

## Holy Apostles Orthodox Christian Church of Cheyenne, WY

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Services Schedule: Sunday Services - Orthros - 8:30 am - Divine Liturgy - 9:30 am

### Bulletin for Sunday, October 15, 2017

#### Saints and Feasts of the Day

Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council, Lucian the Martyr of Antioch, Savinos the Bishop of Catania, Barsus the Confessor, Euthymios the New

Hymns of the Day – Everyone is encouraged to sing the hymns and responses of the Divine Liturgy

**Resurrectional Apolytikion** (page 22 in the Service Book)

When Thou didst descend unto death, O Life Immortal, then didst Thou slay Hades with the lightning of Thy Divinity. And when Thou didst also raise the dead out of the nethermost depths, all the powers in the Heavens cried out: O Life-giver, Christ our God, glory be to Thee.

**Apolytikion for Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council** (page 22 in the Service Book)

You are greatly glorified, O Christ our God, who established our Fathers as luminaries upon the earth, and through them led us all to the true Faith. O Most compassionate, glory to You.

**Holy Apostles Apolytikion** (page 24 in the Service Book)

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

**Kontakion** (page 24 in Service Book)

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 thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

#### Gospel and Epistle Readings

**Matins Gospel Reading John.** (20:11-18)

At that time, Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." Saying this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why

Today, October 15th:

#### Leadership 100 Sunday:

In 1984, under the guidance of Archbishop Iakovos, The Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Fund was created as an endowment fund of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese to provide an opportunity for Greek Orthodox leaders to support the life-sustaining ministries of the Church. Join us this morning as we honor those who have helped to make this ministry a success. Since its inception in 1984, Leadership 100 has distributed more than \$48 million in grants that have ranged from providing scholarship funds for individuals studying for the priesthood at Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology to supporting a variety of National Ministries. These have included Religious and Greek Education, Youth, Young Adult and Camping Ministries, Family and Marriage Services, Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Internet Ministries and Home Mission. Leadership 100 has also provided humanitarian assistance during national and international crises.

Today, with more than 1,000 members, Leadership 100 is a philanthropic driving force within the Church, the Greek American Community, and in the nation and the world that transforms institutions and lives. For more information about the great works of Leadership 100, visit their website at: [www.L100.org](http://www.L100.org).



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are you weeping? Whom do you seek?" Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and said to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that He had said these things to her.

**Epistle Reading** (page 28 in the Service Book)

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Daniel 3.26,27

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.

Verse: For you are just in all you have done.

**The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15**

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

**Gospel Reading** (page 29 in the Service Book)

Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

**The Reading is from Luke 8:5-15.**

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go

on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

**Notes from Father Christopher**

**SMALL PARAKLESIS:**

Join us each Wednesday at 12 pm as we pray and chant the Supplications to the Most Holy Theotokos. Followed by fellowship and light refreshments. The Paraklesis service is a service asking the Panaghia to intercede for us all, as well as people individually. Prayer requests can be submitted in the narthex by writing the names of those living that you wish to pray for on the form, 'For the Health and Salvation...' and placing the prayer request in the basket.

**CLERGY VISITS:**

If there is someone in a hospital, nursing home or homebound, please contact Father Christopher at [frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com](mailto:frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com) or 307.514.5347 to schedule a pastoral visitation.

**CONFESSIONS:**

Please contact Father Christopher at [frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com](mailto:frchristopher@holypostlescheyenne.com) or 307.514.5347 to schedule the Holy Mystery of Confession.

**GREAT VESPERS:**

Each Saturday at 6pm there will be recurring a Saturday Great Vespers service, followed by juice, coffee and fellowship. All are welcome to attend.

**Holy Apostles Updates**

For updates to the Sunday bulletin, submit announcements to Father Christopher no later than **5 pm on Wednesday.**

Please refrain from making announcements in the church following Divine Liturgy. If a ministry group would like an announcement made following Divine Liturgy in the church, please email the announcement to Father Christopher no later than **5 pm on Friday** and he will make the announcements.

We will be updating our website and welcome your contribution. Please feel free to take pictures or video of our parish family and community involvements. Media provided should be clear, well lit, in focus, and emailed to Mrs. Laura Bobo James at [office@holypostlescheyenne.com](mailto:office@holypostlescheyenne.com).

**VISIT THE HOLY APOSTLES BOOKSTORE:** If you haven't been to the bookstore lately, please stop by! New items are arriving daily. We just received a shipment this week with some visor clips, cross lapel pins, new icons, and jewelry. Instructions for how to make a purchase are posted in the bookstore, or if you have a question please ask Adrienne. I bet she will even make you a cup of coffee while you shop!

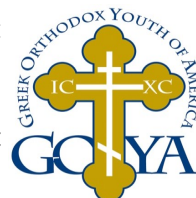


**Coming Soon .....Mark Your Calendar!**

**WOMEN'S STUDY:** Beginning in September, the Women's Groups will try alternating day time and evening sessions to accommodate more ladies. In October, Monday the 2nd will be at 10:00 am and Monday the 16th will be at 7:00 pm.

