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# ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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William Kallas, Pastoral Assistant

**Sunday, January  
20, 2019**

Twelfth Sunday of  
Luke

**Holy Bread**

Enosis Touliatos

**Ushers**

John Kay

**Epistle Reader**

Scott McKee

**Sermon**

William Kallas, Pas-  
toral Assistant

**Coffee Fellowship**

Coffee will be  
available in Cotros  
Hall

Welcome to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We are blessed that you have come to our worship service, and hope that you will be both enlightened and inspired. Every Sunday we celebrate 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 attending an Orthodox Church for the first time, our service may be foreign and perplexing to you. We assure you that everything we do is firmly rooted in the Scriptures. Please feel free to participate to the level that you feel comfortable.

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist – the Lord's Supper – to be, among other things, the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox Faith. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church. *Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a unity with all the dogma and practices of the Orthodox Church, non-Orthodox guests do not receive Holy Communion.* All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the end of the service.

## First Antiphon

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*Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us!*

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name.  
Psalm 102:1

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He has done for you.  
Psalm 102:2

Verse 3: The Lord in heaven has prepared His throne, and His kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 102:17

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.*

## Second Antiphon

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*Save us, O Son of God, Who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia*

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord in my life; I will chant unto my God for as long as I have my being.

Psalm 145:1-2

Verse 2: Blessed is He of whom the God of Jacob is his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Psalm 145:5

Verse 3: The Lord shall be King unto eternity; your God, O Zion, from generation to generation.

Psalm 145:10

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.*

## Third Antiphon

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*Apolytikion of the Sunday*

Verse: This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Let the heavens and the earth praise Him.

Psalm 117:24; Psalm 68:34

## Resurrectional Apolytikion

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*Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the First Mode*

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate Body, You did arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to You, O Lifegiver: Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation, O only Friend of man.

## Apolytikion for Euthymius the Great

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*Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode*

Be glad, O barren one, that has not given birth; be of good cheer, you that hasnot travailed; for a man of desires has multiplied your children of the Spirit, having planted them in piety and reared them in continence to the perfection of the virtues. By his prayers, O Christ our God, make our life peaceful.

## Hymn of the Annunciation

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*Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode*

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 ἡ 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

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*Sung after the hymn above in the First Mode*

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

**Sunday, January 20, 2019**

St. Euthymios the Great  
St. Zacharias the New  
Martyr of Patra

**Monday, January 21,  
2019**

St. Maximos the Confes-  
sor  
St. Neophytos the Martyr

**Tuesday, January 22,  
2019**

St. Timothy of the 70  
St. Anastasios the Persian  
Martyr

**Wednesday, January 23,  
2019**

St. Clement, Hieromartyr  
of Ancyra  
St. Agathangelos the  
Martyr

**Thursday, January 24,  
2019**

St. Xenia, Deaconess of  
Rome  
St. Babylas the Hieromar-  
tyr

**Friday, January 25, 2019**

St. Gregory the Theologi-  
an & Archbishop of Con-  
stantinople

**Saturday, January 26,  
2019**

St. Zenophon & his Com-  
panions  
St. Symeon the Elder

## **Epistle: II Corinthians 4:6-15**

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**Prokeimenon. Grave Mode.  
Psalm 149.5,1**

The saints shall rejoice in glory.  
Verse: Sing to the Lord a new song.

**The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corin-  
thians 4:6-15**

Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

## Sunday, January 20, 2019 **Gospel: Luke 17:12-19**

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**Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

### Monday, January 21, 2019

**Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

### Tuesday, January 22, 2019

**Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

### Wednesday, January 23, 2019

**Strict Fast** | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

### Thursday, January 24, 2019

**Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

### Friday, January 25, 2019

**Fast Day (Wine and Oil Allowed)** | Wine and oil are allowed. Refrain from meat, fish, dairy, and eggs.

### Saturday, January 26, 2019

**Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

# Visitation Committee

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- January:** 1-15: Need Volunteers  
16-31: Jan Futris, Nancy Tashie, & Tina Liollo
- February:** 1-15: Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos  
16-28: Vicki Hoover & Evangelina Panas
- March:** 1-15: Elaine Daniels & Maria Wasserman  
16-31: Diane Kavelaras & Maria Moore
- April:** 1-15: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras  
16-30: Kristine Wagner & Sophie Theodore
- May:** 1-15: Need Volunteers  
16-31: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham, & Georgia Karris
- June:** 1-15: Need Volunteers  
16-30: Despina Karas & Angela Tobias
- July:** 1-15: Need Volunteers:  
16-31: Diane Kavelaras & Maria Moore
- August:** 1-15: Need Volunteers  
16-31: Debi Bookas, Linda Nichols, & Anne Schmitt
- September:** 1-15: Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos  
16-30: Need Volunteers
- October:** 1-15: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras  
16-31: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner
- November:** 1-15: Need Volunteers  
16-30: Need Volunteers
- December:** 1-15: Athena Jamison, Phani Mitchell, & Anastasia Terranova  
16-31: Need Volunteers

