

St. Basil the Great Orthodox Church



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Welcome visitors! If you are visiting with us for the first time, we greet you in the Holy Name of Christ, our Saviour, and hope you will join us in fellowship after worship. We are genuinely pleased to have you with us today. We must remind you that while the Orthodox Church prays for the unity of all, only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves with prayer, fasting, and regular confession should approach the chalice.

For questions, please contact Fr. James Purdie. Blessings.

Hymns



RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (Tone 5)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word;
coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the
Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in
ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to
raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF THE FOREFEAST OF THEOPHANY (Tone 4)

Be thou ready, Zabulon; prepare thyself, O
Nephthalim. River Jordan, stay thy course and skip for
gladness to receive the Sovereign Master, Who cometh
now to be baptized. O Adam, be thou glad with our
first mother, Eve; hide not as ye did of old in Paradise.
Seeing you naked, He hath appeared now to clothe you
in the first robe again. Christ hath appeared, for He
truly willeth to renew all creation.

Hymns



APOLYTIKION OF ST. BASIL (Tone 1)

In all the earth that received thy sayings, thy melody did resound O righteous father, through which thou didst go about and proclaim as worthy of God the nature of creatures, cultivating the character of mankind, O thou of kingly priesthood Basil, wherefore plead thou with Christ God to save our souls.

KONTAKION OF THE FOREFEAST OF THEOPHANY (Tone 4)

In the running waters of the Jordan River, on this day the Lord of all crieth to John: Be not afraid and hesitate not to baptize Me, for I am come to save Adam, the first-formed man.

The Epistle



*O Lord, save Thy people
and bless Thine inheritance.
Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord my God.*

The Reading from St. Paul's Second Epistle to Timothy. (4:5-8)

Timothy, my son, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved His appearing.

The Gospel



The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (1:1-8)

The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, “Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” John the Baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, “After me comes He Who is mightier than I, the strap of Whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Irine	John	Fawn
Maria	Nichole + family	John
Ana	Brenda + family	Peter
John	Simerick family	Sam
Axenia	Katerina	Rick
Vasilii	Nikolai	Dave
Hilarion	Ksenia	Gene & Aieda
Irina	David	Athena & Justice
Anton + family	Christina	Jared
Stephen	Jan	Whelan Family
Nicholas	Vladimir	Joanne
Mariann	Elizabeth	Don
Nathaniel	Elias Family	Schaffer Family
George + Family	Switzer Family	Saur Family
Maria	Kylie	Ekaterina
Sidor family	Sophia	Angelina
Yana	Genesis	Igor
Nina	John & Oxana	Alexander
Mark	Scott & Janet	Mark
Tatiana + family	Kristin & Family	Alexander
Maia + family	Anna & Child	Bob
Tamar	Anastasia & Child	Robert
Mirela + family	Charlie & Anastasia	Edens Family
Gregory	Dn. Christopher & Family	Temple Family

Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Saur Family

Bob

Michelle

Sarna

Maggie

Caitlyn

Daniel

Stanislav

Alexandra

Jesse

Paul

Bailey & Child

Ross Family

Randy

Rick

Jaremy

Kristen

Celeste

Bowman Family

Maiya

Dan

Mackenzie

Ben

Dawn

Haylee

Joseph

Nicholas

John

Smith Family

Brown Family

Newell Family

Offerings



Prayers of Loving Memory are Offered for:

Fr. John	John	Alexander	Lena
Fr. Milan	Fr. Ayoub	Nun Thekla	Gerhard
Tatiana	Kh. Deebie	Nun Nektaria	Mary
Sergei	Dominic	Roman	Roger
Ion	Peter	Evdokia	Kelly
Maria	Adele	Ephimia	Arvin
Agrepina	Caitlyn	Ephim	
Ion	Mindy	Michael	
Maria	Hillary	Alexey	
Nadejda	Radovanka	Alexander	
Maria	William	Alexandra	
Maria	Dragitza	Yuri	
George	Steven	Boris	
Ana	Velinka	Valentin	
Michael	John	Valentina	
George	John	Vladimir	
Ana	Connie	Zinaida	
John	Loretta	Elena	
Thomas	Joan	Evdokia	
Joseph	Lazar	Mike	
John	Arch. Ilya	Bob	
Pete	Lydia	Bill	
Nella	Victor	-----	
Kathrine	Tatyana	Marcie	

Prayers for St. Basil's



First Prayer

O Lord, Jesus Christ, our God who in the multitude of Thy goodness and love hast chosen Hampton Roads, to sow a spiritual garden and called us, Thy children, to be its stewards. Grant us, O Master, the wisdom, strength, and resources to accomplish this task, discerning Thy will for this community. Guide our flock in oneness of mind. Grant bodily health and spiritual salvation unto all who support this ministry and bless them with Thy good things. In flame our hearts with love for Thee and the lost souls of America. For unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thine unoriginate Father and Thine All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Second Prayer

O Lord, Jesus Christ our God, Cornerstone of Thy Holy Church, Giver of every good gift, who despite our being bound by the desires and pleasures of the flesh, hast gathered us in this Holy Church, protected by St. Basil and Thy most Holy Mother, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary. Grant that we may be the good soil that brings forth the spiritual fruit necessary for the nourishment of all who seek Thy salvation, in accordance with Thy will, through the study of the holy scriptures; the reading of the lives and sayings of the saints; the attendance of the sacred services; the participation in Thy holy mysteries; living a life of prayer in word and deed; Worshiping the Father, in Spirit and in Truth. For unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thine unoriginate Father and Thine All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Events



January 4

Diaper Sprinkle for Kati Henson & Chloe Houston
Parish Council, 12:45 pm

January 10

Divine Liturgy at Chesapeake Mission, 10:00 am

January 11

Baptisms

January 18

Antiochian Women's Meeting, 12:45 pm

February 7

Spaghetti dinner for Building Fund, 5:30-7:30 pm

Church Directory



If your email address is not listed in the parish directory, please contact Jess Newell at orthodoxhampton@gmail.com.

Create an account or log in at:

<https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/>

Once you enter your email address, follow the directions to complete the log-in process and update your contact information, photograph, and ministry participation.

Thank you.