

## Announcements

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors.** We are delighted to have you join us at our service as we worship the Holy Trinity! Please introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Kirill or reach out by e-mail or telephone.
- **Baptism.** Yesterday we prayerfully celebrated the baptism of Vance Thomas Wall, son of Mariana Gantus Wall and Douglas Vance Wall. As *many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia!*
- **Bookstore.** Our bookstore downstairs is well stocked! Curl up with a good book or give one as a gift. We will be open immediately after Sunday Liturgy and can easily open on request.
- **Annual Advent Retreat Next Saturday, December 3.** A “last call” for our annual Nativity Fast retreat on Saturday, December 3. I will be joined by two pastors, Fr. Andreas Blom (Ashland, OR) and Fr. Gregory Matlak Fremont, CA) in discussing the theme “Behold, I make all things new!” See the separate flier for full information; please pre-register today so we can make plans: [tithely.com/event-registration/#/6291799](https://tithely.com/event-registration/#/6291799)
- **Volunteers** are warmly appreciated to support for hospitality during our Retreat (see separate email from Tamara Sokolov last week).

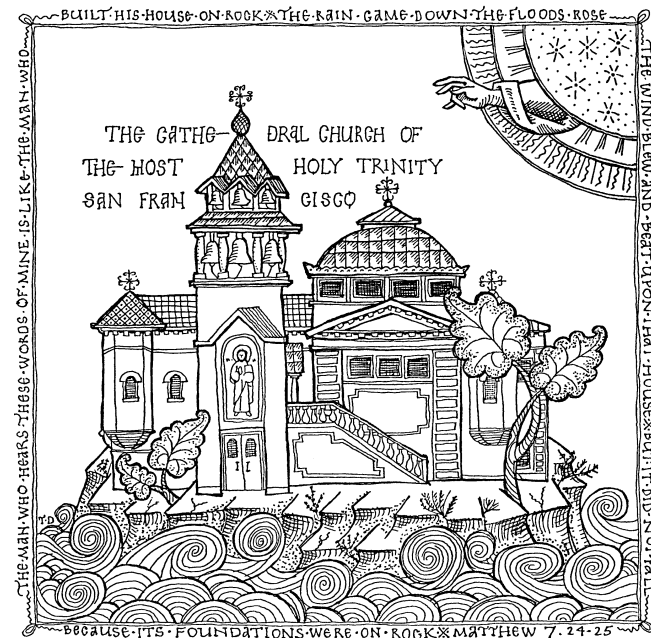
## This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Nov. 29:** 12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF
- Wed. Nov. 30:** 6:00 pm Vespers
- Thu. Dec. 1:** 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Fr. James
- Sat. Dec. 3:** **Annual Lenten Retreat**  
8:30 am Divine Liturgy  
10:00 am Registration, coffee, Lenten breakfast  
11:00 am First Session (*see flier for complete schedule*)  
1:30 pm Second Session  
4:00 pm Vigil and Confessions (*please note special time*)
- Sun. Dec. 4:** **Great Martyr Barbara; St. John of Damascus**  
9:30 am Divine Liturgy  
followed by Fellowship Hour & Reading Group  
(Christmas flowers offering)  
*Parking available at St. Brigid's for morning service.*

### Contact Fr. Kirill

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# Holy Trinity Cathedral



## Sunday, November 27, 2022

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*We are delighted to be together with you in worshipping the Holy Trinity.  
Welcome!*

**Today's Epistle**

Ephesians 2:14-22

**Today's Gospel**

Luke 13:10-17

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.****Great Martyr James the Persian (421).****Tone 7.****Today's Epistle Reading***Ephesians 2:14-22*

Brethren, Christ Himself is our peace, and it is He who has made both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of enmity, by abolishing in His flesh the Law of commandments expressed in decrees, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the Cross, thereby in Himself slaying the enmity.

And He came and announced the good tidings of peace to you who were afar off and peace to those who were near, for through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. Now therefore you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is fitted closely together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

**Today's Gospel Reading***Luke 13:10-17*

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day."

The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

**Come and see!**

In the Orthodox practice, major feasts are announced by "pre-feast" verses and hymns sung at services that lead up to the great feast. And the celebration of the Lord's incarnation, His Nativity, is certainly no exception! The canon of the feast of the Nativity begins to be sung on the festival of the entrance of the Virgin Mary into the temple (November 21) and the first pre-feast hymns of Christmas are sung on the feast of "the all-praised and first-called apostle Andrew" (November 30).

In the gospel according to Saint John, Philip tells his friend Nathanael to "come and see" Jesus, but it is Jesus Himself who invites Andrew to "come and see" where He dwells and to spend the day with Him, together with another disciple of John the Baptist, who is probably the evangelist himself.

*Come and see!* This is the abiding invitation of the Church in her liturgical services. Come with faith and you will be numbered with those to whom "it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven" (Mt 13: 11). You will be found with those to whom insight has been granted into "the mystery of Christ" which is "the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things" which is now made manifest "through the Church" even to the angels (Eph 3:4, 9-10).

To go the way of the Winter Pascha is, according to Saint Gregory the Theologian, to "travel without fault through every stage and faculty of the life of Christ." It is to enter into the mysteries of the Messiah, "all of which have but one completion: my perfection and return to the first condition of Adam." It is to "see and be seen by the great God who in Trinity is worshipped and glorified, and whom we now set forth before you as clearly as the bonds of flesh permit, in Jesus Christ our Lord."

—adapted from *The Winter Pascha*, by Fr. Thomas Hopko

**Many Years!****Anniversary of Baptisms & Chrismations:**

Robert (Reader Stephen) Parent (Nov 30)

Justin &amp; Sarah Disney (Dec 1)

Vitesse (Josephine) Disney (Dec 2)

Quête (Amelia) Disney (Dec 2)

**Nameday:**

Andrew Pickering (Nov 30)

**Birthday:**

Ella Jorgenson (Nov 27)

Larissa Edel (Dec 1)

**Thank you!**

Please join us downstairs for coffee and our fellowship meal! We look forward to meeting our guests and visitors.

**Thank you!**

Congratulations to Dmitri Gaudreau who was awarded the Alpha-Omega Orthodox Scouting Award Thursday.