

Greek Orthodox Mission Parishof Utah

Sunday, September 28, 2014 1st Sunday of Luke

Orthros: 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Celebrants:
Rev. Fr. Louis J. Christopulos
Dcn. Anatoli Kireiev

Mission Statement: The Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah is a Christ-centered Greek Orthodox Christian parish that welcomes and embraces all Orthodox Christian faithful and all of God's children, regardless of ethnicity and is focused above all else on the faithful worship of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in adherence to the canons, teachings and traditions of the Orthodox Christian faith as part of One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

Welcome Fr. Louis Christopulos: We are blessed to have Fr. Louis J. Christopulos, Protopresbyter of St. Catherine Greek Orthodox Church in Greenwood Village, Colorado as our visiting priest for Divine Liturgy. Fr. Christopulos will be assisted by Dcn. Anatoli.

Epistle Reading – St. Paul's 2^{nd} Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10



Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 28.11. 1

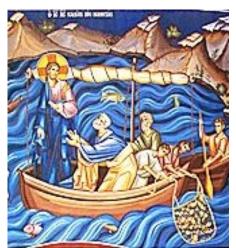
The Lord will give strength to his people.

Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honor and glory.

BRETHREN, working together with him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of

salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Gospel Reading - The Gospel of Luke 5:1-11



At that time, Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

<u>Schedule of Upcoming Services:</u> Our Metropolitan continues to support us and is working out a schedule of clergy coverage so that we can expect a priest to be present the vast majority, and likely all, of the Sundays the next 3 months. If no priest is available on any of these dates, we will hold lay services and Sunday School.

<u>Fellowship Hour:</u> A special thank you to Mary Feotis, Liberty Mudrock and Sophie Wondolowski for hosting this week's post-Liturgy fellowship hour. Please join us!

Sunday School: Students and teachers will be dismissed after Holy Communion for Sunday School. The K3-12th grade classes will meet upstairs. The nursery program will meet in the "Groom's Room" on the first floor (behind the narthex).

<u>Vigil Candles:</u> The Parish Council is working to make vigil candles available to parishioners. Because we only rent the facility on Sundays, however, any remaining candles will have to be extinguished at the conclusion of services. Until we have a permanent church facility, parishioners should plan to take their vigil candles home to burn at their own sanctuary.

<u>National Philoptochos Fundraising Request:</u> The National Philoptochos is asking all chapters to collect money to help those in need of relief in Greece and Cyprus. Because our Parish does not yet have a Philoptochos chapter, please consider donating through one of the Philoptochos chapters affiliated with our sister Parish.

Worship Space: Although we expect to continue our worship at the Woods on Ninth for the time being, we will need to consider a larger venue as interest in our new Parish continues to grow. The Parish Council is assessing various options, but welcomes your input and suggestions. Please contact Chuck Karpakis, Chair of our Real Estate Ministry Team at chuck@paragonproperties.biz or 801-265-0900 if you are aware of any potential venues.

<u>Fall Parish Assembly:</u> Our fall Parish Assembly has been scheduled for Sunday, November 9, 2014 from 2-4p.m. (location TBD).

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 7 p.m. Please contact Dr. Beck at asacbeck@msn.com or 801-573-6800 if you wish to attend so that we can secure a large enough meeting space.

<u>Chanters Welcome:</u> Anyone interested and with prior training in chanting Orthros is welcome to assist us. Please contact Dr. Charles Beck at <u>asacbeck@msn.com</u> or 801-573-6800 for more information.

Stewardship: Our continued thanks to everyone who has submitted their stewardship pledge cards and made stewardship payments to date. Your generosity and support for our new Parish, not only in the form of attendance and volunteerism but also financially, has been overwhelming. We feel very blessed to have such giving and dedicated parishioners in our new Parish.

Stewardship cards are available after Liturgy and can also be found on our website: www.ocpslc.org. Completed cards can be mailed to Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah, c/o Chris Gounaris, Treasurer, P.O. Box 4791, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110, scanned and emailed to treasurer@ocpslc.org, or given to any Parish Council member in a sealed envelope before or after Liturgy. Please make stewardship checks payable to "Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah" and mail them to Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah, c/o Chris Gounaris, Treasurer, P.O. Box 4791, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110, or give them to a Parish Council member in a sealed envelope before or after Liturgy.

<u>Cookbook Fundraiser:</u> Kim Souvall still needs recipes for her cookbook fundraiser! The deadline is October 1, 2014. Include your full name, recipe title and number of servings. Send to kimsouvall@gmail.com or fill out a form during fellowship hour. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of altar boy robes!

