



Holy Apostles  
ORTHODOX CHURCH

*Holy Pentecost*

MAY 31, 2026



## 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.

# Holy Apostles Orthodox Church

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## SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

**Orthros** · 8:30 AM

**Divine Liturgy** · 9:30 AM

See online calendar at  
[HolyApostlesGo.org/calendar](http://HolyApostlesGo.org/calendar)  
for all upcoming services and events.

## JURISDICTION

Holy Apostles is a parish under the jurisdiction of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America in full communion with the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople.



## 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.

Please join us after the service for fellowship and a light coffee hour. We look forward to meeting you! Look for the visitors table and we will make sure to connect with you.

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 mostly contains those elements of the service that change each week, including the hymns, readings, and prayers appointed for this Sunday.

## STAY IN TOUCH

Visit our website, [HolyApostlesGO.org](http://HolyApostlesGO.org), for our online calendar, events, news, and ministry information. Follow links to watch our livestream, listen to the parish podcast, read the monthly e-Bulletin and more!

*Holy Apostles is an English-language parish within the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese. Some hymns and refrains are repeated in Greek. You will find the Greek text for most of these in the hymnal, on the page facing the English text.*

## COMMON PHRASES OF WORSHIP IN GREEK

Lord, have mercy  
Κύριε, ἐλέησον  
Kýrie, eléison

To You, O Lord  
Σοί, Κύριε  
Sí, Kýrie

Glory to You, O God  
Δόξα σοι, ὁ Θεός  
Dóksa si, o Theós

Grant this, O Lord  
Παράσχου, Κύριε  
Paráschou, Kýrie

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal  
Ἅγιος ὁ Θεός, Ἅγιος Ἰσχυρός, Ἅγιος Ἀθάνατος  
Ágios o Theós, Ágios Ischyros, Ágios Athánatos

Let us pray to the Lord  
Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν  
Tu Kyríu deithómen

**Orthros Gospel:** John 20:19-23**Mode:** Plagal 4th (Tone 8) — Festal**Saints and Feasts**

Holy Pentecost; Hermias the Martyr at Comana; Eustathios, Patriarch of Constantinople; Eusebius and Haralambos the Monk-martyrs

**Apolytikion of Pentecost***Hymnal p. 173*

Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You made wise men of poor fishermen by sending down upon them Your Holy Spirit, and through them You caught the whole world. O Lover of mankind, glory to You!

*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 gracious Paraclete. Save us who sing to You, Alleluia.

**The Third Antiphon***After each verse:*

**Apolytikion of Pentecost**  
*See above*

*The Small Entrance*

**Priest:** “Wisdom. Let us be attentive!” (Σοφία, ὀρθοί! | Sophia, orthi!) “Lord, be exalted in Your strength. We will sing and praise Your power.”

**People:** “Save us, O gracious Paraclete. Save us who sing to You, Alleluia.”

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**Kontakion of Pentecost***Hymnal p. 281*

When He came down and confused the tongues of men, the Most High divided the nations. But in sending forth parted tongues of flame He called all mankind to unity, that with one accord we might glorify His all-Holy Spirit.

**Instead of the Trisagion Hymn***Hymnal p. 293*

As many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have clothed yourselves in Christ. Alleluia. (3)

## *The Epistle*

### **Prokeimenon. Tone 8. Psalm 18**

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

**Verse:** The heavens declare the glory of God; the firmament shows the creation of His hands.

### **Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were

bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

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## *The Holy Gospel*

### **The Reading is from the Gospel of John 7:37-52; 8:12**

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nikodemos, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

*The Liturgy of the Faithful***Megalynarion of Pentecost***Hymnal p. 311*

You conceived and gave birth in virginity; the Word who created all, through you became incarnate. O Mother who knew not man, Virgin Theotokos, the boundless One was held by you, the dwelling of your infinite Creator; we magnify you.

**Communion Hymn of Pentecost***Hymnal p. 322*

Let Your good Spirit lead me along a path that is sure, a path that is sure and straight.

Τὸ Πνεῦμά σου τὸ ἀγαθὸν ὁδηγήσει με ἐν γῆ εὐθείᾳ.

To Pnévma su to agathón odigísi me en gi efthía.

**Post-Communion Hymn***Hymnal p. 173*

Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You made wise men of poor fishermen by sending down upon them Your Holy Spirit, and through them You caught the whole world. O Lover of mankind, glory to You!

*The Lord's Prayer**Hymnal p. 77***English**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done, on earth  
as it is in heaven.

Give us this day  
our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive  
those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

**Ελληνικά**

Πάτερ ἡμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς  
ἀγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου,  
ἐλθέτω ἡ βασιλεία σου,  
γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου,  
ὡς ἐν οὐρανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.

Τόν ἄρτον ἡμῶν τόν ἐπιούσιον  
δος ἡμῖν σήμερον·  
καὶ ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν,  
ὡς καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀφιέμεν  
τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν·  
καὶ μὴ εἰσενέγκης ἡμᾶς εἰς πειρασμόν,  
ἀλλὰ ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ.

**Greek Transliteration**

Páter imón o en tis ouranís,  
agiasthító to ónomá Sou;  
elthéto i vasilía Sou;  
genithító to thélimá Sou,  
os en ouranó ke epi tis ghis.

