Holy Apostles
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

1st Sunday of Luke
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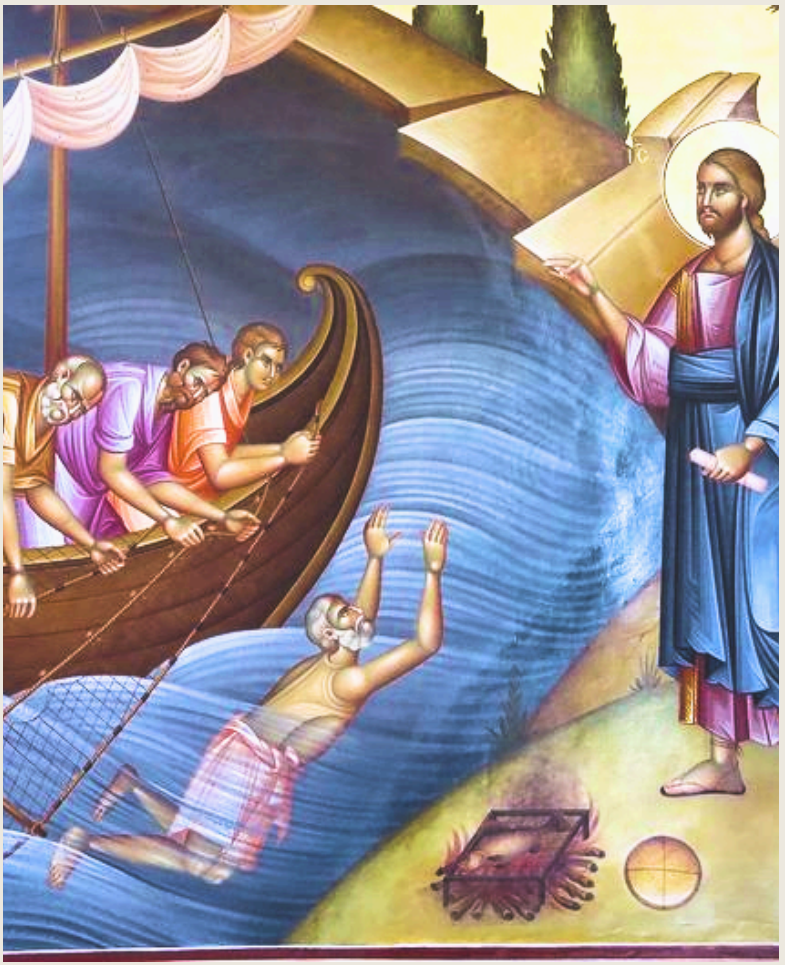
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WELCOME VISITORS
Whether you are an Orthodox Christian new to the area or this is your first time visiting an Orthodox Church, we warmly welcome you to Holy Apostles. We are so glad you are here. If you have any questions, an usher or greeter would be glad to help.

HOLY COMMUNION
Holy Communion is offered to baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians who have prepared through fasting and prayer. At the close of the service, please come up to receive antidoron (blessed bread) which is offered to all.

A GUIDE TO THE SERVICE
The Divine Liturgy begins on page 19 of the hymnal at your seat. This bulletin contains elements of the service that change weekly, including variable hymns, readings, and prayers.



Growing Christ's Church
Nourishing a Community of Love

Holy Apostles is a community of love and transformation in Christ. Our mission is to be an extended village, welcoming and encouraging both adults and children to participate in the Orthodox Christian Faith, as we grow together, like the Holy Apostles, to know, love and serve Jesus Christ.

Orthros Gospel: Luke 24:36-53 **Mode pl. 4**

Saints and Feasts

The 1st Sunday of Luke; the Holy Martyr Callistratus and those with him

Resurrectional Apolytikion *(Hymnal p. 127)*

From on high you descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our life and resurrection. Glory to you, O Lord.

The Antiphons

The First Antiphon
Refrain after each verse:

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

The Second Antiphon
Refrain after each verse:

Save us, O Son of God, Who rose from the dead; save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

The Third Antiphon
After each verse:

Resurrectional Apolytikion
See above

The Small Entrance

Priest: "Wisdom. Let us be attentive!" (Σοφία, ὀρθοί! | Sofía, orthí!)
People: Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who rose from the dead; save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion *(see above)*

Apolytikion of the Martyrs *(Choir)*

Your Martyrs, O Lord, were worthily awarded by You the crowns of incorruption, in that they contested for You our immortal God. Since they possessed Your power, they defeated the tyrants, dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. O Christ God, at their fervent entreaties, save our souls.