**The following members of our parish family have requested visitation. For address and/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the Church Office.**

Alec Collis  
Niki Gikas  
Maria Hetos  
Stella Nichols

Georgia Smith  
Jimmy Smith  
Kosta Taras

***Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the 2019-2020 Visitation Committee, a ministry of the Elpis Philoptochos.***

# Announcements

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- ◆ **YAL Game Night/Vasilopita Celebration**, Sunday, January 20th, 2019 at 6:00 pm at Alexis Moore's Home . Contact her or RSVP for the event on the YAL Memphis Facebook page.
- ◆ **Parish Council Meeting**, Monday, January 21st, 2019 at 6:15 pm in the Library
- ◆ **Elpis Ladies' Night Out, Sunday**, January 27th, 2019 4:00 pm at Poplos Home
- ◆ **House Blessings:** Please sign up for your House Blessings now. The last day for House Blessings will be Friday, March 8th. You can find the House Blessing form at [www.goann.net](http://www.goann.net), on our Facebook page, in the January and February 2019 Epistles, in the Narthex or have one emailed to you.
- ◆ **YAL Super Bowl Party**, February 3rd, 5:00 pm at the home of Demetri & Elleni Papastefan, RSVP to Elleni at 850-509-5923. Please bring an appetizer

- ◆ **Choir:**

We welcome ALL to choir rehearsals! No auditions required - only your spirit and willingness to sing! Also, There is no obligation to sing in the loft; your voice can be useful in the congregation. Therefore, If you want to simply learn how to improve your knowledge and vocal skills or about our hymn setting, we would be happy to have you at rehearsals! If you have been thinking about joining the choir, rehearsals are a great way to become familiar with our music and how your voice works with others. Reading music notation or Greek language is NOT required. Again, this is open to all! Let us Sing in praise and worship together!

**Rehearsals will be held on the following Thursdays: January 31, and February 7 & 28.**

- ◆ **Byzantine Chant Classes:**

No Experience Necessary! We will begin learning the Lenten Hymns. Please bring your friends! Classes will be held in the Library. See William Kallas for any questions.

- ◆ **Wednesday, January 23rd**

5:30 pm—6:30 pm

- ◆ **Thursday, January 24th**

5:00 pm—6:00 pm

- ◆ **Wednesday, January 30th**

5:30 pm—6:30 pm

- ◆ **St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Workshop Schedule**

All participants of the 2019 St. John Chrysostom Festival are encouraged to attend two workshops, to be held after Sunday School classes in the Parish Library. Contact William Kallas for more details!

**Sunday, January 20th**

**Sunday January 27th**

**Sunday, February 3rd**

**Sunday, February 10th**

**Sunday, February 17th**

**Sunday, March 3rd**

# Weekly Schedule

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## **Sunday, January 20th, Twelfth Sunday of Luke**

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† Nursery Available 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Elpis General Meeting 12:00 Noon

† St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival—Participant Workshop 12:00 Noon

† Coffee will be available in Cotros Hall after Services

† More Than A Meal—Serving Team 3:00 pm at Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal Church

## **Monday, January 21st**

### **Parish Offices Closed in memory of Martin Luther King, Jr.**

† Parish Council Meeting 6:15 pm in the Library

† Fr. Vieron's Adult Greek Class 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall

## **Tuesday, January 22nd**

† Library Open 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

## **Wednesday, January 23rd**

† Byzantine Chant Class 5:30 pm in the Library

† Bible Study 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall

## **Thursday, January 24th**

† Byzantine Chant Class 5:00 pm in the Library

† Orthros 6:00 pm

† Divine Liturgy for St. Gregory the Theologian 7:00 pm

## **Sunday, January 27th, Fifteenth Sunday of Luke**

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† 40 Day Memorial for Cyndi Bagatelas

† Nursery Available 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Bagatelas Family for the 40 Day Memorial for Cyndi Bagatelas

† St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Participant Workshop 12:00 Noon

† Elpis Ladies Night Out 4:00 pm at the Poplos Home