

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016

7TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Third Tone

Let the Heavens rejoice; let earthly things be glad; for the Lord has wrought might with His arm, He has trampled upon death by death. The first-born of the dead has He become. From the belly of Hades has He delivered us, and has granted great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion for Paul the Confessor in the Third Tone

Your confession of the one divine Faith showed you to the Church to be a new Paul and a zealot among priests, O holy one. The righteous blood both of Abel and Zachary with you does cry out together unto the Lord. Righteous Father, intercede with Christ God in our behalf that His great mercy may be granted unto us.

Hymn of the Annunciation in the First Tone

Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery before the Ages. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaims the great grace. Therefore, with him let us cry out unto the Theotokos, "Hail, Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἢ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Second Tone

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto you: Hasten to intercession and speed you to make supplication, O you who does ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor you.

THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

Epistle Reader: Mitch Obradovic

Prosfora: Enosis Toulitos

Usher Duty Team 4: Endy Carter, Vasili Semos & Harris Sinis

Greeters: Sarkis & Jenny Kish

Stewardship Sunday with Coffee Hour hosted by Stewardship Committee



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We welcome you to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church and are blessed that you have come to our worship service. We hope that this worship experience is both enlightening and inspirational. Each Sunday is the day in which we commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are a visitor to our Parish we encourage you to follow the Divine Liturgy book to assist you in following the Liturgy. Please understand that the Christian Orthodox Church does not practice inter-communion with other Christian denominations. Though we may share a common belief in the Holy Trinity, our churches are not yet one in faith and practice. We believe that Holy Communion is not the means to Christian unity but it is in fact the fullest expression of that unity. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every divine service of the Orthodox Church. Please do not approach for Holy Communion if you are not a baptized/chrismated Orthodox Christian. Feel free to contact Father Simon if you desire to learn more about the Christian Orthodox Church, the Church of the New Testament.

We would like to remind all Orthodox Christians to be spiritually prepared and in proper canonical standing with the Church in order to partake of the Holy Eucharist.

THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS

On this the 6th day of the month of November, we commemorate the Seventh Sunday of Luke, Paul the Confessor, Patriarch of Constantinople and Luke the Monk of Taormina.

By their holy intercessions, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Epistle Reading - Galatians 1: 11-10

Prokeimenon. Third Tone. Psalm 46.6,1.

Sing praises to our God, sing praises.

Verse: Clap your hands, all you nations.

BRETHREN, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

Gospel Reading - Luke 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

VISITATION COMMITTEE

The following parishioners have requested visitation. Please contact them directly to schedule visitations. For address &/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the office.

Alec Collis

Pat Bacopulos Cooper - contact Marianthe Pilcher for visiting arrangements

Edna Nichopoulos

Zoe Nickas

Presvytera Bess Vieron

Visitation Committee Volunteers for 2016-2017

November: Connie Cotros, Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

December: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jameson

January: Nancy Tashie & Jan Futris

February: Vicki Hoover & family

March: Linda Nichols & Anne Schmitt

April: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

May: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham & Emily Love

June: Despina Karas/Angela Tobias

July: Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

August: Stephanie Poplos & friend

September: Susanna Peters, Maria Apalodimas & Cathe Skefos

October: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the visitation committee.

FASTING THIS WEEK

This week we observe a strict fast on Wednesday and Friday.
The rest of the week we are fast free.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 6, Seventh Sunday of Luke

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy immediately following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Sunday School 11:00 am**
- ◆ **GOYA Meeting 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Stewardship Luncheon 12:00 Noon**

Monday, November 7

- ◆ **Orthros/Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm**

Tuesday, November 8 Feast of the Archangels

- ◆ **OCF at Ole Miss 6:00 pm**
- ◆ **Bible Study 6:30 pm**

Wednesday, November 9 Feast of Saint Nektarios

- ◆ **Orthros/Divine Liturgy 9:00 am**

Thursday, November 10

- ◆ **Girl Scouts 4:15 pm**

Friday, November 11

- ◆ **Father Simon away**
- ◆ **Women of St. John Annual Fall Retreat at St. John 5:00 pm**

Saturday, November 12

- ◆ **Father Simon away**
- ◆ **Women of St. John Annual Fall Retreat 8:00 am - 2:15 pm**
- ◆ **DOP cooking and set up for Soup Sunday 8:00 am**
- ◆ **GOYA Tailgating & Football U of M vs UCF**
 - ◆ **Tailgating 2:00 pm**
 - ◆ **Game 6:00 pm**

Sunday, November 13 8th Sunday of Luke, Feast of Saint John Chrysostom

Father Simon Away - Father Alex Mackoul from St. John will celebrate the Divine Liturgy

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy immediately following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Sunday School 11:00 am**
- ◆ **Elpis Philoptochos Bookstore Open House 11:30 am**
- ◆ **Soup Sunday to Benefit Penelope House - hosted by the Daughters of Penelope**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Stewardship Luncheon** Sunday, November 6 in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy
- ◆ **Community Christmas Card** - If you'd like to participate in the Community Christmas Card, your names and donation of \$25.00 are now being collected by Sophie Theodore in Cotros Hall on Sundays. Cash or Check is acceptable. Please make check to ELPIS. If you are unable to attend church, you can mail your check to Sophie Theodore at 3554 Kenwood Ave., Memphis, TN 38122. Proceeds benefit parishioners in need.
- ◆ **Greek School Adult Class** - Please see Despina if you are interested.
- ◆ **Elpis Month of Giving:**
 - ◆ Bring \$5 Kroger Gift Cards to help the needy on Sunday, November 20th.
 - ◆ Bring white cotton socks, chap stick, crackers/granola bars and bottled water for Blessing Bags for the homeless any time during November.
 - ◆ Food Bank Collection - bring Non-Perishable items for the Highland Heights Food Pantry any time during November.
 - ◆ Help prepare and deliver a special Thanksgiving Dinner to guests at More Than a Meal on November 20. Details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE

- ◆ **Women of St. John Annual Fall Retreat**, Friday November 11 at 5:00 pm to Saturday, November 12 at 2:15 pm
- ◆ **Elpis Bookstore Open House**, Sunday, November 13 11:30 am - 12:45 pm
- ◆ **Daughters of Penelope Soup Sunday to benefit Penelope House**, Sunday, November 13 in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy
- ◆ **Sunday School Hand Project** - The Sunday School will be designing a banner for Penelope House along with Daughters of Penelope on Sunday, November 13, during the Soup Luncheon for Penelope House. The theme is "Our World Without Abuse & Violence" - "Hands and Words Are Not for Hurting".
- ◆ **Community Thanksgiving Luncheon**, Sunday, November 20 in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy