April 17 -20 - 7:00 p.m. - Hymns of each day plus a virtual educational Zoom Service will be held each night. Email notice to connect will be sent the morning of each day.

 $\begin{array}{c} April\ 21^{st}-Holy\ Thursday-10:30\ a.m.\\ Holy\ Unction-3:00\ p.m. \end{array}$

April 22nd Good Friday
Royal Hours - 10:30 a.m.
Decorating of Epitaphio - 1:00 p.m
Unnailing Service - 3:00 p.m.
Lamentations Service - 6:30 p.m.

April 23rd – Holy Saturday – Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m. Midnight Pascha Service – 11:30 p.m. April 24th – Holy Pascha Agape Service – 3:00 p.m. Paschal Lamb Dinner to follow services

Food Festival Dates June 3rd – June 4th

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is the commemoration of the Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem following His glorious miracle of raising Lazarus from the dead Anticipating His arrival and hearing about the miracle, the people went out to meet the Lord to welcome Him with displays of honor and shouts of praise. We also receive and worship Christ in this same manner, acknowledging Him as our King and Lord. The triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem is a messianic event, through which His divine authority was declared. We are summoned us to accept both the rule and the kingdom of God as the goal and content of our Christian life.



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April 17, 2022 Palm Sunday Symeon the Holy Martyr, Bishop of Persepolis Makarios, Bishop of Corinth; Agapetos of Rome

Hymn of the Feast

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."

Entrance Hymn

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt.

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

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.

Epistle: 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.

Gospel Reading: 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.