#### Tone 1 **Troparion**

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God.

Like the children with the palms of victory,

we cry out to Thee, O Vanguisher of Death:

"Hosanna in the highest!//

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord."

#### **Troparion** Tone 4

When we were buried with Thee in baptism, O Christ God, we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy Resurrection.

Now we praise Thee and sing:

"Hosanna in the highest!//

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!"

#### Glory... Tone 3 Troparion (St. Matthew)

From the tax desk you eagerly followed the call of Christ the master, Who of His goodness, revealed Himself on earth to man.

You appear as a chosen apostle & eloquent proclaimer of the Gospel to the universe!

Wherefore, we revere your honorable memory, O Divinely speaking Matthew//

Pray to the merciful God that He will grant remission of sins to our souls.

Now and Ever... Tone 6 Kontakion Sitting on Thy throne in Heaven, carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God, accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing:// "Blessed is He Who comes to recall Adam!"

## **Donations for Pascha Flowers**

Donations to help offset the cost of flowers that will adorn the Church on Pascha are now being accepted. Please note on your check or giving envelope that your donation is for "Flowers."



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# Holy Week and Pascha Schedule

Holy Monday, April 29, 6:00 PM Matins (Bridegroom Service)

Holy Tuesday, April 30, 6:00 PM Matins (Bridegroom Service)

Holy Wednesday, May 1, 6:00 PM Matins (The Last Supper)

Holy Thursday, May 2, 9:30 AM Vesperal Liturgy (The Last Supper)

Holy Thursday, May 2, 6:00 PM Matins (The 12 Passion Gospels)

Holy Thursday, May 2, 6:00 PM - Matins (The 12 Passion Gospels) (at St. Macrina Chapel, Waupaca)

Holy Friday, May 3, 3:30 PM Vespers (The Removal from the Cross)

Holy Friday, May 3, 6:00 PM Matins (The Burial of Christ)

Holy Saturday, May 4, 9:30 AM Vesperal Divine Liturgy

(The Empty Tomb)

Great & Holy Pascha Sunday, May 5, beginning May 4 at 11:30 pm - Nocturnes, Procession, Matins & Divine Liturgy

Great & Holy Pascha Sunday, May 5, 3:00 PM Vespers (Agape

Vespers)

## Philippians 4:4-9 (Epistle)

Brethren: rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy — meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

## **John 12:1-18 (Gospel)**

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him. Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil. But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said, Why was this fragrant oil 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 had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always." Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus. The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' The King of Israel!" Then Jesus. when He had found a young donkey, sat on 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 these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him. Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness. For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign.

# <u>A Special Parish Meeting</u> to discuss the Herrick Hall roof will be held TODAY, Sunday, April 28th during coffee fellowship!

At this meeting you will be informed about the roof replacement plan. In addition, a vote will be taken that will hopefully allow us to replace the roof sometime this summer. Please plan to attend this important meeting.











Following Agape Vespers on **Sunday afternoon May 5th**, an **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held for the children of SMOC. A pot luck meal will follow.











#### **SMOC News and Events Schedule**

- There is **No Book Study/Bible Study** on Tuesday, it will meet again weekly starting on Tuesday, May 14.
- Wednesday Night Adult Education is on hiatus until the second week of May due to the Lenten service schedule
- Vacation Church School for children ages 5 15 will be
  July 15, 16 & 17 and July 29 & 30! More info to come in May.

## Sign-up Sheet for Reading at the Tomb of Christ

There is a sign-up sheet at the candle stand for the continuous reading of Psalms (before Holy Saturday Liturgy) and the Acts of the Apostles (after Holy Saturday Liturgy) beside the Tomb of Christ on Holy Friday and Holy Saturday. Please sign up for one slot only at first so that others can get a chance to sign up. Also, please be assured that the building will be locked overnight for safety reasons, and that all participating will be given the side door's keypad code. The keypad was recently maintenanced so there should be no issues with the keypad.

## **Confession**

Please feel free to schedule a Confession this Holy Week if you would like to come to Confession before Pascha. We remember that we make Confession not because God needs us to admit our sins, but because we need to come to terms with our internal spiritual state, so that we can leave sin behind and grow in our union with God in Christ.