**Please join us for Philoptochos!** Philoptochos next meets on Sunday, October 22 following Liturgy. Please come and find out how we can grow our giving within our community. Mark your calendars for a Philoptochos Brunch Fundraiser on November 5, Christmas Dinner Meeting on November 28, and participating in the Tables Extraordinaire event at St. Catherine's Church in Greenwood Village, CO. We welcome any and all women in our community.

**2017 GOYA Front Range Day Retreat:** Holy Apostles will host a one day GOYA retreat on Saturday, November 4. Jenny Stasinopoulos, the Denver Metropolis Youth Director, is coordinating this wonderful event with Father Christopher. Information can be found at <http://youth.denver.goarch.org/regional-retreats>. Registration is now open at <https://app.campdoc.com/!/org/152134/patient/new-profile>.



**GOYA** is collecting items for IOCC Health Kits, please sign up in vestibule.

**Stewardship Meeting** sheets are in the Fellowship Hall, please sign up for one date.

**Parish Directory** is being updated. If you would like to change your photo or information, please change it on the printed draft copy or call the office.

**HOLY APOSTLES LENDING LIBRARY:** Please check out our Lending Library at the Church and check out a book in which you are interested. We have the books color coded so you can easily browse through the subjects which interest you! Also, we would love to add to the Library any Church Books you would like to donate. Please see Kay Pappas with any questions or for donating your books! **Reminder: Please be sure to return your borrowed books and to fill out a return date in Sign-Out Notebook. Thanks.**



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**Church Etiquette:**  **Andithoron (the blessed bread)**

- When receiving Andithoron from the Priest, we should kiss his hand as we receive it. We should then keep it cupped in our hands until we have eaten it. We put both our hands together in the form of a cross and cup them so that we can catch the crumbs.
- If you see a crumb or piece that has fallen to the floor, you should pick it up, kiss it, and either eat it or place it somewhere people do not step.
- We never throw andithoron into a trash can, after all, it's not trash, it's blessed bread! If there is leftover andithoron, it is to be given to the faithful and the crumbs are placed where they may be eaten by the birds.
- Please watch your children as they eat their andithoron so they don't leave it on the pew or other inappropriate places.



## October 15—Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

On the Sunday that falls on or immediately after the eleventh of this month, we chant the Service to the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council, which gathered in Nicaea in 787 under the holy Patriarch Tarasius and during the reign of the Empress Irene and her son, Constantine Porphyrogenitus, to refute the Iconoclast heresy, which had received imperial support beginning with the Edict issued in 726 by Emperor Leo the Isaurian. Many of the holy Fathers who condemned Iconoclasm at this holy Council later died as Confessors and Martyrs for the holy Icons during the second assault of Iconoclasm in the ninth century, especially during the reigns of Leo the Armenian and Theophilus.

## October 16—Longinus the Centurion

This Martyr was in the service of Pontius Pilate at the time of Christ our Saviour's Passion. While standing guard at the Cross and beholding the earthquake and all that came to pass, he cried out with fear, "Truly this was the Son of God" (Matt. 27:54). After the Resurrection, he forsook the military and departed for Cappadocia, his homeland, where he preached Christ. By the agency of Pontius Pilate, Tiberius Caesar had him arrested and beheaded.



## October 18—Luke the Evangelist

This Apostle was an Antiochean, a physician by trade, and a disciple and companion of Paul. He wrote his Gospel in Greek after Matthew and Mark, after which he wrote the Acts of the Apostles, and dedicated both works to Theophilus, who, according to some, was Governor of Achaia. He lived some eighty-six years and died in Achaia, perhaps in Patras, the capital of this district. His emblem is the calf, the third symbolical beast mentioned by Ezekiel (1:10), which is a symbol of Christ's sacrificial and priestly office, as Saint Irenaeus says.

**Holy Apostles Calendar**

**Sunday, October 15**

8:30AM Orthros  
9:30AM Divine Liturgy  
11:30AM Parish Asembly

**Monday, October 16**

7:00PM Women's Group

**Tuesday, October 17**

7:00AM Men's Group Breakfast @ Perkins

**Wednesday, October 18**

11:30AM Assist @ St. Joseph's Food Pantry  
12:00PM Paraklesis

**Saturday, October 21**

6:00PM Great Vespers

**Sunday, October 22**

8:30AM Orthros  
9:30AM Divine Liturgy  
12:00PM Philoptochos Meeting

**Tuesday, October 24**

7:00AM Men's Group Breakfast @ Perkins  
7:00PM Philoptochos Meeting

**Wednesday, October 25**

11:30AM Assist @ St. Joseph's Food Pantry  
12:00PM Paraklesis

**Thursday, October 26**

8:45AM Orthros  
9:30AM Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, October 28**

6:00PM Great Vespers