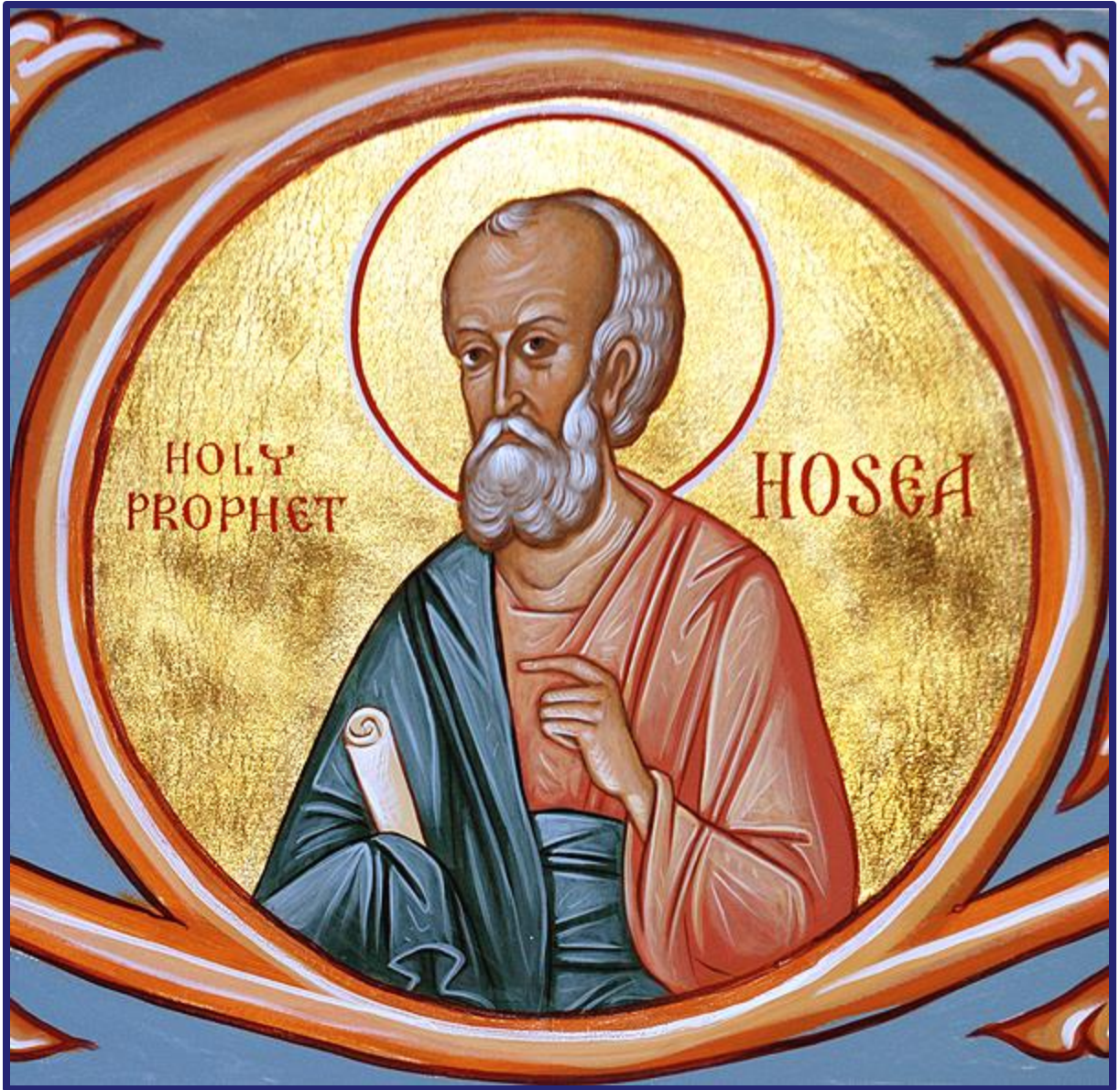


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Sunday, October 17, 2021

17th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 8

Prophet Hosea • Monk-Martyr Andrew of Crete

St. Susanna the Martyr, Queen of Georgia

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Most Services May Be Joined by Live Stream at Web Address www.facebook.com/htocelmiraheights or go to www.YouTube.com and search for "Holy Trinity Church Elmira Heights NY"

Today – Sunday, October 17

8:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, followed by Fellowship Hour and "Families Learning Together" Christian Education

