

This Week at Holy Apostles...

Monday, 10/19 – Media Monday – “Repentance & Confession, pt 1”
Tuesday, 10/20 – 7:00am Men’s Group
 9:30am Liturgy – St Thomas (at SCH)
Wednesday, 10/21 – 6:00pm Paraklesis
Thursday, 10/22 – 12:30pm Women’s Study Group
Friday, 10/23 – 9:30 Liturgy (at SCH) – James, the Brother of the Lord

Thank you...

Tina and Kelly for your offerings of Prosfora, George & Fay for hosting today’s fellowship, Tyler for greeting, and all of the chanters who helped today and throughout the week!

Some Words from a Saint/Elder...

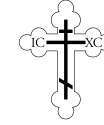
“Christians, have we understood the great responsibility that we have taken on before God through baptism? Have we come to know that we must conduct ourselves as children of God, that we must align our will with the will of God, that we must remain free from sin, that we must love God with all our hearts and always patiently await union with Him? Have we thought about the fact that our heart should be so filled with love that it should overflow to our neighbor? Do we have the feeling that we must become holy and perfect, children of God and heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven? We must struggle for this, so that we may not be shown unworthy and rejected. Let none of us lose our boldness, nor neglect our duties, nor be afraid of the difficulties of spiritual struggle. For we have God as a helper, who strengthens us in the difficult path of virtue.”
- St Nektarios of Aegina (+1920)

Future Dates to Keep in Mind

Sunday, 11/1 – Stewardship Sunday
Saturday, 11/14 – Open House & Car Raffle Drawing
Sunday, 11/22 – General Assembly
Sunday, 12/13 – PC elections
Sunday, 5/1/16 – Great & Holy Pascha
Saturday, 7/9/16 – WBAR

The Sunday Witness

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Commemorated Today

Luke the Evangelist
Marinos the martyr

Today’s Hymns

(to be chanted for pages 16 & 17 of the Liturgy Book)

Apolytikion for the Resurrection (Appendix 3): Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy.

For the Evangelist: O holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, intercede with the Merciful God, that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offenses.

For the Parish: O Holy Apostles, intercede with the Merciful God, that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offenses.

Kontakion: A protection of Christians unshamable, intercessor to our holy Maker, unwavering, reject not the prayerful cries of those who are sin; instead, come to us for you are good; your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: hasten to intercede, and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos for those who honor you.

Today’s Epistle Reading

Cantor: *Their voice has gone out into all the earth.*

The heavens declare the glory of God.

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The Reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians (4:5-11, 14-18)

BRETHREN, conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer every one. Tychicos will tell you all about my affairs; he is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimos, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of yourselves. They will tell you of everything that has taken place. Aristarchos my fellow prisoner greets you, and Mark the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions if he comes to you, receive him), and Jesus who is called Justos. These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me.

Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you. Give my greetings to the brethren at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. And when this letter has been read among you, have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you read also the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippos, "See that you fulfill the ministry which you have received in the Lord." I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my fetters. Grace be with you. Amen.

Gospel Reading

The Reading is from the Gospel of Luke (10:16-21)

The Lord said to his disciples, "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." In that same hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding

and revealed them to babes; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will."

Welcome Visitors!

Holy Apostles Orthodox Christian Church would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our guests and visitors who are with us today. Thank you for worshipping with us, and please stay for Coffee Hour at the conclusion of the Liturgy! If you have any questions about this parish, the service, or the Orthodox Church in general, please feel free to ask a parishioner, look at the pamphlets in the Narthex (the entrance to the church), or ask Fr. Paul after the service. Finally, if this is your first visit to our parish, in order that we may treat you as our honored guest, we ask that you **not** participate in the offering after the service. Again, thank you for joining us, and let us know if we can do anything for you today or in the future!

A Note on Holy Communion

For non-Orthodox: Welcome to our parish and the service of the Divine Liturgy! As a point of information, the Orthodox Church invites all to come and participate in the Divine Services. As the fullest communion among people occurs only when we are wholly united in faith and worship, however, please know that the Mystery of Holy Communion is reserved for Baptized/Chrismated Orthodox Christians. If, at the time of Holy Communion, you would like to receive a blessing from the Priest, we welcome you to approach the Chalice with those receiving Communion and recite the words, "The blessing of the Chalice" to the Priest who will then offer a blessing over your head. Further, at the conclusion of the Liturgy, ALL are welcome (Orthodox and non-Orthodox) to receive a piece of the blessed bread given out by the Priest. And please stay for our fellowship hour following the Liturgy!

For Orthodox: Holy Communion is reserved for those who have properly prepared through prayer, fasting, and the Mystery of Holy Confession and have arrived prior to the Gospel for the day, remembering the teachings of St. Paul which tell us that receiving Holy Communion unworthily is to our condemnation rather than salvation (I Cor 11:29). When receiving Holy Communion, please remove any lipstick prior to approaching the Chalice and hold the Communion cloth with both hands against the bottom of your chin. Finally, please refrain from venerating the Chalice after receiving.