



**Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah**  
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**Sunday, July 5, 2015**  
**Fifth Sunday of Matthew**

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

**His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah**  
**Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas**  
**Reverend Deacon 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.

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**Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2**

*Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 103.24,1*

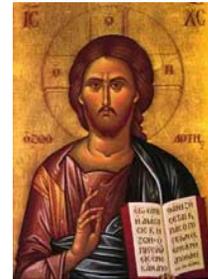
*O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.*

*Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.*



Brethren, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us have no self-conceit, no provoking of one another, no envy of one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Look to yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

**Gospel Reading: The Gospel of Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1**



At that time, when Jesus came to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one would pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged him, "If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And he said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city.

**Hymn at Small Entrance**

*Resurrectional Apolytikion*

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the

joyful message of the Resurrection and had rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

#### *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 Saint**

Angelic hosts on high were filled with wonderment, seeing your life in the flesh: how with your body you courageously went out to wrestle with invisible foes; and to the demonic hordes you inflicted serious wounds. Therefore, Athanasios, you received from the Master Christ, a wealth of gifts. Holy Father, intercede on our behalf with Christ our God, to save our souls.

#### **Hymn for the Church**

Adorned in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout 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.

#### **The PHEME (Bishop's Anthem) for Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver**

Isaiah the most-reverend and God-chosen Metropolitan of the Holy Metropolis of Denver, our father and chief shepherd: many years!

#### **Communion Hymn**

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

#### **Dismissal Hymn**

Τον Δεσποτην και Αρχιερεα ημων, Κυριε φυλαττε. Εις πολλα ετη, Δεσποτα. Εις πολλα ετη, Δεσποτα. Εις πολλα ετη, Δεσποτα.

**Orthodox Saints Commemorated on July 5:** Venerable Athanasius of Mount Athos, New Martyrs Elizabeth the Grand Duchess with Nun Barbara & their companions; Venerable Lampadus the Wonderworker; New Martyr Kyprianos of Mount Athos; Martyrs Zoe & Anna of Rome, Hieromartyrs Stephen and Suerus and those with them at Calabria; Martyr Cyrilla of Cyrene in Libya; and Edana the Anchoress of Tuarnia.

**Welcome Metropolitan Isaiah and Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas:** Our Parish is blessed to enjoy its second visit from His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah and his first visit to our new Church. Metropolitan Isaiah will be joined by Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas from the Metropolis of Denver. Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev will serve with His Eminence and Father Ambrose.

**Altar Server News:** The scheduled altar servers this week are Andy Adondakis, Luke Varechok and Thanasi Johnson, but all altar boys are welcome to serve with His Eminence this week. The scheduled altar servers for Sunday, July 12, 2015, are Jacob Pananos, Zachary Petrogeorge and Jonathan Petrogeorge.

If your son is at least 8 years old, is entering the third grade or above in the fall and is interested in serving in the altar, please contact Michael Petrogeorge at [secretary@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:secretary@gomissionparishut.org). No experience necessary!

You may have noticed that we have a new altar assistant that has been helping in the altar the past few weeks. Alexander Nicholas recently moved to Salt Lake from Reno, Nevada. Alexander is an engineer working at Hill Air Force Base. We are blessed and grateful to have Alexander and his stewardship of time and talent in our Parish.

**Fellowship Hour:** In lieu of our regular fellowship hour today, the Parish, with the assistance of the Women's Ministry Team, will host a luncheon for His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah. Please join us!

If you would like to host a fellowship hour, please contact Sophie Wondolowski at [swondo@comcast.net](mailto:swondo@comcast.net).

**Memorial Services:** If you would like to schedule a memorial service, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at [president@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:president@gomissionparishut.org) or 801-573-6800.

**Scheduling Sacraments:** Please contact Dr. Charles Beck at [president@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:president@gomissionparishut.org) or 801-573-6800 if you would like to schedule a sacrament at our Parish so that the Parish Council can assist in determining whether the Church and related facilities are available, and in making arrangements for one of our visiting priests to perform the sacrament. Communication with Dr. Beck is particularly important if you would like to schedule a baptism or other sacrament after Liturgy on a Sunday in a manner that may impact our regular service and/or fellowship plans.

**Parish Council Meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 20, at 6:30 p.m.

**Thank You:** A special thank you to Fr. Michael Tervo from St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church in Bellingham, Washington, and Deacon Dimitri Burikas from St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church in Des Plaines, Illinois, for serving with Father Ambrose Omayas on Sunday, June 14, 2015, and to Athanasios Minetos, chanter at the Archdiocese Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in New York, New York, for assisting Leo Davis that day. Thank you also to Gregory Floor, chanter at the Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church in Lowell, Massachusetts, for assisting Leo Davis this past Sunday, June 28, 2015. We are truly blessed to have the support and assistance of those visiting our Parish!