Tuesday, October 19

7:00 PM Adult Education: "Thinking Orthodox" – with Dn. Michael

Saturday, October 23 – Memorial Saturday of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr

8:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

5:00 PM Great Vespers Followed By Choir Rehearsal; Private Confession Available After Vespers

Sunday, October 24

8:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Fellowship Hour, Church School and Teen Group

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Next Session: Tuesday 10/19, 7:00 PM

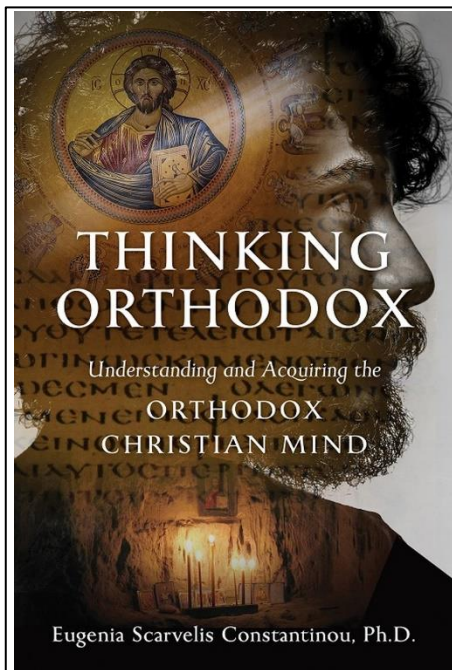
Class will be held in church, and also (as often as possible) webcast on Zoom.

We are focusing on the new book,
THINKING ORTHODOX: Understanding and Acquiring the Orthodox Christian Mind,
by Presbytera Dr. Jeannie Constantinou.

It is a thick book, but fear not! It is easy to read, and we'll take our time, section by section, topic by topic.

The book can be purchased in print or audiobook at Ancient Faith Bookstore, <https://store.ancientfaith.com/thinking-orthodox/> ... or at any major bookseller – or on Amazon Kindle.

You can hear Presbytera Jeannie's podcasts on Ancient Faith: www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/searchthescriptures



Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, Ph.D.

SAVE THE DATE!

FALL TEEN RETREAT

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL
NOVEMBER 5-7, 2021
CAMP SHILOH - HEWITT, NJ



WHEN: Friday-Sunday, November 5-7, 2021

WHERE: [Camp Shiloh, 753 Burnt Meadow Road, Hewitt, NJ 07421](https://www.campshiloh.org/)

OPEN TO: Teens in Middle School & High School

THEME: Discussions will be held around the topic of "Understanding Identity" as presented by [Faihtree Resources' Relationship Project](https://www.faihtree.com/)

QUESTIONS: Contact Danielle Geeza, at email danielle.geeza@gmail.com

REGISTER [HERE](#) BY OCTOBER 20TH!

COVID Precautions: Camp Shiloh has implemented many changes with visitors' safety & well-being in mind. You can review them [here](#), along with additional protocols and details [here](#).

SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Brethren: What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

GOSPEL: Luke 8:5-15 The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" Then His disciples asked Him, saying, "What does this parable mean?" And He said, "To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – FOOD SALE THIS FALL

As you know, we have been discussing a Food Sale Fundraising event – both to welcome newcomers to our parish, and to raise funds for our ministries. For now, we will plan for "take-out" sales, not dine-in events, using the Ministry / Fellowship Hall as our base. Please sign up on the sheet downstairs to offer some of your time and talents to make our first Food Sale in many years, a success. *Thank you!*

PARISH NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Saturday, Oct. 23: Choir Rehearsal**, After Great Vespers
- **Thursday, Oct. 28, 6:30 PM: Parish Council Meeting**, in the Church
- **Wednesday, Nov. 3: 2021 Diocesan Assembly**, being held by video conference.
- **Friday-Sunday, Nov. 5-7: Diocesan Teen Retreat, Camp Shiloh, Hewitt NJ.** Details are below.
- **Saturday, Nov. 20: Diocesan Altar Server Retreat**, at Holy Resurrection Church, Wayne NJ.

PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David at 732-3980, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for anyone who is sick, however severe. If you are preparing for surgery (or recovering from it), please call Father.

Marriages and Baptisms require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates, choosing sponsors, and reserving reception halls.

Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians who have not declined the Sacraments. ***The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremations.***

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Victoria; Archpriest Lawrence Barriger, Matthew; Nikolay, Vera; Levan; Clifford, Michael, the child Sofia; Albert; the child Carson, Betty; Rocco, Emilia; Ludmilla. All those taken from us by the Coronavirus, by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Archbishop MICHAEL; Fr. Jason, Fr. Nicholas, Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra, Fr. Gregory White, recovering from surgery; Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia, Fr. Michael; Rdr. Alexander, Rdr. Thomas & Mildred, Rdr. William; Mat. Anastasia; newly baptized Ivan; newborn Logan; child Emmett; Ann; Christa; Sebastian, Joyce; Helen; Nadezhda; Lisa; Gregory & Margaret; Michael; Peter; Ilsa; Nancy; Joan; Nicholas; Scott & Casey, Steven; Juliana, Antonina; Ryan; expecting mother Matushka Lillian; Jane Ann, Susan, James, James, Child Hannah, Sherry, Joshua, Chloe, Helen, Kathleen, Erica, Sherri, Ruth, Harriett, Katherine, Kristin, Sierra, Maria, Michael, Kate, Barry, Abigail, David.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbishop BENJAMIN; Fr. Joseph Lickwar, Fr. Leonty, Fr. Timothy & Mat. Michele Holowatch, Fr. John Jillions, Fr. David Garretson, Deacon Stephan Karlgut; Fr. Daniel Degyansky, Fr. Maryan Chaykivsky; Fr. Joseph (Hoffman); Fr. Moses Berry; Fr. Michael Dudas, Fr. Joseph Chupeck; Fr. Matthew Brown; Dn. John Holoduek; Dn. Anthony, Subdeacon Mark, Juliana, John & Michael; Reader Paul, Khourieh Hend Kevorkian; Matushka Mary Geeza; Matushka Anica Damjanovski; Mat. Ruth Federoff; Dr. Christopher; John, Simeon, Nathaniel, Janet, Gabriel, Kendrea; Olga, Janet, Alexandra, Nadine, Kathy, Jessica, John; Alexis, Reuben, Justin, Joseph, Amalia, Juniper, Genevieve, Ephraim, Lucia; Alexis, child Lucy; Kyra, Macrina, Rob; Jack, Lisa, Michael, John; Eugenia; Louis. All of the healthcare and public safety personnel in our parish and our communities; all those afflicted with the Coronavirus and those caring for them, those afflicted by sickness, violence, injury, and disaster.

Name Days: James King & James King, Jr. and James Cowan (St. James, Brother of the Lord, 10/23); Dmitri Charlanow (Great-Martyr Demetrius, 10/26).

Parish Children:

Lucia	Hannah	Jeremiah	Andrew	Myra	Ezekiel	Anysia
Lydia	Natalie	Emilia	Patrick	Sophia	Dmitri	Jonah
Gabriel	Angelina	John	Thomas	Nikolai	Melania	Alexei
Larissa	Julianna	Nadia	Gabriel	Justus	Samuel	

College Students: Anna McKane – Duke University •

Katherine McKane – Sarah Lawrence College Year Abroad at Oxford University, England •

Nathan Devens – Elmira College • Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College

Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, Dn. Michael, Subdcn. Walter, or a Reader. Typically, prayers for Newly Departed and Health remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise.

READERS' SCHEDULE

Oct. 16th – Oct. 22nd: Mary Carol Haluszczak

Oct. 23rd – Oct. 29th: Reader Dmitri

Oct. 30th – Nov. 5th: Reader Samuel

Nov. 6th – Nov. 12th: Mat. Tamara & Rdr. Gabriel

Nov. 13th – Nov. 19th: Reader Dmitri

Nov. 20th – Nov. 26th: Reader Alexander

Nov. 27th – Dec. 3rd: Reader William

Dec. 4th – Dec. 10th: Reader Samuel

Dec. 11th – Dec. 17th: Mary Carol Haluszczak

Dec. 18th – Dec. 24th: Mat. Tamara & Rdr. Gabriel

Dec. 25th – Dec. 31st: Reader Alexander

Jan. 1st – Jan. 7th: Reader Samuel

FALL/WINTER 2021 FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

Contact Mat. Tamara or Mat. Katie if you need a different date.

OCTOBER

17 Charlanow Family

24 Gomez & O'Brien Families

31 Karney Family

NOVEMBER

7 Haluszczak-Holobinko Families

14 Angelo, McKane & Loveland Families

21 Cowan Family

28 Payzant & Dudek Families

DECEMBER

5 Cheplick Families

12 Cusick, Speen & Urda

19 Karney Family

26 Melnik, Turic & Weeks Families