Sexton Ministry Team: We still need more volunteers for our Sexton Ministry Team, which will assist in the setup and teardown for our weekly services. Our goal is to get a large enough committee that we can have rotating teams so that no one group has to serve more than one Sunday each month. Please contact Chuck Karpakis at chuck@paragonproperties.biz or 801-265-0900 or Joe Varanakis at joe2263@comcast.net or 801-694-6576 to offer your assistance. In the meantime, those who can help are asked to arrive at The Woods at 8:00 a.m. this Sunday to assist with setup for Liturgy. Please also consider staying after fellowship hour to assist with teardown.

<u>2014 Ministry Teams:</u> Our current Parish Ministry teams are:

- Stewardship Ministry Team
 Co-Chairs: Sophie Wondolowski and Steve Simos
- Finance Ministry Team
 Co-Chairs: Chris Gounaris and Joe Varanakis
- Legal Ministry Team
 Co-Chairs: Michael Petrogeorge and Bruce Shand
- Sexton Ministry Team
 Co-Chairs: Chuck Karpakis and Joe Varanakis
- Communications/PR Ministry Team Chair: Michael Petrogeorge
- Youth and Sunday School Ministry Team Chair: Kim Mallas
- Women's Group Ministry Team: Chair: TBD
- Men's Group Ministry Team Co-Chairs: Steve Simos and Bill Souvall
- Young Adult Ministry Team Chair: Peter Souvall
- Liturgical Supplies Ministry Team Chair: Dr. Charles Beck
- Adult Catechism Ministry Team Chair: TBD
- Real Estate Ministry Team Chair: Chuck Karpakis
- Long Range Planning Ministry Team Chair: Dr. Charles Beck
- Historical Archives Ministry Team Chair: Mark Vrontikis

Please contact the identified Ministry Team Chair(s) if you have not already signed up but wish to offer your time and talent to one or more of these teams.

AHEPA/Daughters of Penelope News: Congratulations to the seven recipients who were awarded scholarships from the AHEPA SLC Beehive Chapter. Jamie Cayias, Sam Adondakis, and Chris Stockslager each received a \$1000 scholarship. Greg Nelson, Yianni Cayias, Andrea Kontgis, and Emily Radivoyevich each received \$500. We are proud of these students from the Salt Lake area Orthodox community and wish them success.

Scholarships will be offered again next year to Salt Lake City area Orthodox students, and the following scholarship fundraisers are currently planned:

- January 10, 2015: FESTIVAL OF TABLES at Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church
- January 31, 2015: *BASILE the Comedian in Concert* at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral

SAVE THESE DATES! More details on both events coming soon.

To join the AHEPA Beehive Chapter contact Jim Klekas at jklekas@aol.com. To join the Daughters of Penelope Charai Chapter contact Vasi Katsikathas at vasikatsikathas@comcast.net.

<u>The Woods on Ninth Reviews:</u> The Parish Council has been pleased with the hospitality and generosity of the Woods on Ninth facility and asks parishioners to consider posting favorable reviews on the following websites:

- Yelp: http://www.yelp.com/biz/the-woods-on-ninth-midvale
- Official Website: http://www.thewoodsonninth.com
- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/TheWoodsOnNinth

<u>Liturgical Items:</u> We are in need of the following liturgical items (among others): a standing cross for the altar table; an antidoron stand, standing candelabras for the front of the iconostasis, processional items (candles, banners, lanterns, fans, poles, etc.). We are checking prices, but please consider whether you would be willing to make a donation so that the Parish may purchase needed items.

<u>Collection Trays:</u> We will no longer pass collection trays during Liturgy or during Sunday School to minimize disturbing our worship experience, except when a special collection is requested by our Hierarchs. Please keep this in mind as you make your offerings in the narthex, and please teach your Sunday Schoolers to place their offerings in the tray on the children's pangari located in the narthex.

Bulletin Announcements: If you would like to have any announcements included in our weekly bulletin, please send them to Michael Petrogeorge at mpetrogeorge@parsonsbehle.com by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Publication is at the discretion of the Parish Council, and will be limited to announcements that are reasonably related to the affairs of the Parish.

<u>Parish Email List:</u> We want to make sure that we are communicating with anyone who has an interest in our new Parish. If you know someone who is not receiving our email communications but may wish to do so, please contact Michael Petrogeorge at 801-243-8684 or mpetrogeorge@parsonsbehle.com.

<u>Memorial Services – May Their Memory Be Eternal</u>: If you would like to schedule a memorial, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at <u>asacbeck@msn.com</u> or 801-573-6800. All scheduled memorials are subject to the availability of a visiting priest.

Prayer List: Adam, Anastasia, Ange, Barbara, Bill, Christopher, George, John, Katherine, Maria, Mary, Matylda, Mitch. Please send any additional names for the Prayer List to Michael Petrogeorge at mpetrogeorge@parsonsbehle.com.