Ton árton imón ton epiouision  
dos imín símeron;  
ke áfes imín ta ofelímata imón  
os ke imís afíemen  
tis ofilétes imón;  
ke mi isenégis imás is pirasómón,  
ala ríse imás apó tou poniroú.

*Post Liturgy***Stewardship Prayer***Hymnal p. 362*

Lord Jesus Christ, our God, accept our offerings as You accepted the gifts of Your people throughout the ages. We offer these gifts to Your glory, for the support of the ministries of Your holy Church, for the alleviation of suffering and hunger, and for the proclamation of Your Gospel to the whole world. Grant us Your blessing, Lord our Savior, that we may always be faithful stewards, continuing to share the gifts You have given us, by the power of Your grace, mercy and love. May your name be glorified forever. Amen.

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*Wisdom from the Fathers and Mothers***St. John Chrysostom***Homily 51 on John 7, 4th Century*

For as thirsty men, when they have taken a bowl, eagerly drain it and then desist, so too they who hear the divine oracles if they receive them thirsting, will never be weary until they have drunk them up. For to show that men ought ever to thirst and hunger, “Blessed,” It said, “are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness” (Matt. 5:6).

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*“...Out of His Heart Shall Flow Rivers of Living Water”***Fr. George Parsenios, Diakonia**

Today’s Gospel reading refers to the gift of the Spirit, which had not yet been given during Jesus’ ministry because Jesus had not yet risen from the dead. That gift was bestowed upon believers on the day of Pentecost, the great feast that we celebrate today. And the gift of the Spirit changes the disciples. Only after Pentecost did the disciples fully understand the mission of Jesus and become fully empowered to share the Gospel throughout the world.

Every Christian is given this same gift of the Spirit in our baptism. Like the disciples at Pentecost, we must ourselves come to understand more fully the mission of Jesus and we must share his Gospel in our own lives. And this requires effort. We are given the Spirit at baptism, but we must receive it through our own decisions and actions. Church history is littered with Christians who did not make this effort.

When St. Paul writes First Corinthians, he tells the Christians in Corinth that he cannot address them as people who have received this Spirit (1 Cor 3:1) but as infants in Christ and as people who do not understand their Christian identity.

How do we avoid their immature fate? We can do three things. First, we must guard our words carefully. If we watch what we say, we ensure that we say things that draw ourselves and others closer to God. Second, we must continue to live ascetical lives. By fasting and praying and giving generously to others, we arrest our own selfish wills and ensure that we subject our will to the will of God. Finally, we must study our faith so that we understand not only who God is, but what his purpose is for our lives.

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

### Fellowship Hall Temporary Closure

Due to building construction needs, we are temporarily losing access to the fellowship hall. Consequently, Fellowship/Coffee Hour is canceled on the following Sundays: May 17, 24, and 31. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we move closer to completing this project.

### Care Ministry Request: Diana Plumis

Diana Plumis is recovering from a knee injury and welcomes visitors and meals. Sign up to bring a meal at [mealtrain.com/v6d56y](http://mealtrain.com/v6d56y).

### Nourishing Network Meal Packing

Tuesday, June 2 • 6:30–7:30 PM • 23200 100th Ave W, Edmonds

Fun, fast-paced volunteer opportunity. Come pack meals for food-insecure children in the Edmonds School District.

### Bible Study (Online)

Our Wednesday Online Bible Study is taking a break for the summer! Thank you to everyone who participated this year. We will be picking back up and resuming our weekly study in the fall.

### Reminders

- **Community Care** — As we move through this transition, we're asking everyone to help care for one another. Please be attentive to those around you such as making room in the pews, offering guidance if someone looks unsure where to go, and help direct people to the correct entrance. We've added signs to support this, but helping as a community will make the biggest difference. These simple acts of hospitality belong to all of us, not just our ushers. If you need assistance or aren't sure how to help, our Parish Council members are here to support you.
- **Building Entrance** — Due to ongoing construction, we have begun using a temporary new entrance; please follow the concrete walkway around behind the building to join us for services. The Narthex and hall will have limited weekday availability, with full Sunday services and fellowship continuing as usual in our available space. Thank you for your patience and prayers!
- **Bathrooms** — They 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.
- **Fellowship Hour** — Coffee hour has been simplified while we remodel. Please contact your Coffee Hour lead for additional details.
- **Parking** — Please park within designated areas and keep all lot entrances fully accessible. Thank you for being a considerate neighbor and helping our traffic flow smoothly!

### Run for Agape 5K Run/Walk Supporting Camp Agape

Sunday, June 7 • 8:00 AM–12:00 PM • Warren G. Magnuson Park, 7400 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle  
Lace up your shoes on June 7 for the Run for Agape 5K and help support local children with cancer and their families.

### Classic Books Bookclub: Five Little Pigs

Sunday, June 7 • 12:00–1:30 PM  
Our book club will discuss Agatha Christie's classic whodunit, "Five Little Pigs," after Divine Liturgy.

### Holy Apostles Building Fund

Help us reach our \$4.8 million goal. All gifts are gratefully appreciated! Stock gifts and memorial giving are welcome as we build our future together.

Have you filled out your 2026 Stewardship form? Please do!



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