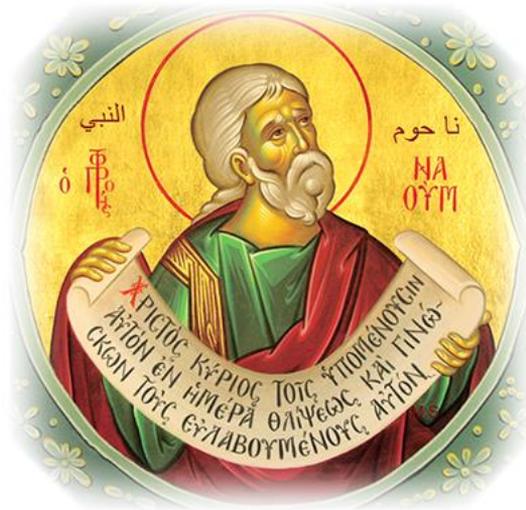


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Holy Prophet Nahum (7<sup>th</sup> cent. BC)



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## *Troparion and Kontakion*

### **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 2                      Troparion        (*Prophet Nahum*)**

We celebrate the memory of Thy Prophet Nahum, O Lord; through him we beseech Thee: "save our souls!"

### **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 4                      Kontakion        (*Prophet Nahum*)**

Illumined by the Spirit, thy heart was a vessel of illustrious prophecy, seeing far-off things as though they were present. Therefore, we venerate thee, glorious prophet Nahum.

## *Epistle and Gospel Readings*

### *Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22*

<sup>14</sup>For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, <sup>15</sup>having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. <sup>17</sup>And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. <sup>18</sup>For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>Now, therefore, you are no longer

strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, <sup>21</sup>in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

***Gospel: Luke 18:18-27***

<sup>18</sup> Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>19</sup> So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. <sup>20</sup> You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.' " <sup>21</sup> And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." <sup>22</sup> So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." <sup>23</sup> But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. <sup>24</sup> And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup> And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" <sup>27</sup> But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

***Many Years!***

<i>Birthdays</i>	5	Diane Dorogy
	6	Leah Hough
		Michael Muth

*Announcements for Sunday, December 1, 2019:*

- Today: Everyday Orthodoxy Class on Stages of the Spiritual life.
- Wednesday, December 4 at **6pm**: Small Compline
- Thursday, December 5 at **6pm**: Great Vespers for St. Nicholas
- Friday, December 6 at **9am**: Divine Liturgy for St. Nicholas
- Saturday, December 7 at **4pm**: Family Church School - St. Nicholas Day Celebration.



*We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy this morning.*

There are green service booklets in the entrance area of our Church that will help you follow along with the service if you like. While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the cross and receiving the Holy Bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Please join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall!