

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

Peter Mustian, *Chairman*

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☩ January 28, 2024 ☩

Tone One — First Eothinon
Thirty-first Sunday after Pentecost & Fourteenth Sunday of Luke
Our Righteous Father Ephraim the Syrian

Venerable Palladios of Antioch; Venerable Theodosios of Totma

Orthros (8 am)

Resurrection Gospel Eothinon 1 (Matthew 28:16-20)

Great Doxology (8:55am) - Tone 1 Page 24

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

During the Entrance with the Gospel:

Resurrection Troparion-Tone 1: While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind..... Chanters

After the Entrance with the Gospel:

Resurrection Troparion-Tone 1: (*as above*) Chanters

Troparion of St. Ephraim the Syrian-Tone 3: Out of Paradise, a river floweth, flooding all the earth with joy unending, cheering souls with compunction and saving fear: Ephraim, the wine bowl of gladness inspired of God, from all eternity chosen to light the Church with his sacred hymns, his sermons, his shining canticles, whereby he filleth faithful souls with godliness. Chanters

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

Kontakion of the Presentation of Christ-Tone 1: Thou Who didst sanctify the Virgin’s womb by Thy birth, And didst bless Symeon’s hands as was meet, by anticipation hast even now saved us, O Christ God. But grant peace in the midst of wars unto Thy commonwealth and strengthen the hierarchs whom Thou hast loved, O only Friend of man Clergy

Communion Hymns: “Praise the Lord”, “You are a vineyard”, “Rejoice O Virgin”, “Magnifications in 9th Ode”, and Byzantine Hymns Choir/Chanters/All

Veneration Hymns: “O Pure Virgin”, and Byzantine Hymns
..... Choir/Chanters/All

☞ Lectionary ☞

Prokeimenon in Tone 1 (Psalm 32)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we have hoped in Thee.

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise is meet for the upright.

The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to Timothy (1:15-17)

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory to the ages of ages. Amen.

Alleluia Verses in Tone 1 (from Psalms 17)

O God, who givest avengement unto me and hast subdued peoples under me.

It is He that magnifieth the salvation of His king and worketh mercy for His anointed, for David, and for his seed unto eternity.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (18:35-43)

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” And he cried, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, let me receive my sight.” And Jesus said to him, “Receive your sight; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.



☪ Announcements ☪

Sunday School for Adults, Children and Youth

No Sunday School today due to the Annual Meeting. Children and youth will meet in Classroom #4 for a movie and snacks.

Adult Education Class

As Orthodox Christians, we have an appreciation and affection for our Divine Liturgy. The scripture readings, the prayers, and the hymns are spiritually nourishing. We know the Divine Liturgy arose from the Last Supper, but how did it come to be the liturgy we know now? Thanks to historians, the history of the Divine Liturgy is accessible. If you would like to learn about this history, please join us beginning on Thursday, February 1 at 10:30 AM for six weeks. There will be no classes during Great Lent. Fr. Dan will offer a series of classes on the later Church Fathers sometime in the future. All are welcome to the classes.

All Parish Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of voting members will be held in our Parish Hall TODAY after Diving Liturgy. “Voting members” are active in attendance, at least 18 years of age, in sacramental good standing, and support the parish by tithing or giving at least \$1,000 annually (unless special circumstances apply as determined by Fr. Raphael). All are welcome to attend. During the meeting we will elect two voting members to the parish council. Liz Thompson and Mitch Paxton have been nominated for the elected positions. If you wish to nominate from the floor, please contact Fr. Raphael or Peter Mustian for details on this. Fr. Raphael, as pastor, will appoint Rob Bell for another term, our current parish council Treasurer. At the annual meeting we will also approve a budget for 2024. Parish Council will meet on January 9 to review and recommend the new budget, all are welcome.

Please welcome our Youth Director: Mimi Sawaked

Parish Council approved our new staff position of Youth Director. Mimi comes to us from St. Elias where she served as President of Teen Soyo from 2017-2022. For the last several months, Mimi has been a volunteer Youth Worker at St. Luke's. Currently Mimi is earning her Master's at CU Boulder.

Youth Opportunities in 2024

- Interested in attending Project Mexico July 30-Aug. 5 Contact Matt Richardson: cirrusio@pm.me
- Interested in attending Camp St. Raphael June 23-29 or Antiochian Village Camp July 14-26? Fr. Raphael is attending both camps. Registration for AV Camp opens on January 7. Contact admin@stlukeorthodox.org
- Interested in attending Rocky Mountain Orthodox Camp July 22-25. Contact Steve Knudtsen: sknudtsen8@gmail.com

Scholarships available for Camp St. Raphael and AV Camp. See bulletin board or Mimi.

More Precious Than Rubies - Pre-Lenten Retreat for Antiochian Women

Saturday February 17, 2024 from 10 am to 4 pm. See fliers for more information and sign up here: <http://tinyurl.com/AWRubies>

Youth Activities

Mimi Sawaked, our Youth Director, will lead a Saint Study on Wednesday, February 21 after Liturgy during dinner. Also, save the date for the afternoon of Saturday, March 2 for a local hike. Contact Mimi: mimisawaked@gmail.com

The Holy Cross

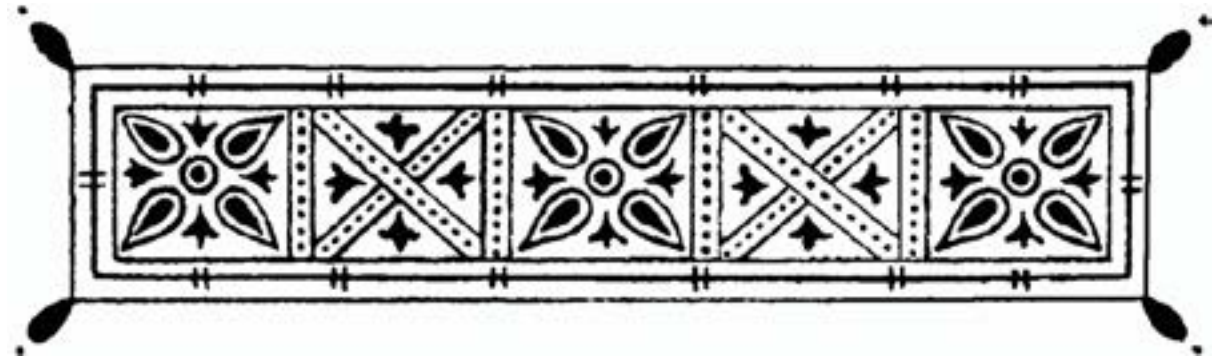
Glory to God! Father Ioannis from Crete will be in the Denver CO, with the Holly Wood of the Precious Holy Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. The blessing will take place at Saint Dimitrie the New Church, at 6060 Puritan Lane, Frederick, CO, 80516. For more information contact Fr. Ioan Bogdan at 440-668-0010 or email: prbogdan@sfdimitrie.org . Blessings may be schedule for Saturday, February 10 or Sunday February 11th. . One person per 5 minutes. If you are a family or a group please reserve for each person a 5 minutes appointment. If you have a severe illness you can schedule two visits.

Temple Cleaning & Usher Teams Need Volunteers

- The Temple Cleaning Team keeps our church clean and tidy. Please contact MaryDel Hiskey if you can help as a substitute: mdhiskey@comcast.net
- The Usher Team welcomes members, friends and guests every liturgy and special service. Please contact Kelly Hesse if you can help: hessfam9@gmail.com

Egypt Pilgrimage

See Fr. David if you are interested in an Orthodox trip to Egypt, Feb. 21 - March 2 (7).



☞ Weekly Schedule ☞

Thursday, February 1

10:30 AM Adult Education

5:30 PM Great Vespers with Lity & Artoklasia followed by potluck

Friday, February 2

8:30 AM Orthros

9:30 AM Liturgy for the Presentation

Saturday, February 3

4:00 PM Great Vespers