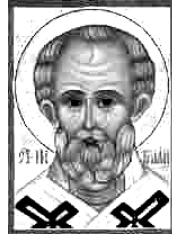


July 4, 2010

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### Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Christ is in our midst! He is and always shall be!

### Schedule of Services and Activities

**No Saturday Great Vespers in the month of July**  
**Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 AM**

**Divine Liturgy**

**Welcome** to those who are visiting with us today! If you would like more information about the Orthodox faith or would like to speak with the priest, please let our ushers know. We invite you to fill out a visitor card and drop it into the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for coffee hour after the service!

**We welcome Fr Evgeni and Matushka Silviya Peykov** to our parish today. Fr Evgeni is leading the Divine Liturgy for Fr Thomas who is on vacation with his family this week. May God grant Fr Evgeni and Matushka Silviya many years!

**We are in need** of coffee hour sponsors this Summer! Please see Melissa Graff if you can help!

**There will be no Saturday evening Vespers** served during the month of July.

**Congratulations to Luke and Dr Ashley Loboda** on the birth of their new son, Jonah David. Jonah was born on Wednesday evening and weighed in at 8 pounds 2 ounces. Big brother Noah is very excited! May God grant the Loboda family many years!

**Our condolences** are extended to the Kowalcheck family on the loss of John Kowalcheck's father, John, who fell asleep in the Lord early Thursday morning. May God grant the departed servant, John, rest eternal, and comfort to those who grieve.

**Orthodoxy Day at PNC Park!** Watch the Pirates play the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:05 PM. Deadline to order tickets (\$22.00) is July 5<sup>th</sup> – a \$10 late fee will apply

for any late orders. Contact Dr John Shultz at 304-748-1223 or [jpswv@comcast.net](mailto:jpswv@comcast.net). Sponsored by the Pittsburgh District FOCA and the Archdiocesan Youth Committee.

**The Archdiocesan Youth** are invited to an all-nighter at the Carnegie Science Center from Friday night, September 3<sup>rd</sup> to Saturday morning, September 4<sup>th</sup>. (Ages 10-17 will be provided chaperones. Under 10 must be accompanied by parent or designated guardian.) Includes Omnimax movie, laster show, planetarium, submarine tour, Sports Works, an evening snack and continental breakfast. Reservation deadline is August 16<sup>th</sup>. Make checks payable to "84<sup>th</sup> National FOCA Convention." Contact Helene Emerick at 724-941-4293 for more information.

**Looking ahead:** Our parish picnic will be held at Robinson Park on Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. We are seeking leaders to help chair various aspects of the picnic. Please see Michelle Bittner if you can help, as soon as possible!

**Thank you to our July donors!** **Holy Bread** (\$50) from the Eckert family for the health of parents Deb and Phil Sauger and Kelly and Terry Eckert. **Communion Wine** (\$40) from John Shaytar in memory of Ester Lugin Tylavsky and Carol Lugin. **Altar Candles** (\$25) from Michelle Bittner in memory of parents Michael and Helen. **Incense** (\$10) from Michelle Bittner in memory of Anne Hruch and Thelma Hruch.

**Vigil Light Donations** (*Please remember the following people in your prayers*) **From Helen Cobb** for the departed servants, George, Ray Cobb, Fr. Vladimir & Mat. Olga, Darius Walat; for the health of Ruth, Vic, Todd, Aleisha, Dick, Jared, Helen March Shancey, Stephanie Kowal, the Tichy, Fuller, Kasnot, Speth, Wasilko, Barsom, Soroka and Mell families. **From Doris M. Wasilko** for the departed servants, (parents) Charles & Mary; for the health of the Wasilko family and Carol Kowalcheck. **From Charles A. Wasilko** for the health of Carol Kowalcheck; God Bless America. **From Marsha Wasilko** God Bless America! **From John & Nancy Pravlochak** for the health of Gina, Michael, John, Rhonda, Karen, Julia and Alex. **From Raisa Burd** for the departed servant, Agrippina; for the health of Marina, Yevgeniy, Alexandra, Tatyana, Ludmila, Valentina, Drana, Ludmila, Roman, Polina all our relatives & friends. **From John & Carol Kowalcheck** for the health and salvation of our family; for son, Peter, on his Name's Day, June 29<sup>th</sup>! **From Carol Kowalcheck** in thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for all. **From John Kowalcheck** for the health of Carol Ann Kowalcheck and (father) John Kowalcheck. **From Tom Robes** for the departed servants, George & Johanna Porvaznik and Victor Robes; for the health of Granny, GeorgiAnn, Tom, Rachel, Anna, Nick, Teresa, Rob and Tom Robes Jr. **From Marina Petrov** for the health of Raisa, Yevgeniy, Alexandra and Tatyana. **From the Yakovacs** for the departed servants, George Lychkoff, Diane Waryanka and Carole Lugin; for the health of Auntie, Joel, Justin, Eric, Maggie and Ruthie; special intentions.

*This bulletin is offered by Alex and Olga Noskov in memory of mother, Zoe, and brother, Alexiy.*

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## Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

### Tone 5

#### *Troparion of the Resurrection*

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.

### Tone 5

#### *Kontakion of the Resurrection*

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior,  
shattering its gates as almighty,  
resurrecting the dead as Creator  
and destroying the sting of death.  
Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man  
and we all cry to Thee, O Lord, save us!

### Tone 6

#### *Kontakion of the Theotokos*

Steadfast protectress of Christians,  
constant advocate before the creator,  
do not despise the cry of us sinners,  
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith.  
Hasten to hear our intercessions and to intercede for us, O Theotokos  
For you always protect those who honor you.

### Tone 5

#### *Prokeimenon (Psalm 12)*

Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

### Epistle (Rom 12:6-14)

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

### Gospel (Matthew 9:1-8)

So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city. Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you."

And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes!"

But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." And he arose and departed to his house.

Now when the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men.

### Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!

*While Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians  
who prepare themselves by prayer and fasting,  
non-Orthodox visitors are welcome to come forward to venerate the cross  
and receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the conclusion of the service.*

*Please join us downstairs for coffee hour following the Divine Liturgy.*