



CHRIST THE SAVIOR ORTHODOX CHURCH

REPORT OF THE RECTOR TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF JANUARY 29, 2023

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

1. METRICS FOR THE YEAR 2022

Baptisms: 6	Marriages: 0	Catechumens: 4
Chrismations: 0	Marriage Blessings: 1	Funerals: 0

Official Census: Submitted to the Diocese on January 28, 2022: 55 members.

2. MAJOR EVENTS OF 2022

January	2	St. Basil's Bread
	6	Holy Theophany
	8	Baptism: Dylan Gregory Parrish
February	6	2022 Annual Parish Meeting
	13	Baptism: Archer Lawrence Kostyk
	27	Installation of the Parish Council
March	5	Parking Lot Repairs
	6-12	Forgiveness Sunday / Clean Week
	13	Sunday of Orthodoxy
	21	Movie Outing: Man of God
	25	Annunciation
	27	Clergy Wives Birthday Party
April	3	Retreat: Arise, O God
	16	Lazarus Saturday / Baptism of Judith Irene Williams
	17-23	Palm Sunday / Great & Holy Week
	24	Holy Pascha
	29	Women's Psalter Group Dinner
May	1	Children's Egg Hunt / Basketball with Fr. John
	8	Baptism: Liam Gheorghe
	13	Movie Night: "Paul, Apostle of Christ" (2018)
	21	Baptism: Micah DeArmitt
	22	Cross Dive + Pool Opening
June	12	Holy Pentecost

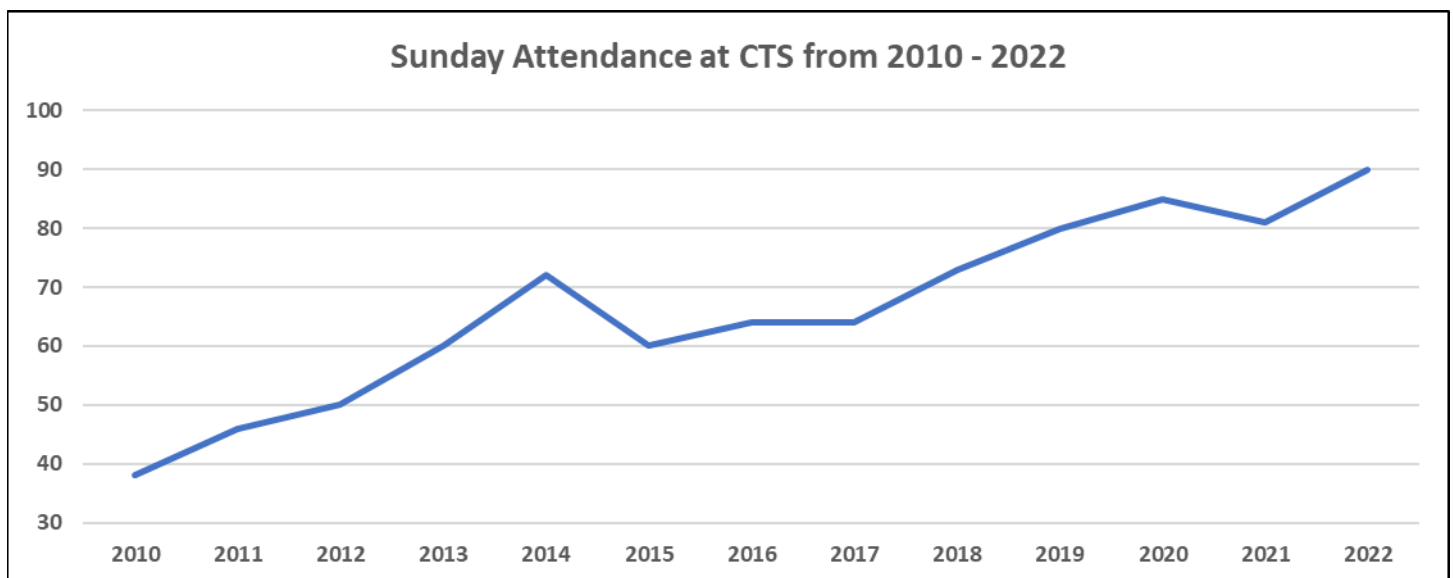
	19	Prayer for Graduates / Father's Day
July	10	New Catechumen: Pax Daniel Garcia
	10	Blessing of New Crosses for Archway and Parish Center
	18-22	All-American Council of the Orthodox Church in America in Baltimore, MD
	24	Blessing of Chariots
August	14	Portrait of Protopresbyter Daniel Presented to Mat. Dunia and parishioners
	15-16	Dormition of the Theotokos / Parish Feastday: Icon Not-Made-By-Hands
	28	Blessing of Teachers and Students
September	23	Movie Night: "The Most Reluctant Convert: The Untold Story of C.S. Lewis"
	24	Annual Assembly of the Archdiocese of Washington on Zoom
October	2	Blessing of Choir / Beginning of Church School Program
	10	Marriage Blessing: Brad and Georgiana Wright
	12	Start of new Bible Study: 1 and 2 Peter
	14	Reading Group: "The Problem of Pain" by C.S. Lewis
	30	Parish Park Day / Baptism of Maeve Joy Bridget Casserly
November	6	Blessing of Those in the Healing Ministries
	13	St. Michael's Party / Parish Thanksgiving
December	4	Christmas Caroling to Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
	14	Reading Group: "Money and Salvation: An Invitation to the Good Way"
	25	Nativity of Christ

