



Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah

**Sunday, October 19, 2014
Third Sunday of Luke**

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

**Celebrants:
Reverend Father James Foreso**

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.

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**Epistle Reading – St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians
11:31-33; 12:1-9**

Prokeimenon. Mode 2. Psalm 117.14,18

The Lord is my strength and my song.

Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.

BRETHREN, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows-and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Gospel Reading - The Gospel of Luke 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and

said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

Hymns at Small Entrance

Resurrection Apolytikion

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You.

Entrance Hymn

Come let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who arose from the dead.

Hymn for the Church

Adorned in the blood of Thy Martyrs through out all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church, through them, doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassions upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy commonwealth, and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion

O Protection of Christians unshamable, mediation with the Creator immovable, we sinners beg you, do not despise the voices of our prayers, but anticipate, since you are good, and swiftly come unto our aid as we cry out to you with faith: Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who defend now and ever those who honor you.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia.

Dismissal Hymn

Preserve him who blesses and sanctifies us, O Lord; preserve him for many years.

Welcome Reverend Father James Foreso: We are blessed to once again have Reverend Father James Foreso from St. Catherine Greek Orthodox Church in Greenwood Village, Colorado with us to celebrate Divine Liturgy.

Pastoral Visitations: Some of our visiting clergy may be available to make pastoral visits to those who have health conditions that prevent them from attending Liturgy. Please contact Dr. Charles Beck at president@gomissionparishut.org or 801-573-6800 to schedule.

Schedule of Upcoming Services:

Sunday, October 26, 2014 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Celebrant: Reverend Hieromonk Father Ambrose Omayas

Sunday, November 2, 2014 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Celebrant: Reverend Father Dimitrios Kyritsis

Sunday, November 9, 2014 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Celebrant: Very Reverend Father Luke Kontgas

If the assigned celebrant is unable to attend as scheduled, and no substitute can be found, we will hold lay services and Sunday School.

Memorial Services:

Today: Dean Petrulas (1 year)

November 2, 2014: Jo Anne Kannes Peterson (10 years)

November 9, 2014: Stylianos Emmanuel Tzeiranakis (3 months)

November 23, 2014: Peter W. (3 years) and Mary Y. Souvall (5 years)

If you would like to schedule a memorial, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at president@gomissionparishut.org or 801-573-6800. All scheduled memorials are subject to the availability of a visiting priest.

Collection Trays: 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.

Notes from Metropolitan Isaiah Regarding Liturgical Etiquette:

Kneeling during the Consecration of the Holy Gifts is encouraged, based on an encyclical from Archbishop Michael and followed since 1952. However, this must be dealt with in a practical manner, and those who cannot kneel may stand. Those who wish to kneel may move to the aisles where there is adequate room to do so if desired. An alternative to kneeling is to bow at the waist or simply stand attentively and prayerfully with head bowed. Remember the principle of Economea and do what you are able to given your physical condition and the limited space in our rows of seating.

The prayers before Communion are meant for the priest to recite but can be recited silently by those prepared to receive Communion. This is preferred to having the entire congregation recite the prayer as some may not be receiving. After Communion, those who have received should recite or offer a prayer of thanksgiving. (The Parish Council will be putting together a handout with these prayers that can be passed out with the Liturgy booklets.)

Fellowship Hour: Thank you to Kay Maragakis, Michael and Angela Petrogeorge and Steve and Elaina Simos for hosting this week's fellowship hour. Please join us!

Chanters Welcome: Anyone interested and with prior training in chanting Orthros is welcome to assist us. Please contact Dr. Charles Beck at president@gomissionparishut.org or 801-573-6800 for more information.

Altar Servers: We invite all young men between the ages of 8 and 18 years old who are interested in serving in the altar to submit their names to a member of the Parish Council so that we can institute a formal Altar Server program and schedule.

Sunday School Pictures: Sunday School pictures will be taken on Sunday, October 26, 2014. Make sure your children and grandchildren are in attendance so they can be depicted in our Parish's inaugural Sunday School yearbook!

Vigil Candles: We now have vigil candles available in the narthex! Because we only rent the facility on Sundays, any remaining vigil candles will have to be extinguished at the conclusion of services. Until we have a permanent church facility, parishioners are encouraged to write their name on the bottom of their vigil candle and to take it home to burn at their own sanctuary.

Fall Parish Assembly: Our Fall Parish Assembly will be held on Sunday, November 9, 2014 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Woods on Ninth reception center. An agenda is forthcoming. Our Parish Bylaws state that a member is in good standing and thereby eligible to vote at the Parish Assembly if he or she has submitted a stewardship commitment card and paid a proportionate share of his or her stewardship commitment through the quarter immediately preceding the Parish Assembly. Because our Parish will have been in existence for just over two months, or 1/6 of the year, at the time of the Parish Assembly, a member will be considered in good standing if he or she has submitted a stewardship commitment card and paid 1/6 of their annual commitment as of the date of the Parish Assembly. Please contact Chris Gounaris at treasurer@gomissionparishut.org or 801-660-9224 if you have any questions regarding your eligibility to vote at the upcoming Parish Assembly.

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 vicepresident@gomissionparishut.org or 801-265-0900 if you are aware of any potential venues.

Women's Ministry Team: Ladies, it's time for us to gather together again for more fun, food and fellowship. Please join us on Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at Sole Mio Ristorante, 8657 S. Highland Dr. Please RSVP to Barbara Hillas at 801-576-8788 or bhillas@q.com or Mary Feotis at 801-277-4436 or mfeotis@gmail.com. We'll take a few minutes to discuss upcoming events in our Parish.

Stewardship: Our continued thanks to everyone who has submitted their stewardship pledge cards and made stewardship contributions 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.

If you made a stewardship contribution, you should have received an email from our Treasurer, Chris Gounaris, acknowledging receipt of your contribution and thanking you for your stewardship. If you made a payment but did not receive such an email, please contact Chris at 801-660-9224 or treasurer@gomissionparishut.org.

Stewardship cards are available after Liturgy and can also be found on our website: www.gomissionparishut.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@gomissionparishut.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.

Recurring Stewardship Payments: Some of our parishioners have inquired into the ability to establish a monthly direct deposit for stewardship payments. Due to the cost and process involved, this option is not viable for our new Parish at this time. Parishioners are encouraged to consider whether the free bill pay services available through their own financial institution will allow for the automatic sending of stewardship checks.

Parish Communications: 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 communications but may wish to do so, or know someone who does not use email and wishes to receive communications via regular mail, please contact Michael Petrogeorge at 801-243-8684 or secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

Weekly Bulletin and Pan-Orthodox Community Announcements:

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

Pan-Orthodox Community Announcements, including announcements from other Orthodox parishes in the Valley and from ethnic-based fraternal and other organizations, will be included in a separately disseminated flier. Announcements for this flier should also be sent to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Sexton Ministry Team: We still need more volunteers for our Sexton Ministry Team. Please contact Chuck Karpakis at vicepresident@gomissionparishut.org or 801-265-0900 or Joe Varanakis at joe2263@comcast.net or 801-694-6576 to offer your assistance.

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on October 19: The Orthodox saints commemorated on Sunday, October 19, 2014 include Joel the Prophet; St. Varys the Martyr; St. John of Rilas; St. John of Kronstadt; St. Ethbin of Brittany; St. Luke the Evangelist.

Prayer List: Adam, Anastasia, Ange, Barbara, Bill, Cathy, Christopher, Connie, George, Helen, Irene, John, Katherine, Maria, Mary, Matylda, Mitch, Tom. Please send any additional names to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

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