



ON THE DIVINE LITURGY

Sharing His Presence with the World

What is the last thing that we do at the Divine Liturgy? It isn't coming forward to receive the *antidoron* or to sing a hymn. Then what is it? It's to leave the Church.

We, as God's people, assemble to enter into His Presence and even eat and drink with Him at the Mystical Supper that He has provided us. Then we disperse - in order to take God's Presence into the world. In a very practical way, this means that we're supposed to be **missionaries** of God's Presence and kingdom in the world. This is the heart of being evangelical. We have received His divine gifts - and so we must share them freely with everyone. The Divine Liturgy sums up our entire Christian life. We are empowered to bring the gift of God's loving and compassionate Presence - Christ in the Holy Spirit - to a lost and hurting world torn apart by human cruelty, lust, and greed. This is our mission in life: to serve others by sharing with them the gift of communion with the one, true, and living God. Only then will we discover the true meaning and purpose of our lives.

The final act of receiving is giving.

from Guide to the Divine Liturgy, by Robert Krantz



To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church - and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament - may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread.

Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.

Ss Constantine & Helen

Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific



January 31, 2016

15th Sunday of Luke

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Commemoration of: Cyrus and John the Unmercenary; Arsenios of Parus

Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

Ote katillthes (Hymn of the Day) Tone 2

Ta thavmata ton ayion (Sts. Cyrus and John) Tone 5

You have given us the miracles of Your holy Martyrs as an impregnable fortress, O Christ our God. At their entreaties, frustrate the plots of foreign enemies, and strengthen our nation, for You alone are good and love humanity.

Tou Stavrou Sou (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8

Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross and, like Paul, having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among Kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which you guard in peace forever, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone love mankind.

Kontakion

O mitran parthenikin Tone 1

For our salvation You took flesh and You sanctified the Virgin's womb; You blessed the aged Symeon as You lay resting in his arms; and having come to save us all, O Christ our God, to these troubled times, bring Your lasting peace. Give strong and undaunted faith to all Your people, O only lover of mankind.

Epistle Reading 1st Timothy 4:9-15

TIMOTHY, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

Gospel Reading Luke 19:1-11

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaios; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small

of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaios, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaios stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

Today

Sunday, 1/31– 15th Sunday of Luke; Memorials– Diakonissa Aspasia Diakos (40 days), Nadejda Martinez (40 days), and Helen Potts; Soup Sunday; Adult Religious Education: "Taming the Passions" 12 to 12:40 p.m.

This Week

Tuesday, 2/2– Presentation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ into the Temple: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, 2/7– 16th Sunday of Matthew; Adult Religious Education, a New Series with Dr. Robert Arakaki 12 to 12:40 p.m.

- ✘ **Falling Asleep in the Lord of Helen Anastasopoulos Potts**– With deepest sadness, we announce the "Falling Asleep in the Lord" of our beloved Helen Potts, who departed this life late Tuesday Night, January 26th. Trisagion and Funeral Services will be announced soon. Funeral is tentatively on Friday, February 12th, at 11 a.m. May her memory be eternal!
- ✘ **Soup Sunday**– Today, Sunday, January 31st, Fundraiser for the Aloha Youth Choir, delicious bowl of "FRIENDSHIP" soup and roll for \$5.
- ✘ **Food and Pastries for Sale**– Philoptochos has items available for purchase. Please see details posted on the kitchen door as you reach the top of the social hall stairs.
- ✘ **Moms and the Orthodox Family (AKA Moms and Tots)**- Moms and Grandmothers are welcome to join us for a "Meet and Greet" this coming Tuesday, February 2nd, following services (10:45 a.m.). Regular fellowship will be every Tuesday, 10 a.m. to Noon, unless services are scheduled.
- ✘ **Food and Ancient Christian Faith.** Free workshop with Rita Madden, author of Food Faith and Fasting Sat. Feb. 13, 8am-noon. Holy Theotokos of Iveron Orthodox Church, 845 Queen St. Seating is limited, contact Rita Madden: ritanutrition@gmail.com, ph: 754-8741 to reserve your spot.