



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 21:1-14

Mode 1

Saints and Feasts

The 10th Sunday of Matthew; the Holy Apostle Matthias; Constantine, Patriarch of Constantinople; Euthymios the Hieromartyr, Metropolitan of Rhodes; Afterfeast of the Transfiguration; Anthony the Martyr of Alexandria

Resurrectional Apolytikion (Hymnal p. 99)

Although Your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Savior, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day, giving life to all the world. Therefore, O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise You: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ, Glory to Your kingdom, Glory to Your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind.

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 were transfigured on Mt. Tabor; save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

The Third Antiphon
Apolytikion of the Transfiguration

(Hymnal p. 221 or see below)
When You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God...

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 the Transfiguration (Hymnal p. 221)

When You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, You showed Your disciples Your glory as far as they could bear. So now, for us sinners also, let this same eternal light shine forth through the prayers of the Theotokos. O Giver of light, glory to You.

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 1. Psalm 32

Reader: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we hope in You.

Verses: *Rejoice greatly in the Lord, O righteous ones; praise is fitting for the upright.*

St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands.

When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

The Holy Gospel

The Reading is from the Gospel of Matthew 17:14-23

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly.

Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they abode in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day."

Wisdom from the Fathers and Mothers

St. John Chrysostom

Here Christ is not speaking of that faith which believes in Him undoubtingly and knows Him to be true God, but of the faith (needed) to work miracles. If ye have faith, He said, so exceedingly warm and burning as a grain of mustard seed (for these are its qualities), and if it is believed without a doubt that ye will perform signs, then ye will receive such power, that if ye desire to move the very mountains, ye will move them.

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 10th and Wednesday 12th. • 6:00 PM-7:00 PM — Offer praise and petition to the Mother of God for the healing of our souls and bodies at the beautiful Paraklesis service.

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 — We will commemorate the Dormition of the Theotokos, celebrating her bodily assumption into heaven and the promise of eternal life.

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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