ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ST. HERMAN OF ALASKA

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August 9, 2026 – 10th Sunday After Pentecost

St Herman, Wonderworker of Alaska (Glorification, 1970)
Afterfeast of the Transfiguration

The Dormition Fast begins August 1 and ends with the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God, on August 15.

August 9 is our "Summer" Altar Feast, for St Herman of Alaska.
Sat Aug 8, 4pm – Festal Vigil
Sun Aug 9, 9am – Festal Divine Liturgy

August 15 is the Great Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God.
Fri Aug 14, 6pm – Festal Great Vespers
Sat Aug 15, 9am – Festal Divine Liturgy
Blessing of Fragrant Herbs and Flowers

Sat Aug 15, 4pm – Great Vespers & confessions
Sun Aug 16, 9am – Divine Liturgy & fellowship

Sat Aug 22, 4pm – Great Vespers & confessions
Sun Aug 23, 9am – Divine Liturgy & fellowship

Hymns of the Day

Troparion for the Resurrection (Tone 1)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, / while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, / Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, / granting life to the world. / The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: / "Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! / Glory to Thy Kingdom! // Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!"

Troparion for the Transfiguration (Tone 7)

Thou wast transfigured on the mount, O Christ God, / revealing Thy glory

to Thy Disciples as far as they could bear it. / Let Thine everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, // through the prayers of the Theotokos! O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

Troparion for St Herman (Tone 7)

Joyful North Star of the Church of Christ, / guiding all men to the heavenly Kingdom; / teacher and apostle of the True Faith; / intercessor and defender of the oppressed;/ adornment of the Orthodox Church in America: / blessed Father Herman of Alaska, / pray to our Lord Jesus Christ // for the salvation of our souls!

Kontakion for the Resurrection (Tone 1)

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, / raising the world with Thyself. / Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished. / Adam exults, O Master! / Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee: // "Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!"

(Glory) Kontakion for St Herman (Tone 3)

The eternal light of Christ our Savior / guided you, O blessed Father Herman, / on your evangelical journey to America / to proclaim the Gospel of peace. / Now as you stand before the throne of glory; / intercede for your land and its people: // peace for the world and salvation for our souls!

(Now & ever) for the Transfiguration (Tone 7)

On the mountain Thou wast transfigured, O Christ God, / and Thy Disciples beheld Thy glory as far as they could see it; / so that when they would behold Thee crucified, / they would understand that Thy suffering was voluntary, / and would proclaim to the world // that Thou art truly the Radiance of the Father.

Instead of "It is truly meet"

Magnify, O my soul, the Lord Who was transfigured on Mount Tabor!

Your birthgiving was incorruptible! / God came from your body / and appeared on earth in flesh, dwelling among men. / Therefore we magnify you, O Theotokos!

Today's Scripture (for St Herman)

Epistle: Galatians 5:22-6:2

Brethren: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Gospel: Luke 6:17-23

At that time, Jesus came down and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem,

and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all.

Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven, for in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.

Prayers

The newly-departed: Fr Alexandar Haig (6/25). John Frimenko (5/6). Robert Eckert (7/21) and Robert Lewen (7/30) (who are both Abp. Mark's brothers-in-law).

For health of: Abp. Nathaniel, Abp. Alexander, Abp. Benjamin, Pani Anna Marie Slovesko, Mat. Mary Reynolds, Bernard Kusior, Nina Fatula, Gloria Spitko, Jessica (Philothea) Sullivan & infant Lucas, Richard Kawood, Peggy Hay.

For our Catechumens: Bradley Bosch, Brian Craig, Zaden Mershon, Sheridan Klippel.

For our diocese's seminarians and families: Subdeacon Jacob & Mariana Kurtz *(Luka, Noah, & Magdalena)*, Reader Alexander Koropsak, Nicholas & Abigail Sheridan.

Announcements

Shillington Memorial Blood Drive – Wed Aug 19, 1pm-7pm, at the Shillington Fire Co., 221 Catherine Street. Must sign up in advance. For more info: sthermanshillington.org/ShillingtonBloodDrive

Welcome to all visitors who have prayed and celebrated the Divine Liturgy with us this morning! We invite all of you downstairs for fellowship after the conclusion of the Liturgy. If you have any questions, please reach out to Fr. John at any time. *We love you and hope to see you again!*

Please note: In the Orthodox Church, the receiving of Holy Communion is the sign of one's ***full participation in the mystery of the Faith****, and all Orthodox Christians should receive it frequently.*

For this reason, Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who are ***prepared*** *to receive it (through* ***prayer****,* ***fasting****, and a recent* ***confession****) and are* ***at peace with each other****. Those who partake of the Eucharist normally fast from food and drink in the morning before the Divine Liturgy, as they are able.*

Social Hour & Church Cleanup Schedule

	Social Hour	**Church Clean-up**
July 5	Tina Gurnavage & Marcia Lutz	Marie Drosdak & John Waselus
July 12	Peggy Hay & Traci Weinstein	Tina Gurnavage & Stephanie Drosdak
July 19	Kathy Wanenchak & Stephanie Selis	John Lorchak & Phyllis Kawood
July 26	Elaine Dougherty & Karin Holm	Marie Drosdak & Traci Weinstein

Aug 1–14: Dormition Fast

Aug 2	Haven Black, Brad Bosch, Christina Monarek	Russ & Peggy Hay
Aug 9	Vicky McDonnell & Phyllis Kawood	Kyle & Daria Teter
Aug 16	Marie Drosdak & Stephanie Drosdak	Eugene & Kathy Wanenchak
Aug 23	Karen Sichak & Becky Kauffman	Marie Drosdak & John Waselus
Aug 30	Daria Teter & Marina Long	Brad & Becky Kauffman