3. A REVIEW OF 2022

Liturgy

Sincere appreciation is offered to our Liturgical Teams: Altar Servers, Choir Members/Directors, Readers, Livestreamers, Greeters, Cleaners, and Ushers. In September, our team of choir directors chose to turn the reigns over to Alexis DeArmitt, who has since served with exception as our full-time choir director. We thank all of the choir directors who have offered their talents throughout the years and who continue to make themselves available as needed: Matushka Annice Oleynik, Rdr. Nicholas Borodulia, Anya Klmitchev, Daria Parsells, and Joanne Patrick. May God bless them all!

Sunday Attendance: We averaged 90 people in 2022. Previous years: 81, 85, 80, 73, 64, 64, 60, 72, 60, 50, 46, 38.



Education

- Sermons/Homilies (70+)
- Bible Study (42)
- Reading Group (4)
- Movie Nights (3)
- Catechesis (33)
- Church School (22)
- Retreats (1)

Fellowship / Outreach

- Coffee Hours (50+)
- Open Pool (15+)
- Knit Nights (10)
- Men/Women/Youth Groups (3)
- Christmas Caroling (1)
- Parish Beach Days (4)
- Parish Park Days (1)
- Firepit Nights (5)
- Open Houses (2)
- Women's Psalter Group Dinner (1)
- Egg Hunt (1)
- Basketball with Fr. John (1)
- St. Michael's Day Party (1)
- Parish Thanksgiving (1)

Appreciation is expressed to the organizers, cooks, servers, cleaners, and attendees of the coffee hours, festal meals, men's and women's outings, beach days, festival meals, barbeques, birthday celebrations, and other such events which bind our community together through fellowship. We likewise express our gratitude to the entire Outreach Committee, chaired by Beth Dunbar. May the Lord bless you for your efforts!

Church School

We offer a church school program in two age groups for children Pre-K to High School. The classes, held each Sunday, cover the Gospel lesson and a selected topic, and include a question/answer session with Fr. John. The academic year runs from October 2, 2022 through May 21, 2023. Many thanks to Anne Rowe (coordinator) and our teachers Kelly Hageman, Rachael Howard, Chris Morsey, and Cecilia Wyant!

Project Illumination

A new double-sided sign was installed at our roadside entrance on Carey Road. Seven rooftop crosses and one large cross were mounted on the Parish Center and Archway, respectively. Ten mosaics depicting Christian symbols were fashioned by a team of artisans from the parish: Mirona Bendfelt (project lead), Rachael Howard, and Mat. Emily Parsells. A large mosaic of the Icon Not-Made-By-Hands was made and now shipped by St. Elizabeth's Convent in Minsk, Belarus. Lighting has been secured for the sign and mosaics at the entrance. The installation of lighting, mosaics, and landscaping is slated to be completed by March/April. Project Illumination is in memory of Protopresbyter Daniel Hubiak, who founded the parish in 2000. May the Lord bless the donors and may Fr. Daniel's memory be eternal!

All American Council @ Baltimore / Annual Assembly of the Archdiocese of Washington (Zoom)

