



Holy Trinity St. John the Theologian



Fr. Mike Downs

April 5th, 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Palm Sunday Luncheon 5:30 p.m. Bridegroom Service	6 5:30 p.m. Bridegroom Service 	7 5:30 p.m. Bridegroom Service 	8 5:30 p.m. Unction 	9 10 a.m. Vespers Liturgy 5:30 p.m. 12 Gospels Service	10 9 am Royal Hours 2 pm Descent from Cross 6 pm Lamentations	11 10 a.m. Vespers Liturgy 11:00 p.m. Paschal Vigil
12 12 a.m. Great and Holy Pascha 2 p.m. Agape Vespers	13	14	15	16 4:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study	17	18

Strict Fast Fish Allowed Dairy Allowed Wine and Oil Allowed

Welcome Visitors

We extend a warm welcome to visitors worshipping with us today. We would like to remind you that Holy Eucharist is reserved for those who have been baptized or chrismated in the Orthodox Church and have prepared themselves to receive the Eucharist. All visitors are welcome to receive the blessed bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

Prayer List

Please keep the following individuals in your daily prayers: Dora, Anna, Matt, John, Joey, Anastasia, Despene, Emmanuel, Georgios, Vasilios, Rachel, Hannah, Evelyn, Delbert, Peter, Chuck, Martha Ann, Will, Lynn, Regina, Nan, Liddell, Thomas, Lori, Larry, Andrew, and Linda.

To add names to our community prayer list for 40 days of prayer, submit them to frmike@holytrinityjackson.org or call the church office.

Weekly Collections

Below are the General Fund collections for last week:

3/23 - 3/29 = \$1,525.50.

Parish Council Leads/ Greeters

The parish council leads serving as greeters for this Sunday are Kari East and Michael Fowler.

Extra Services

On Sunday, April 5th at 5:30 p.m. we will have the first Bridegroom Service.

On Monday, April 6th at 5:30 p.m. we will have a Bridegroom Service.

On Tuesday, April 7th at 5:30 p.m. we will have a Bridegroom Service.

On Wednesday, April 8th at 5:30 p.m. we will have the Unction Service.

On Thursday, April 9th at 10 a.m. we will have a Vespereal Liturgy, and at 5:30 p.m. we will have the 12 Gospels Service.

On Friday, April 10th at 9 a.m. we will have Royal Hours, at 2 p.m. we will have the Descent from the Cross service, and at 6 p.m. we will have Lamentations.

On Saturday, April 11th at 10 a.m. we will have a Vespereal Liturgy (Proti Anastasi), and at 11:00 p.m. the Paschal Vigil will begin.

On Sunday, April 12th at 12:00 a.m. the Paschal Service will begin. At 2:00 p.m. we will have Agape Vespers.

Lazarus Saturday



On Saturday, April 4th following the Divine Liturgy, we will have the Pancake Breakfast and folding of palm crosses. We will hope to see everyone there as we prepare for Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week.

Hope and Joy

On Saturday, April 4th after the Divine Liturgy we will have Hope and Joy. We will talk to the children about about service to others as they eat their pancakes and fold palm crosses.



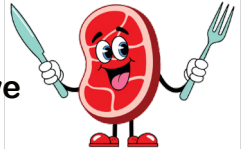
New Cross Installed

As many of you had noticed, the cross on Pear Orchard was beginning to show its age. We now have a new cross installed and adorned with purple for the Lenten season. Thank you to Michael Fowler and Jonathan Hontzas for putting in this pulchritudinous addition to our property.



Agape Vespers and Picnic

At 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 12th (Pascha) we will have Agape Vespers. Immediately following the service we will have our Pascha Picnic with food and activities for the children. We hope that everyone will be able to join us for this time of fellowship and invite friends and family to come as well.



Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 1.

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord."

Another. Mode 4.

We were buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, and thus by Your Resurrection we have been granted immortal life, and extolling You we cry aloud, "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One who comes in the name of the Lord."

Kontakion Mode Pl. 2.

In heaven upon the throne, on earth upon the colt, * You were carried, O Christ our God; * and the praise of the Angels, and the hymns of the children, You received as they cried to You, * "Blessed are You, the One, who is coming to call Adam back again."

St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

BRETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

The Gospel According to John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.