



Holy Apostles
ORTHODOX CHURCH

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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 each week, including the 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: John 20:19-31

Mode pl. 4

Saints and Feasts

The 9th Sunday of Matthew; Translation of the Relics of Stephen the Protomartyr; Holy Glorious New Martyr Theodore of Dardanelles; Phocas the Martyr; Plegmund, Archbishop of Canterbury

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, ὁρθοί! | 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 St. Stephen the Protomartyr (Choir)

O Stephen, a crown of royalty was laid on your head for contests you courageously endured for Christ our God, as first among Martyr saints. You refuted the ravings of the Jews who accused you, and you saw your Savior at the right hand of the Father. We pray that you will ever entreat Him to save our souls.

Apolytikion of Holy Apostles (Hymnal inside cover)

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

Kontakion of the Transfiguration (Hymnal p. 285)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, showing Your disciples as much of Your glory as they could bear, so that when they see You crucified they will know that You suffer freely, and they will tell all the world that You are truly the radiance of the Father.

The Epistle

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 75

Reader: Pray and return to the Lord Your God.

Verses: *In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.*

St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 3:9-17

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder, I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it.

For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw — each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because

it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

The Holy Gospel

The Reading is from the Gospel of Matthew 14:22-34

At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was out on the sea, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear."

And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the strong wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they entered the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

Wisdom from the Fathers and Mothers

St. Gregory of Sinai

The principle and source of the virtues is a good disposition of the will, that is to say, an aspiration for goodness and beauty. God is the source and ground of all supernal goodness. Thus the principle of goodness and beauty is faith or, rather, it is Christ, the rock of faith, who is principle and foundation of all virtues. On this rock we stand and on this foundation we build every good thing (cf. I Cor. 3:11).

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

Holy Communion— As you approach to receive Holy Communion, please help Fr. Tom by stating your baptismal name when he says, "The servant of God..." Even though Fr. Tom knows many of your names, this simple practice is helpful and appreciated.

Fellowship Hour — Coffee hour is back! We are excited to be able to offer a very simple Coffee Hour. Thank you for your patience and flexibility over these past several months as we've navigated the remodel.

Dormition Fast — Saturday, Aug 1 - Saturday, Aug 15 — Prepare your heart for the Dormition of the Theotokos with two weeks of prayer and fasting to draw closer to the Mother of God.

Paraklesis for the Theotokos — Monday Aug 3rd, Wednesday Aug 5th and Friday Aug 7th. • 6:00 PM-7:00 PM — Offer praise and petition to the Mother of God for the healing of our souls and bodies.

Feast of The Holy Transfiguration of our Lord — Thursday, Aug 6 • Orthros: 8:30 AM-9:30 AM; Divine Liturgy: 9:30 AM-11:00 AM — Commemorate the Transfiguration of Christ, a revelation of His divine glory and a foretaste of the Kingdom of God.

Vespers for Dormition of the Theotokos at Church of the Assumption — Friday, Aug 14 • 7:00 PM-8:00 PM • Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption, 1804 13th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122, USA — We join our brothers and sisters at the Church of the Assumption in Seattle for Vespers in anticipation of the Dormition of the Theotokos.

Feast of Dormition of the Theotokos at Church of the Assumption — Saturday, Aug 15 • Orthros: 8:45 AM-10:00 AM; Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM — Commemorate the Dormition of the Theotokos.

Construction Reminders

- **Bathrooms** — Bathrooms are located outside, in the building with the metal ramps. Parents, please escort your kids to the bathroom. Please do not lock bathrooms from the inside.

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