

St. Alexis of Wilkes-Barre Orthodox Church

A Mission of the Orthodox Church in America

Meeting at St. Stephen Catholic Chapel, 2400 E Moody Blvd, Bunnell, FL 32110

Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

Confessions heard 9:00 AM Sundays, before and after evening services, and by appointment

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

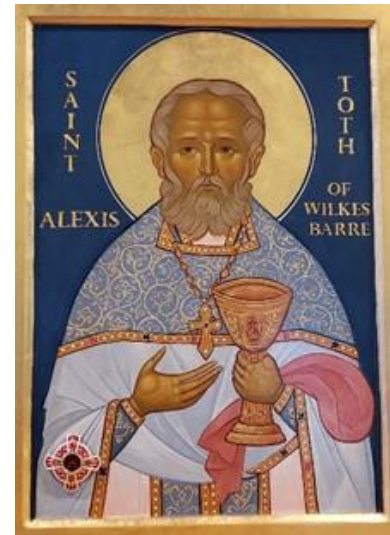
TONE 7

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Ven. Chariton the Confessor, Abbot of Palestine

“The Orthodox Christian Church
is evangelical, but not Protestant.
It is orthodox, but not Jewish.
It is catholic, but not Roman.
It is not denominational,
it is pre-denominational.
It has believed, taught,
preserved, defended, and died
for the Faith of the Apostles
since the Day of Pentecost
nearly 2,000 years ago.”

– *Our Life in Christ*



Welcome to our Guests!

Thank you for coming to pray with us. You will find a weekly bulletin with today's hymns and a blue guest information card on the back table. Please fill out the card and give it to a greeter or put it in the candle offering basket. You are also invited to *Coffee Fellowship* in the parish hall following the Liturgy this morning. Our priest will look forward to meeting you.

According to ancient Christian practice, Holy Communion (Eucharist) is served to members of the Orthodox Church who have made preparation through prayer, fasting, and recent confession, and who are at peace with their neighbor. If you are not a member of the Orthodox Church, you may be offered blessed bread (*antidoron*) by others in respect and love.

Greeter Schedule: Sep. 28 – Michael Pierre Oct. 5 – Octavian Farcasanu

Announcements:

Essential Orthodox Christian Beliefs — Encountering Orthodoxy through the Divine Liturgy

The OCA has a wonderful course of study using the Divine Liturgy as a guide for exploring the Orthodox faith, beginning with the Service of Preparation of the Gifts. Fr. David is now facilitating this class after Coffee Fellowship Hour on appointed Sundays - *check the calendar for dates!* Catechumens specifically are asked to attend, but all are welcome. In the Orthodox Church we pray what we believe and we believe what we pray. If you are a guest, seeker, inquirer or member, this is an opportunity to learn more about the meaning behind how we pray. So, enjoy Coffee Hour then join us back in the nave.

Special Activities Bag for our younger children during our services

Parents, you will find cloth St Alexis bags in the back of the church designed for you and your younger children to use during the services. These bags are just beginning to be filled with quiet learning tools such as books and soft Bible characters and saints, all designed for the youngest among us (ages 0-5) to multitask during the service while standing with you or seated quietly in a seat, on a lap, or on the floor. Every service is a time of gently and lovingly teaching our children how to pray, worship, and receive Christ. We want their earliest memories to be about how much they are loved by their Church family. Please put everything back in the bag at the end of the service and return it to the book table. Bags are not to be taken home, but are for use here at Church. If you see books or other items you would like to own, check out the Book Table and if you can't find it there, let Ali Marie know and we will try to order it for you at our cost. We love our little brothers and sisters very much!

ONGOING Opportunities for Love and Ministry in our Parish:

- **We need your help to set up our worship space on Sunday mornings.** Arrive by 8:00 AM and our Altar Servers will supervise the setting up process. **If you are an able-bodied member of our parish but cannot help during set-up, PLEASE do assist in the take-down process and clean-up.**
- **Can you push a light-weight stick vacuum?** We need volunteers to vacuum 1) ***the nave*** by noon each Sunday, and 2) ***the parish hall & kitchen*** after Coffee Fellowship Hour! See Mike or Karla.
- **Woodworkers, carpenters, and other skilled craftsmen needed!** In preparation for having our own building, there are projects waiting to be completed. If you have tools and expertise, your services will be greatly appreciated. Do you know someone with these skills? Send information to Fr David.

Building Fund: Still Growing!

Offerings may be designated at any time for the Building Fund and given online or placed in the ***Tithes & Offerings*** box on a table at the back of the nave.

Encouraging ACH donations at St. Alexis

We encourage online donors to choose **ACH** rather than credit card transactions. Our parish is charged a 2.2% transaction fee for each credit card donation. In contrast, we are charged only \$.25 for each ACH donation. This adds up to significant savings over time. In order to donate via ACH, you will need to register with **Church Connect**, a one-time, quick, secure set up. Mka Rozanne, Sdn Daniel, or Mike (Ruddy) are available to assist you.

