

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & EVENTS

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

See our preparedness page at [ArizonaOrthodox.com/READY](https://arizonaorthodox.com/READY)

Tues. Sept. 16	6:30 pm	Theology 101
Wed. Sept 17	6:30 pm	Akathist for ASONA
Thurs. Sept 18	9 am	Divine Liturgy
Fri. Sept. 19	11 am	Russell baby Baptism
Sat. Sept 20	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept 21	9 am	Nativity of Theotokos 'Back to Church' Liturgy
Tues. Sept. 23	6:30 pm	Theology 101
Wed. Sept 24	6:30 pm	Akathist for ASONA
Thurs. Sept 25	9 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Sept 26	8 am	ASONA MARKET
	9 am	HC LITURGY AT CTS
	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept 27	9 am	Divine Liturgy

PRAY FOR PEACE PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

For ASONA Merchandise: <https://merchloop.com/collections/ASONA>

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Prokeimenon in Tone 3 (Ps 146)

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power, / His understanding is beyond measure!

Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God!

And in the 7th Tone (Ps 115)

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints!

EPISTLE: 2 COR. 1:21-2:4; 1 TIM. 2:1-7; COL. 3:12-16

Brethren: He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

Timothy, my son, I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Brethren, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Alleluia in Tone 4 (Ps 64)

Praise is due to Thee, O God, in Zion, and to Thee shall vows be performed.

Bless the crown of the year with Thy goodness, O Lord!

And in the same Tone (Ps 111)

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments.

GOSPEL: MATT 22:1-14; LUKE 4:16-22; MATT 11:27-30

THE LORD SAID THIS PARABLE, "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.' " But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. 'Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen.

AT THAT TIME, He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?"+

THE LORD SAID, "All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him. Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."+