

Habakkuk the Prophet

This Prophet, whose name means "loving embrace," is eighth in order of the minor Prophets. His homeland and tribe are not recorded in the Divine Scriptures; according to some, he was of the tribe of Symeon. He prophesied in the years of Joachim, who is also called Jechonias, before the Babylonian captivity of the Jewish People, which took place 599 years before Christ. When Nabuchodonosor came to take the Israelites captive, Habakkuk fled to Ostrakine, and after Jerusalem was destroyed and the Chaldeans departed, Habakkuk returned and cultivated his field. Once he made some pottage and was about to take it to the reapers in the field. An Angel of the Lord appeared to him, and carried him with the pottage to Babylon to feed Daniel in the lions' den, then brought him back to Judea (Bel and the Dragon, 33-39): His book of prophecy is divided into three chapters; the third chapter is also used as the Fourth Ode of the Psalter. His holy relics were found in Palestine during the reign of Emperor Theodosius the Great, through a revelation to Zebennus, Bishop of Eleutheropolis (Sozomen, *Eccl. Hist.*, Book VII, 29).

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Orthros at 8:45 a.m. Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship Coffee Hour will follow Divine Liturgy

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December 2, 2018

14th Sunday of Luke

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The Second Antiphon

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Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, we sing to You, Alleluia.

Only begotten Son and Word of God, being immortal, You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and, without change, became man. Christ, our God, You were crucified and conquered death by death. Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: Save us.

Resurrectional Apolytikion, Mode 2

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the nether-world, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You.

The Small Entrance

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Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, we sing to You, Alleluia.

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Holy Trinity Dismissal Hymn

Ev-lo-gi-tos i Chri-ste o The-os i-mon, o pan-so-fus tus a-li-is a-na-thi-xas, ka-ta-pem-psas af-tis to pnev-ma to a-gi-on, ke thi af-ton tin i-ku-me-nin sa-gi-nef-sas, fi-lan-thro-pe tho-xa Si!

Blessed are You, O Christ our God, You made the fishermen all-wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them You drew the world into Your net. O Lover of mankind, glory to You.

Kontakion. The Eve of the Nativity

On this day the Virgin comes to the cave to give birth to *God the Word ineffably, *Who was before all the ages. *Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing *the gladsome tidings; *with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him *Who is willing to be gazed on *as a Young Child Who *before the ages is God.

Hymn

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Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

The Readings

This reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 6:10-17

Brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

The Reading is from Luke 18:35-43

At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

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Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia

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We have seen the true light; we have received the heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshiping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us.

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Hymn: Blessed be the name of the Lord, from now and to the ages.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & EVENTS

Sunday, December 2	8:45 AM	Othros
	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday, December 5	Savas the Sanctified	
	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
	5:30 PM	Paraclesis
	5:45 PM	Junior Choir
	6:45 PM	Bible Study
Thursday, December 6	Nicholas the Wonderworker	
	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
	6:00 PM	Adult choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **CHRISTMAS CHOIR CONCERT: TODAY** at 5:30 pm. Come usher in the season with song and joy!
- **PLEASE SIGN-UP TO HAVE YOUR NAME ENTERED ON THE GOYA CHRISTMAS CARD.** The donation is \$15 per entry/family. You can sign-up on the table in the coffee hour room. The last day to have your name placed on the card is December 9th.
- **The St. Katherine's Philoptochos Christmas Get Together** will be this Tuesday evening, December 4 at 6:00 PM in the club room at The Hermitage. The address is 619 King St., Cola, SC 29205. Bring a gift, \$10 or under, for a gift exchange. Also, if you would like, bring an unwrapped gift for Toys for Tots. Please call Elizabeth Render if you need a ride or have any questions, 206-3639. Hope to see you there!
- **ALL CALL FOR GENTLY USED FESTIVAL T-SHIRTS:** The festival T-shirt committee would like to recycle your T-shirts in a creative way. Please call or drop them by the office if you have some to donate. Thank you for your support!
- **CHRISTMAS NATIVITY PLAY:** next Sunday, December 9th, immediately following church. Come see our Children and Youth showcase their talents! There will be special visit from Santa!
- **STEWARDSHIP REMINDER** — Please pick up your pledge cards after Liturgy in the Coffee Hour Room.