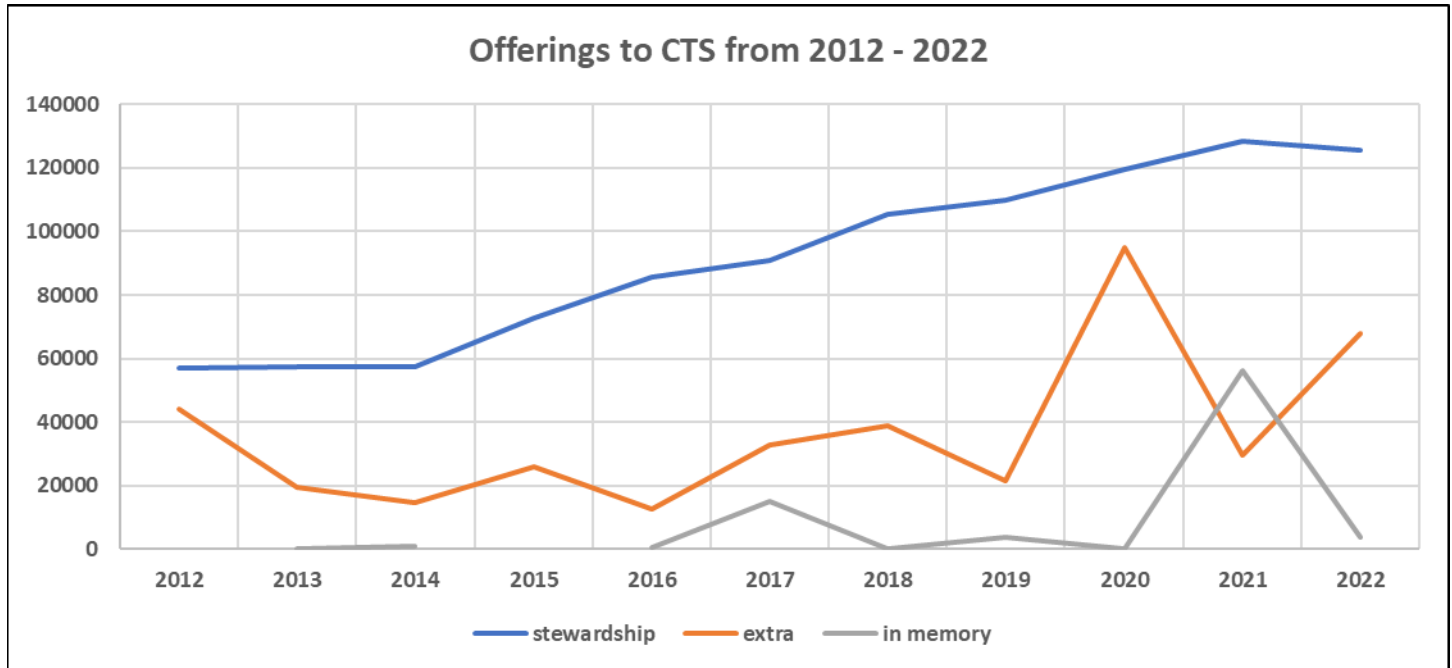
The 20th All-American Council of the Orthodox Church in America was held in Baltimore from July 18-22. Accompanying Fr. John were Kelly and Andrew Hageman, who served as our lay delegate and observer, respectively. Sincere appreciation is expressed to the Hageman family for traveling to Baltimore and representing our parish! Likewise, gratitude is expressed to Anne Rowe, who served as our lay delegate to the Annual Assembly of the Archdiocese of Washington, held on Zoom on September 24.

Retreat: "Arise, O God!"

An educational retreat with Archpriest Andrew Stephen Damick entitled, "Arise, O God: The Gospel of Christ's Defeat of Demons, Sin, and Death", was held at Christ the Savior on Saturday and Sunday, April 2 and 3, 2022. The retreat was offered at no cost and was open to everyone, with around 70 people in attendance. Appreciation is expressed to Fr. Andrew for his well prepared, fascinating and edifying presentations. We also thank Rdr. George Kaloroumakis and those who assisted in putting on the retreat as well as those who made donations to cover the costs.

Stewardship

Thanks to the generous and sacrificial offerings of our donors, we completed major infrastructural renovations and repairs to the Parish Center, parking lot, and grounds this year, totaling more than \$40,000 of unexpected but necessary expenses. Despite these additional financial challenges, general stewardship still held strong at \$125,677, down just \$2,726 from the previous year. Additionally, approximately \$30,000 was given for various charitable initiatives and other earmarks, bringing total income to \$197,331, one best years of overall financial stewardship yet at Christ the Savior. Glory to God and thank you for your strong support!



* Mortgage burning in 2016: \$318K donation


Thank You to All: Fellow Clergy / Parish Council / Supporting Committees / "Unknowns"

I would like to sincerely thank my brother priest, Archpriest Joseph Oleynick, for all that he (and Mat. Annice) do for our parish, my family, and me, personally – words are not enough! I likewise extend appreciation to all who served the Lord in so many capacities, on the council and committees, in positions and with titles, and those without office or recognition, those known and unknown. Likewise, gratitude is expressed to those coming off the council this year: Margaret LoGerfo, *Secretary*, Joanne Bushman, Chad Michael Fortin, and Marian Ridge. May the Lord continue to bless them and you all through the humble and devoted service you offer to Him and one another!

4. A VISION FOR 2023

This year the Rector and Parish Council will focus on:

1. Development of plans for short and long-term expansion.
2. Securing the Parish's future through maintenance of infrastructure.
3. Completion of Project Illumination: Entrance Project – Phase 2.
4. Outreach and evangelism to the local community.
5. Increased financial stability through good stewardship.
6. Learning, living, and loving our Orthodox Christian Faith.


Rector