



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: Luke 24:36-53

Mode pl. 1

Saints and Feasts

The 6th Sunday of Matthew; Proclus & Hilary the Martyrs of Ancyra; Our Holy Father Michael of Maleinus; Gerasimos of Byzantium and Akakios the young ascetic; Paisios the Athonite; Veronica, the woman with the issue of blood who was healed by Jesus; Andrew the Commander & his Companion Martyrs

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Hymnal p. 115

To the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation, let us, the faithful, give praise and worship. For he willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to endure death and raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

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 Holy Apostles

Hymnal inside 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. 1. Psalm 11

Reader: You shall guard us, O Lord; You shall preserve us.

Verse: *Save me, O Lord, for the holy man has ceased.*

St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:6-14

Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

The Holy Gospel

The Reading is from the Gospel of Matthew 9:1-8

At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, seeing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say 'Rise and walk'?"

But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" — he then said to the paralytic — "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

Wisdom from the Fathers and Mothers

If your heart is brazenly confident of your works and knowledge, then know that this foreshadows impending tribulation.

+St. Isaac of Syria

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

All Saints Camp High School Session — Today! • All Saints Camp and Retreat Center, 205 Camp Rd NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335, USA — Information and registration links for camp may be found at: <https://allsaintscamp.com>

All Saints Camp Elementary Session — Today! • All Saints Camp and Retreat Center, 205 Camp Rd NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335, USA — Additional information and registration for camp may be found here: <https://allsaintscamp.com>

All Saints Camp Intermediate Session — Sunday, Jul 19 - Sunday, Jul 26 • All Saints Camp and Retreat Center, 205 Camp Rd NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335, USA — Information and registration for camp may be found at: <https://allsaintscamp.com>

Camp Agape: Volunteer Orientation and Set-Up — Saturday, Jul 25 - Monday, Jul 27 • All Saints Camp and Retreat Center, 205 Camp Rd NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335, USA — Help prepare a week of love, laughter, and respite for children with cancer and their families at our Camp Agape volunteer set-up.

Camp Agape at All Saints Camp — Monday, Jul 27 - Sunday, Aug 2 • All Saints Camp and Retreat Center, 205 Camp Rd NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335, USA — Camp Agape Northwest offers a cost-free week of respite and joyful memory-making for children with cancer and their entire families.

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.

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.

Fellowship Hour — Coffee hour has been simplified while we remodel. Please connect with your Coffee Hour Lead for additional details.

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