Eastern Church Readings
18th Sunday after Pentecost.
John 20:1-10 (7th Matins Gospel)
2 Corinthians 9:6-11
Luke 7:11-16

Every Day is a Gift!
Always give thanks to God the Father for everything,
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Eph 5:20

Prayer
All-powerful God, keep me from all presumption of
mind and heart. Help me to realize that I depend on
You for everything and of myself I can do nothing!

Church News:
• St. Xenia mission has a new public email & web:
  xeniamission@gmail.com
  http://www.xeniamission.info
  Book mark the above links into your email and browser!

• The Ministry is starting a bimonthly gathering starting SOON. The
  updated web site is now published under the domain name and a
  posting will be put in MEETUP this month. Please look for the
  announcement and come participate!

Prayer Requests
• The St Xenia’s Church mission so that it will continue to
grow with God’s grace.
• For the unemployed, especially those needing to feed
  families.
• For the all the unborn children and their salvation.
• For Our Bishop Frank Adams.
• Persecuted Orthodox Catholic Christians throughout the world!
Reading 1  
ROM 4:13, 16-18
Brothers and sisters:
It was not through the law
that the promise was made to Abraham and his descendants
that he would inherit the world,
but through the righteousness that comes from faith.
For this reason, it depends on faith,
so that it may be a gift,
and the promise may be guaranteed to all his descendants,
not to those who only adhere to the law
but to those who follow the faith of Abraham,
who is the father of all of us, as it is written,
I have made you father of many nations.
He is our father in the sight of God,
in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead
and calls into being what does not exist.
He believed, hoping against hope,
that he would become the father of many nations,
according to what was said, Thus shall your descendants be.

Responsorial Psalm  
PS 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43
R.(8a) The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.
You descendants of Abraham, his servants,
sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!
He, the LORD, is our God;
throughout the earth his judgments prevail.
R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

He remembers forever his covenant
which he made binding for a thousand generations –
Which he entered into with Abraham
and by his oath to Isaac.
R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

For he remembered his holy word
to his servant Abraham.
And he led forth his people with joy;
with shouts of joy, his chosen ones.
R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Alleluia  
JN 15:26B, 27A
R. Alleluia, alleluia.
The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord,
and you also will testify.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel  
LK 12:8-12
Jesus said to his disciples:
"I tell you,
everyone who acknowledges me before others
the Son of Man will acknowledge before the angels of God.
But whoever denies me before others
will be denied before the angels of God.

"Everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven,
but the one who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit
will not be forgiven.
When they take you before synagogues and before rulers and authorities,
do not worry about how or what your defense will be
or about what you are to say.
For the Holy Spirit will teach you at that moment what you should say."