Church Connect - Our St Alexis Orthodox Church App

- Scan the **QR code** with your smart phone to create your account
- You may also go directly to the link at: stalexisoca.org/give
- If you need help setting up your account, see Mka Rozanne



Prayer Lists – Pray for each other daily:

The Departed

- The Priest Slava
- Newly departed servant of God, Lidia (Ivanovskaia)
- Alexandra Zubko
- Micah Rucker
- Victims of accidents, hostilities, and natural disasters around the world
- The Unborn

Servants of God

- Fr Aleksandr Yu Shi
- The newly ordained Dn Daniel Werner, Mka Aly, & family at Seminary
- Fr Patrick, Mka Lauren, James, Walter, Henry, Kathryn, Ethan, Marissa, Andrew
- Fr Phillip, Kh Diane, Fr Jordan, Mka Vanessa, Fr James, Mka Daphne, Fr Patrick, Mka Kristen, Dn Jim, Mka Robin
- Ilya, Mary, Christopher, Cindy, Moses, Michael, Andrew, John, Lidia, Nina, Alexis, Monica, Bill, Carol, Linda, Madelyn, Stefan, Elena, Sophia and the child she carries, the infant James, Nicholas, Seraphina, Tabetha, AJ, James, and all members of our community traveling or on the bed of sickness
- St Gerard Campus staff and the mothers and babies they serve
- All who are homeless, unemployed, or under-employed in our community
- Catechumens Kenadea, Michael, Chris, Lesly, Gianna, Marco

Prayer for a home for St Alexis (Augmented Litany):

Again we ask Thee to continue to grant us wisdom, understanding, and discernment as we purchase buildings and property. Grant us great love and compassion for one another and the ability to inquire respectfully and listen carefully. Lead us in the way of Thy Truth for the glory of Thy Kingdom as we continue becoming Thy disciples and participate in making disciples, for the salvation of our children, our neighbors, and all people.

Today's Hymns: *Please sing along with the choir -- and all week long!*

Tone 7 Troparion (Resurrection)

By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death.
To the thief Thou didst open Paradise.
For the Myrrhbearers Thou didst change weeping into joy,
and Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,
to proclaim that Thou art risen,//
granting the world great mercy.

Tone 4 Troparion (St. Alexis)

O righteous Father Alexis,
our heavenly intercessor and teacher,
divine adornment of the Church of Christ!
Entreat the Master of All
To strengthen the Orthodox Faith in America,
To grant peace to the world //
And to our souls great mercy.

Tone 7 Kontakion (Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.
Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:
"The Savior has come to those in faith;//
enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!"

Tone 6 Kontakion (*Steadfast Protectress of Christians*)

Steadfast Protectress of Christians,
Constant Advocate before the Creator;
despise not the entreating cries of us sinners,
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith.
Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, //
for you always protect those who honor you!

Today's Scripture Readings:

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

The Lord's Prayer

English

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.

Slavonic (Transliterated)

Ot-che nash,
Ee-zhe ye see na nye-bye-sekh!
da svya-tee-tsya ee-mya Tvo-ye, da pri-ee-dyet Tsar-stvi-ye Tvo-ye:
da boo-dyet vol-ya Tvo-ya, ya-ko na nye-bye-see ee na zem-lee.
Khleb nash na-soosch-nui dazhd nam dnyes:
ee o-sta-vee nam dol-gee na-shya, ya-ko-zhe ee mui o-sta-vlya-yem
dol-zhnee-kom na-shim:
ee nye vye-dee nas vo ees-koo-shye-ni-ye,
no eez-ba-vee nas ot loo-ka-va-go.

Spanish

Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos,
Santificado sea tu nombre.
Venga tu Reino.
Hágase tu voluntad así en la tierra como en el cielo.
El pan nuestro de cada día dánosle hoy,
Y perdona nuestras deudas, así como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores;
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentación, mas líbranos del mal.

Life in our Church

Sunday, Sep 28	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour</i> <i>Essential Orthodox Christian Beliefs</i>	9:30 AM 12-1:30 PM
Thursday, Oct 2	Bible Study (at the Ayer home)	6:00 PM
Sunday, Oct 5	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour</i> <i>Essential Orthodox Christian Beliefs</i> <i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	9:30 AM 12-1:30 PM 12-1:30 PM
Thursday, Oct 9	Bible Study (at the Ayer home)	6:00 PM
Sunday, Oct 12	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>Parish Council Meeting</i> <i>Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council</i>	9:30 AM
<i>Oct 15-18 Thriving in Ministry Facilitators Retreat (Ruckers)</i>		
Thursday, Oct 16	Bible Study (at the Ayer home)	6:00 PM
Sunday, Oct 19	Reader's Typica (Obednitsa) <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour</i>	9:30 AM
Thursday, Oct 23	Bible Study (at the Ayer home)	6:00 PM
Sunday, Oct 26	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>Open discussion after Coffee Fellowship</i> <i>in preparation for Annual Meeting Nov 16</i> <i>(Agenda & 2025 Budget draft available)</i> <i>Essential Orthodox Christian Beliefs</i>	9:30 AM 12-1:30 PM
Thursday, Oct 30	Bible Study (at the Ayer home)	6:00 PM
Sunday, Nov 2	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>Open discussion during Coffee Fellowship</i> <i>in preparation for Annual Meeting Nov 17</i> <i>(Agenda & 2025 Budget draft presented)</i> <i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	9:30 AM 12-1:30 PM
Thursday, Nov 6	Bible Study (at the Ayer home)	6:00 PM
Sunday, Nov 9	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>Parish Council Meeting</i> <i>Open discussion after Coffee Fellowship</i> <i>in preparation for Annual Meeting Nov 16</i>	9:30 AM