Apolytikion of Holy Apostles *(Hymnal inside front cover)*

O holy Apostles, intercede with the merciful God, that He may grant to us forgiveness for our sinful souls.

Ordinary Kontakion *(Hymnal p. 225)*

O unfailing protection of Christians, and our faithful advocate before the Creator: though we are sinners, do not ignore our entreaty; but in your goodness, grant your timely help to us who appeal to you in faith. Quickly make intercession; on our behalf make speedy supplication, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you.

The Epistle

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 75

Reader: Pray and return to the Lord Your God.
Verse: *In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.*

St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

The Holy Gospel

The Reading is from the Gospel of Luke 5:1-11

At that time, while Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them.
And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Wisdom from the Fathers and Mothers

St. Gregory Palamas

You should venerate not only the icon of Christ, but also the similitude of His cross. For the cross is Christ's great sign and trophy of victory over the devil and all his hostile hosts; for this reason they tremble and flee when they see the figuration of the cross.

Nikolaos P. Vassiliadis

While, before the coming of Christ and the economy of the Cross, the name of death was fearsome, now its name is sleep, dormition or transfer (metastasis), and it is sweet, since it contains the profound hope of resurrection.

Unless otherwise specified, events take place at Holy Apostles. For more information, please see website calendar and events page: holyapostlesgo.org/calendar

A memorial is offered today in loving memory of Irene Penco, beloved grandmother of Sasha Penco & Helen Miller. It has been 33 years since her passing.
✚ May her memory be eternal ✚

Holy Communion— As you approach to receive Holy Communion, please help Fr. Rob by stating your baptismal name when he says, "The servant of God..." This simple practice is helpful and appreciated.

Building Safety and Children — During the remodel, please be extra attentive and do not allow children to wander into any construction areas.

Bible Study— Wednesday, Sep 30 • 12:00 PM-1:00 PM • Online via Zoom: 838 6157 6484 — Josh Ensley facilitates weekly Bible online study. Find more info: holyapostlesgo.org/events

Orthodoxy 101 — Wednesday, Sep 30 • 7:00 PM-8:30 PM — Join us for an 8-week Introduction to Orthodoxy course. Info: holyapostlesgo.org/events

Eight Dates: Essential Conversations for a Lifetime of Love — Thursday, Oct 1 • 6:30 PM-7:45 PM — This eight-session online series helps Orthodox couples at any stage strengthen communication and build lasting connection. www.familywellnessministry.org/eight-dates/

Holy Apostles Sunday School — Love kids and sharing the beauty of Christ's Church? Holy Apostles is re-launching Sunday School as soon as our building allows! We are seeking teachers, co-teachers, and substitutes for our friendly, supportive team. Interested? Please reach out to Tammie Duskin, Erica Strauss, or email youth.ed@holyapostlesgo.org.

Seattle Greek Festival at St. Demetrios — Friday, Oct 2 - Sunday, Oct 4 • St Demetrios, 2100 Boyer Ave E — Join our sister parish for their annual Greek Fest. Homemade Greek delicacies, live music, dancing & church tours.

St. Spiridon Church Bazaar — Saturday, Oct 3 •11 AM–5 PM & Sunday, Oct 4 •12 PM–4 PM • St. Spiridon Orthodox Cathedral, 1310 Harrison St. — Annual fall bazaar featuring traditional food, crafts, and fellowship.

Nourishing Network Meal Packing — Tuesday, Oct 6 • 6:30 PM-7:30 PM • Edmonds Heights K12 School, 23200 100th Ave W, Edmonds, WA — Fun, fast-paced volunteer opportunity. Come pack meals for food-insecure kids in the Edmonds School District.

Fr. Tom's Retirement Party
Save the date! Saturday, Nov 7th from 5:00-8:30 PM at Three Holy Hierarchs in Mountlake Terrace. Tickets will go on sale soon for a celebration of Fr. Tom's 27 years of pastoral ministry at Holy Apostles. We hope you will be able to join us.



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