

ST. LUKE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

"The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch." Acts 11:26

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Welcome to Saint Luke Orthodox Church!

We're delighted you're here for a visit. Please fill out a visitor card from an usher, and join us for potluck fellowship after the service. We invite all prepared Orthodox Christians to receive Holy Communion. All visitors, catechumens, or penitents may come forward for a blessing & receive the blessed bread from a priest. It's our custom here to welcome new visitors during announcements after Divine Liturgy. If you'd like to be recognized, when the time comes please stand so we know you're here. If you're feeling shy this morning, that's fine too!

Parish Council

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☩ November 26, 2023 ☩

Plagal Fourth (Eighth) Tone — Third Eothinon

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost — Thirteenth Sunday of Luke

Venerable Alypios the Stylite of Adrianople; Nikon the preacher of repentance; Venerable Stylianos of Paphlagonia

Orthros (8 am)

Resurrection Gospel Eothinon 3 (Mark 16:9-20)

Great Doxology (8:55am) - **Tone 3** Page 24

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (9 am) *White Service Book - begins on* Page 30

During the Entrance with the Gospel:

Resurrection Apolytikion-Tone 8: From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee Chanters/All

After the Entrance with the Gospel:

Resurrection Apolytikion-Tone 8: (*see above*) Chanters/All

Apolytikion of St. Luke: Let us praise, etc. Choir/All

Kontakion of Preparation of Christ's Nativity: On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to God the Word ineffably, Who was before all the ages. Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing the gladsome tidings: with the angels and the shepherds now glorify Him Who is willing to be gazed on as a young Child Who before the ages is God..... Clergy

Communion Hymns: "Praise the Lord", "Of Thy Mystical Supper" the "Kontakion of Preparation of Christ's Nativity", and Byzantine Hymns...
..... Choir/Chanters/All

Veneration Hymns: "O What Wonderful Glad Tidings" and Byzantine Hymns
..... Choir/Chanters/All

Lectionary

The Prokeimenon in Tone 8 (Psalm 75)

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

In Judea is God known, His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:1-7)

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, Who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

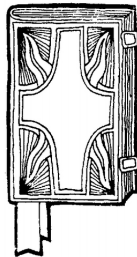
Alleluia Verses in Tone 8 (from Psalm 95)

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord, let us shout with jubilation unto God our Savior.

Let us come before His countenance with thanksgiving, and with psalms let us shout in jubilation unto Him.

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:18-27)

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."



Announcements

Trisagion Hymn, Tone 2

Our choir is learning this ancient tone. This version is the traditional setting used with multiple clergy serving, most especially when a bishop is here. We're hoping that Metropolitan Saba will visit Colorado sometime soon. Music available in the Narthex. Please join the choir.

Additional Weekday Divine Liturgy

Variable days and times offered in November. Please check our calendar.

No Sunday School for Adults, Children and Youth today

Next Sunday, December 3, Sunday School welcomes Guest Speaker for All: Fr. Simon Menya, Northern Uganda Self Sufficiency Project. Children and Youth will be dismissed after 15 minutes for Pageant Practice in the Temple.

Appeal for Charity from Metropolitan Saba

November 12 is designated as the day to begin collecting aid throughout our Archdiocese for our brethren at the Patriarchate of Jerusalem, and to partake in the relief of their suffering while demonstrating the Christian communion of humanity in times of affliction. The Archdiocese will continue to collect aid for one month. Write a check with memo "Archdiocese Charity Appeal" or contribute on EasyTithe: <https://tinyurl.com/patriarchaterelief> or use QRcode.



Lakota Christmas Outreach

Once again St. Luke is blessed to share the Nativity Season with our neighbors to the north. We will send needed items to Nancy LaPointe, Wraparound Care Coordinator at Sinte Gleska University Family Program on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota. We order gifts, food, personal hygiene items, and cleaning supplies through Amazon. Amazon delivers directly to the University. Please give your check donation directly to Bee Sturgis or make it out to St. Luke with memo: "Lakota Outreach". The outreach will be held November 1st through December 10th. Gifts ordered as donations are received.

School Sponsorship for St. Nektarios Nursery and Primary School, Akonyibedo Village, Gulu, Uganda

In 2023, Lift Up Uganda began a school sponsorship program with 40 St Luke families on a trial basis. It was a huge success for the 40 girls and boys who received 3 terms of tuition plus a uniform. Parents/guardians were so grateful for an uninterrupted school year. Parents/guardians did their share by providing food and other Requirements. As a bonus, the children learned new literacy skills to exchange letters with their donors. All 40 students did well this year and will advance to the next grade level when the first term of school begins February 5, 2024. Education is a tremendous gift to a poor child. Please consider sponsoring a child in 2024. The one time cost is \$150 for 3 terms of tuition and a uniform. Deadline is December 15. Please contact Sue Nelson at ssnelson22@aol.com.

Adult Education Class Thursdays at 10:30a

Fr. Dan teaches on the Early Church Fathers. All welcome.

Volunteers Needed for Decorating for Christmas

We will begin decorating the church for Christmas Saturday, December 2, from 10 am to 2 pm. Please let Frances know if you can help. admin@stlukeorthodox.org.

Do you love to sing?

Please see Denise McIntyre if you are interested in joining Choir.

Help Wanted for Ministry Teams

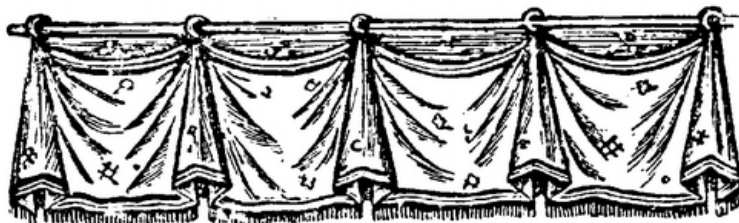
Coffee Fellowship Ministry, Building Maintenance Teams are recruiting volunteers. See Frances.

Advent Retreat with Mother Melania Save the Date

Everyone is invited to our Advent Retreat Dec 8-9, 2023. The speaker is Mother Melania, Abbess of Holy Assumption women's monastery in Calistoga, CA. She will be speaking on the following topics: *On Friday evening, for the women's group:* "The Theotokos as Virgin Mother, Queen, and Champion Leader". *On Saturday, open to all:* "Living the Beatitudes", "The Three Powers of the Soul (Nous, Appetitive / Desiring, and Angering / Spirited)", "One Christian Life, Two Ways to Live It -Marriage and Monasticism". Sign-up for both Friday evening and Saturday here: <http://bit.ly/StLuke2023Advent>

Hail Storm Expenses

Donations requested to meet additional expenses due to the recent hail storm. Contribute with check or <https://app.easytithes.com/app/giving/stlukeorthodox>. Please note in memo: "Hail Storm".





Weekly Schedule

Nativity Fast continues

Tuesday, November 28

6:00pm OCF meeting, CU Ketchum 1B64

Wednesday, November 29

5:30pm Divine Liturgy & Fasting Potluck

Thursday, November 30

10:30am Adult Education Class

Saturday, December 2

9:00am Myrrhbearers Meeting

10:00am Christmas Decorating

2:30pm Catechism Class

4:00pm Great Vespers

Sunday, December 3

8:00am Orthros

9:00am Divine Liturgy & Potluck Fellowship

11:00am Sunday School for All: Special Guest and Nativity Pageant practice

