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ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, October 1,
2017**

Holy Protection of
Theotokos

Holy Bread

Enosis Touliatos

Ushers

Chris Apalodimas
John Kay

Greeters

Epistle Reader

Patricia Grantham

Coffee Fellowship

Hosted by Elpis
Philoptochos

Welcome to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We are blessed that you have come to our worship service, and hope that you will be both enlightened and inspired. Every Sunday we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are attending an Orthodox Church for the first time, our service may be foreign and perplexing to you. We assure you that everything we do is firmly rooted in the Scriptures. Please feel free to participate to the level that you feel comfortable.

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist – the Lord's Supper – to be, among other things, the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox Faith. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church. *Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a unity with all the dogma and practices of the Orthodox Church, non-Orthodox guests do not receive Holy Communion.* All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the end of the service.

First Antiphon

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us!

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name.

Psalm 102:1

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He has done for you.

Psalm 102:2

Verse 3: The Lord in heaven has prepared His throne, and His kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 102:17

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, Who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord in my life; I will chant unto my God for as long as I have my being.

Psalm 145:1-2

Verse 2: Blessed is He of whom the God of Jacob is his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Psalm 145:5

Verse 3: The Lord shall be King unto eternity; your God, O Zion, from generation to generation.

Psalm 145:10

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Third Antiphon

Apolytikion of the Sunday

Verse: This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Let the heavens and the earth praise Him.

Psalm 117:24; Psalm 68:34

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the Eighth Mode

From on high did You descend, O Compassionate One; to burial of three days have You submitted that You might free us from our passions. O our Life and Resurrection, Lord, glory be to You.

Hymn for Ananias of the 79

Sung after the hymn above in the Third Mode

O Holy Apostle Ananias, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offences.

Hymn for Romanos the Melodist

Sung after the hymn above in the Eighth Mode

In you the image was preserved with exactness, O Father; for taking up your cross, you did follow Christ, and by your deeds you did teach us to overlook the flesh, for it passes away, but to attend to the soul since it is immortal. Wherefore, O righteous Romanos, your spirit rejoices with the Angels.

Hymn of the Annunciation

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery before the Ages. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaims the great grace. Therefore, with him let us cry out unto the Theotokos, "Hail, Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

Seasonal Kontakion

Sung after the hymn above in the Second Mode

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto you: Hasten to intercession and speed you to make supplication, O you who does ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor you.

Sunday, Oct 1, 2017

Holy Protection of Theotokos

St. Ananias, Apostle of the 70

St. Romanos the Melodist

Monday, Oct 2, 2017

Sts. Cyprian & Justina

Sts. Eleutherios & Roustikos

Tuesday, Oct 3, 2017

St. Dionysios the Areopagite

St. John the Chozebite

Wednesday, Oct 4, 2017

St. Hireotheos, Bishop of Athens

St. Domnina & her daughters

Thursday, Oct 5, 2017

St. Charitina the Martyr

St. Methodia of Kimolos

Friday, Oct 6, 2017

St. Thomas the Apostle

St. Eroteis of Cappadocia

Saturday, Oct 7, 2017

Sts. Sergius & Bacchus of Syria

Epistle: II Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1

**Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4.
Psalm 75.11,1**

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Sunday, Oct 1, 2017

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

Monday, Oct 2, 2017

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

Tuesday, Oct 3, 2017

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

Wednesday, Oct 4, 2017

Strict Fast Day (Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.)

Thursday, Oct 5, 2017

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

Friday, Oct 6, 2017

Fast Day (Wine & oil are allowed. Refrain from meat, fish, dairy, and eggs.)

Saturday, Oct 7, 2017

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

Visitation Committee

October: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

November: Connie Cotros, Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

December: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jamison

January: Nancy Tashie, Jan Futris & Tina Liollo

February: Vicki Hoover & Family

March: Linda Nichols & Anne Schmitt

April: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

May: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham, Emily Capadalis Love, Georgia Karris

June: Despina Karas & Angela Tobias

July: Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

August: Stephanie Poplos & Friend

September: Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos

The following members of our parish family have requested visitation. For address and/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the Church Office.

Alec Collis

Diana Mazas

Kosta Taras

Larkin Griffin

Stella Nichols

Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the 2018-2019 Visitation Committee, a ministry of the Elpis Philoptochos.

Announcements

- ◆ **Athenian Dance Troupe Informational Meeting** for Parents of Interested Dancers, Sunday, October 1st, 12:00 Noon in the Library
- ◆ Elpis will be in the Narthex on Sunday taking up a collection for the Social Service Fund. Please make checks to Elpis with “Social Services Fund” in the memo line. If you can’t attend, you can mail your check to Elpis Philop
- ◆ **GOYA Outing**, Sunday, October 1st
 - GOYA will attend the National Civil Rights Museum and reflect on how we can learn from history and avoid the sins of the past.
 - We will meet in the GOYA room immediately after Sunday School, eat lunch, then leave for the museum. We will caravan to the museum, located 450 Mulbury Street. GOYA will pay for the youth’s admission to the museum. Families are welcome to attend.
 - If you are able to carpool, please contact Andrew and Tina Douglas
- ◆ **Library Open**, Tuesday, October 3rd 10:00 am—2:00 pm
 - We now have regular library hours! Pick up something and stop by for a quiet lunch break, Moms with Home Schoolers or little ones please come and let them explore the library. We have a real librarian with books and resources available for all ages. We’d love to see you here!
- ◆ **Bible Study**, Wednesday, October 4th 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **DOP Board Meeting**, Sunday, October 8th, in the Library
- ◆ **Office will be closed for Columbus Day, October 9th.**
- ◆ **Elpis Board Meeting**, Tuesday, October 10th, 6:30 pm in the Library
- ◆ **JOY Event**, Saturday, October 14th, 1:00 pm at Cedar Hill Pumpkin Patch in Hernando, MS. Watch for more details.
- ◆ **DOP General Meeting and Hall Set up**, Saturday, October 14th at 10:00 am in Cotros Hall & Kitchen
- ◆ **DOP Community Breakfast**, Sunday, October 15th, 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **More Than a Meal Cooking & Serving Teams**, Sunday, October 15th, 3:00 pm at Grace-St. Luke’s
- ◆ **School Kit Drive for the Children in Greece.** Sponsored by Elpis Philoptochos & the International Orthodox Christian Charities
 - During the month of October, there will be a table set up in Cotros Hall for supply drop off. For more information visit the table, check the Annunciation Facebook page or see the October Epistle.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, October 1st, Second Sunday of Luke

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† Nursery Open 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Elpis collecting for Social Services Fund in Narthex after Divine Liturgy

† Coffee Fellowship hosted by ELPIS Philoptochos

† GOYA Outing to National Civil Rights Museum. Meet in GOYA Room at 12:00 Noon for lunch then caravan to museum.

† Athenian Dance Troupe Informational Meeting for Parents 12:00 Noon in Library

† Bring School Supplies for Elpis/IOCC School Kit Drive for Children in Greece. Drop off at Table in Cotros Hall.

Tuesday, October 3

† Library Open, 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Sunday, October 8th, Third Sunday of Luke

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† Nursery Open 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Coffee available in Cotros Hall following Divine Liturgy

† Daughters of Penelope Board Meeting in Library 12:00 Noon

Monday, October 9th Columbus Day

† **Office Closed**