

St. Basil the Great Orthodox Church



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His Eminence
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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



THE FIRST ANTIPHON

My heart hath poured forth a good word; I speak of my works to the king. My tongue is the pen of a swiftly writing scribe.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. Grace is poured into thy lips: therefore, God hath blessed thee forever. Glory... Both now...

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O mighty One, in Thy comeliness and Thy beauty. Bend Thy bow, and proceed prosperously, and be king. Save us, O Son of God, Who wast borne in the arms of righteous Simeon, who sing to Thee:

Alleluia. Thine arrows are sharp, O mighty One, in the heart of the king's enemies; whereby the peoples fall under Thee. A scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Thy kingdom. Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house. Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy countenance. I shall commemorate thy name in every generation.

Hymns



RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (Tone 2)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hades with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST (Tone 1)

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace, for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God, lighting those who are in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder, carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls, Who granteth us Resurrection.

Hymns



APOLYTIKION OF ST. BASIL (Tone I)

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 PRESENTATION OF CHRIST (Tone I)

Thou Who didst sanctify the Virgin's womb by Thy birth, and didst bless Simeon's hands as was meet, by anticipation hast even now saved us, O Christ God. But grant peace in the midst of wars unto Thy commonwealth and strengthen the hierarchs whom Thou hast loved, O only Friend of man.

The Epistle



The Lord is my strength and my song.

The Lord has chastened me severely.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:12-20)

Brethren, all things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be enslaved by anything. Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food; but God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

The Gospel



The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (15:11-32)

The Lord spoke this parable: “There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.’ And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.”’ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

The Gospel



But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Irine	John	Whelan Family
Maria	Nichole + family	Joanne
Ana	Brenda + family	Ana
John	Simerick family	Don
Axenia	Katerina	Renata
Vasilii	Nikolai	Alexander
Hilarion	Ksenia	Vukosava
Irina	David	Charlie & Anastasia
Anton + family	Christina	John
Stephen	Jan	Dave
Nicholas	Vladimir	Fawn
Mariann	Elizabeth	Peter
Nathaniel	Hassana	Samuel
George + Family	Natalia	Julie Ann
Maria	Julie	Rick
Sidor family	Kaylla	Schaffer Family
Yana	Katrina	Saur Family
Nina	Joanna	Ekaterina
Mark	Zoya	Angelina
Tatiana + family	Diana	Igor
Maia + family	Aiden	Alexander
Tamar	Genesis	Mark
Mirela + family	Sophia	Alexander
Gregory	Switzer Family	Widrick Family

Offerings



Prayers of Health and Safety are Offered for:

Fegarsky Family

Emry Family

John & Oxana

Alexandra

Greg

Elizabeth

Chalsma Family

Riske Family

Eliza & Evan

Timothy & Kimberly

Brian & Nurai

Caleb

Julian

Angela & Children

Sarah & Jim

Edens Family

Saba Family

Evelyn

Ashley

Rene

Dan

Ryan

Courtney

Aurora

Declan

Brynlee

Emily

Thomas

Allie

Harper

Ross Family

Randy

Rick

Garcia Family

Diontrae & Family

Isabel

Benjamin

Joshua

Zack

Jade

Alora

Ryan & Tina

Blizzard Family

Offerings



Prayers of Loving Memory are Offered for:

Fr. John	Jane	Nun Nektaria	Jesse
Fr. Milan	Radovanka	Roman	John
Tatiana	William	Fr. Ayoub	Mark
Sergei	Steven	Kh. Deebie	Gwen
Ion	Dragitza	Evdokia	Paul
Maria	Velinka	Ephimia	James
Agrepina	Goran	Ephim	Jeremiah
Ion	John	Michael	Beatrice & Dwight
Maria	Lazar	Alexey	Antonia
Nadejda	John	Alexander	-----
Maria	Connie	Alexandra	Gabby
Maria	Joan	Yuri	Patricia
George	Loretta	Boris	Pheobe
Ana	Peter	Valentin	Marcie
Michael	Adele	Valentina	Lena
George	Hillary	Vladimir	Gerhard
Ana	Caitlyn	Zinaida	Mary
John	Mindy	Elena	Roger
Thomas	Arch. Ilya	Evdokia	Kelly
Joseph	Lydia	Grant	
John	Victor	Ashley	
Pete	Tatyana	Shirley	
Nella	Alexander	Mildred	
Kathrine	Nun Thekla	Tom	

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. Inflame 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.

The background of the entire image is a photograph of numerous lit candles in ornate holders, likely within a church. The candles are tall and thin, with bright yellow flames. The lighting is warm and somewhat dim, creating a solemn and reverent atmosphere. The text is overlaid on this background.

Prayer for Missions

Please pray for the
establishment of the
church in Chesapeake
and its growth in
Palestine, Lebanon
and Syria.

Events



February 7

Spaghetti Dinner to Benefit Building Fund

5:30-7:30 pm

February 9

Community Screening, *Moses the Black*

VIP Theatre Hampton, 7:00 pm

February 15

Antiochian Women's Group, 12:45 pm

Church Directory



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Create an account or log in at:

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Thank you.