn; Benjamin; Rdr. Vladimir; Abel; Jacob; Gabriel; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Sean; Ian, Zachary; Josiah; Owen **FAMILY & FRIENDS**: Terry (friend of J. Mamay); Christine (sister in law of the DiFlorio's); Steve G. (friend of J. McGreevy); Jaden (Yerke family); Brittani; Stacy & Mia (B. Keener's friends); Vera, Stan, Joe & Kandi (family & friends of Libby); Tony (K. Hertzler's husband); Ronald; Una; Amy (co-worker of B. Kuchta); Shawn (friend of Dn. Peter); Jean & Robert (aunt & friend of Rdr. Leo); Anne (sister-in-law of R. Rieck); Mitchell, Deborah, Michael, Emily, Ezra (S. Kellachow's family); George, Matthew, Ed & George (family & friend of J. Mamay); Kalei (family of K. Leader); Vicki, Ken, Ron, & Scott (friends of the Pankiw's); Jeanette, Scott, Helen, Ethan, Mitch, Rob, Jody, Jackie, & Bruce, (family & friends of the Mallick's); Pastora, Kyle, Steve, & Scott, (friends of the Lenker's); M. Natasha Lazor, Cindy, & Linda, (friends of M. Myra); Rosalie; David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Ryan, Stacey, Bryan, Curt, Thomas, Andrew, Priest Demetrius Nicoloudakis, Megan, Jacob & family, Georgia, Maria, Blake, Keisha, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Kyle, Martha, Emma, Nicholas, Jack, Samuel, Christian, Theodore, Steve, John, Alexandra, Juan, Isaac, Daniel, Judy, Luke, Johnny, Leticia, Jim, Paul, Samuel, Faye, Jon, child Landon (family/friends of the Lopez's); Dorothy, Shirley & family, Nathan; Jeff, Greg, & William (family & friends of J. Barns); **MISSIONARIES**: Jesse & Juanita Brandow (Guatemala); **SEMINARIANS**: (St. Tikhon's) Fr. Nathan & M. Katharine Clausen - *Micaiah, Evangeline, Gideon, Zacharias, Ignatius, & Basil*; (St. Vladimir's) Fr. John & M. Alexandra Black Evyn, Lydia, Joshua, & Noah **CATECHUMEN(S)**: John Romain; Joseph Middelkoop; Henry Laskowski; Vincent, Natalie, & Annika Kennedy; Gregory Spear; Mariana Cruz; Owen & Jessica Williams

Many Years!

Please submit names and dates to office "at" ctshbg.org

Adoption Anniversary Elizabeth "Bella" Kellachow - May 24

Anniversaries: Olga & Frederick Womer – May 21; Daniel & Pauline Guiseppe – May 24; Mark & Christina Yerke – May 25; Carl & Debbie Hisiro - May 26; Matt & Natalia Seewald - May 27;

Birthdays: Jay Africa – May 21; Mary Ellen Osuch – May 22; Dana Kenny – May 22; Adriana Murphy - May 23; Bahlibi Kebede – May 24; Rachel Dupkanick – May 26; Jamie Schware – May 26; Gregory Howanetz – May 27;

Candle Offering

To donate, please see a vestryperson

7 Day Votive is offered in Memory of **Christine, George, & Eugene**, siblings of Suzanne Demchak

April Stewardship Summary

Month

Year

Tithe Income

\$ 41,410.28

\$ 158,109.20

Operating Expenses,
excluding Fundraising

\$ 55,426.44

\$ 173,573.59

Net Stewardship Surplus/(Shortfall)

\$ (14,016.16)

\$ (15,464.39)

Tithe Income as a % of
Operating Expenses

75%

91%

If it is possible, as much as depends on you,
live peaceably with all men. *Romans 12:18*