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**15th Sunday after Pentecost, Sep 25th
Rest of Ven. Sergius, Abbot and Wonderworker
of Rádonezh and All Russia**

Troparion Tone 6 *(Resurrection)*

The angelic powers were at thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by thy grave, seeking thy most pure body. Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord, who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee.

Troparion Tone 4 *(St. Sergius)*

A zealot of good deeds and a true warrior of Christ our God, thou didst struggle greatly against the passions in this passing life; in songs and vigils and fasting thou wast an image and example to thy disciples, thus the most Holy Spirit lived within thee, and thou wast made beautiful by His working. Since thou hast great boldness before the Holy Trinity, remember the flock which thou hast wisely gathered, and do not forget to visit thy children as thou didst promise, venerable Sergius, our father.

Troparion to Saint George: You were bound for.... Glory to The Father....

Kontakion: Tone 6 *(Resurrection)*

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

Kontakion: Tone 8 *(St. Sergius)*

Bound by the love of Christ, O venerable one, and following him with unwavering desire, thou didst despise all carnal pleasures, shining like the sun in thy land. Therefore, Christ has enriched thee with the gift of miracles. Remember us, who venerate thy most holy memory and who call out to thee: Rejoice, O Sergius, made wise by God.

Kontakion Saint George: God raised you Now and ever

Prokeimenon: Tone 6 *(Resurrection)*

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. *(Ps. 27:9a)*

V. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me. (Ps. 27:1a)

Prokeimenon Tone 7 *(St. Sergius)*

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. *(Ps. 115:6)*

Epistle: (176) 2 Corinthians 4:6-15

Tone 6: V. *He who dwelleth in the shelter of the most high, will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God. (Ps. 90:1)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

V. He will say to the Lord: My Protector and my refuge; my God, in whom I trust. (Ps. 90:2)

V. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. (Ps. 111:1)

Gospel: (17) Luke 5:1-11

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. *(Ps. 148:1)*

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. *(Ps. 111:6)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

IN PREPARATION FOR OUR NEXT STUDY

Saturday, October 1st, 2022

Fr. Alexander

In last week's study, we analyzed examples of how God looks at our past, present, and future. We saw life-and-death events in saints' lives. Those events were not understood or appreciated as they were happening. Later, however, everyone could see God's hand in action.

With the understanding that what is evil or appears to be evil, in our present experience, often opens a door to a blessing, we need to turn our attention to the way in which we face daily life. How should a Christian face calamities or dangers, and what should be his/her active response (since only God can see the future)? Our study on October 1st will be devoted to this very question.

In practice, we often say, "I wish I knew, then, what I know now! My life would have been different." As you prepare for the coming study, you may decide to look into personal experiences and ask what principles applied.

God be with you as you examine the Christian life in detail. As you know, our study encourages discussion. I look forward to your active participation in the coming study.

Church Activities

- Confessions at 2:00 PM
- Next Orthodox study is on Oct. 1st. at 3:00 PM.
- Council Meeting Oct 2nd