**Women's Ministry Team Food Drive:** The Women's Ministry Team will collect food for the Utah Food Bank the third week of every month. The next collection will occur on Sunday, July 19, 2015. Please save everything you would like to contribute and bring it to church on the third Sunday of every month. Eventually, the group would like to start a food pantry, but we need to start by collecting and donating to the Utah Food Bank first. Please help us and those in the area who need a helping hand. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Daskalas

at 801-883-9494. Handouts identifying the types of food that are accepted by the Utah Food Bank are available in the narthex. Thanks so much!

**Mission Parish Pan-Orthodox Fishing Trip at Strawberry Reservoir:** Our Parish is organizing a Pan-Orthodox fishing trip to Strawberry Reservoir, which will take place on Thursday, July 16, 2015, through Sunday, July 19, 2015. This event is for interested Orthodox Christians in any of our local parishes and non-Orthodox guests are always welcome. Bring your motor home, trailer or tent and join us in the campground, or stay in the Strawberry Lodge. For room, boat and slip rentals, contact the Lodge directly at 435-548-2500 or [www.strawberrybay.com](http://www.strawberrybay.com). There will be a group prime rib dinner at the Lodge on Thursday evening, as well as group dinners on Friday and Saturday evenings at the campground. Come enjoy fellowship and create some fishing memories! For registration forms, email Chuck Karpakis at [chuck@paragonproperties.biz](mailto:chuck@paragonproperties.biz). All forms must be completed and returned no later than Thursday, July 9, 2015. This is a great event for the whole family!

**Save the Dates - One Year Anniversary Weekend:** Our Parish will celebrate its first anniversary with the following events:

*Saturday, September 5, 2015:*

6:00 p.m. Anniversary Banquet in the large banquet hall at St. Thomas More. Cocktails, dinner, dancing and more!

*Sunday, September 6, 2015:*

9:00 a.m. Orthros

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

4:00 p.m. Parish Picnic at Canyon Rim Park. Games, dinner and more!

Further details to come!

**One Year Anniversary Photo Yearbook:** Elaina Maragakis Simos is collecting pictures for a photographic yearbook commemorating our first year as a new Parish. Please send any photos you may have taken to [gomissionparishut@gmail.com](mailto:gomissionparishut@gmail.com).

**Religious Book Lending Library:** The Women's Ministry Team has started a lending library for our Parish. Book donations will be accepted during fellowship hour after Liturgy on Sundays, and books can also be checked out at this time. Thanks to everyone who has already donated. We now have a few children's books. Please check out our collection! Contact Lisa Apostole at [lisa.apostole@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.apostole@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Donor Recognition Plaque:** The Parish Council is preparing a plaque that will recognize those who donated to the construction and furnishing of our new worship facilities. The plaque will include the names of all who made special donations towards the project, including those for whom donations were made "in honor of" or "in memory of." In recognition of the fact that the construction was funded largely through stewardship dollars, the plaque will also include the names of all who have been stewards at any time since the inception of our Parish through July 30, 2015. Please contact Chris Gounaris at 801-660-9224 or [treasurer@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:treasurer@gomissionparishut.org) if you would like to confirm that a name will be included on the plaque.

**2015 Stewardship:** There is no minimum stewardship for our Parish; all we seek is proportional and cheerful giving! Please visit [www.gomissionparishut.org/?page\\_id=21](http://www.gomissionparishut.org/?page_id=21) to obtain a stewardship commitment card online. Commitment cards are also available in the narthex. If you would like to make a commitment without a card, or if you have any questions, contact Chris Gounaris at [treasurer@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:treasurer@gomissionparishut.org) or 801-660-9224.

**Weekly Bulletin Announcements:** Please send weekly bulletin announcement requests to Parish Council Secretary, Michael Petrogeorge, at [secretary@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:secretary@gomissionparishut.org) by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Announcements for Pan-Orthodox, Fraternal and other events will be published at the discretion of the Parish Council.

**Prayer List:** Alec, Ange, Bill, Christopher, Fred, George, Jacqui, Joe, John, Linda, Lorlee, Margie, Michael, Mike, Mila, Sandy, Toula, Victor.

If you wish to add additional names, please contact Michael Petrogeorge at [secretary@gomissionparishut.org](mailto:secretary@gomissionparishut.org).

## PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**AHEPA/DOP Scholarships:** Salt Lake AHEPA Beehive Chapter 146 and Daughters of Penelope Charai Chapter #79 are jointly offering six \$1000 Scholarships to undergraduate students planning to attend college this fall. Students need to be members of a Salt Lake area Greek Orthodox Church or member or child of a Salt Lake City based AHEPA Family Organization. Membership in AHEPA/DOP is NOT REQUIRED. Applications will be accepted until July 15, 2015. Application forms or information can be obtained by contacting Jim Klekas at 801-971-6060, Marinos Poulos at 801-792-4841, Vasi Katsikathas at 801-554-1827 or any AHEPA or DOP member.

**St. Thomas More Preschool:** The St. Thomas More Preschool, started over 25 years ago, is a curriculum based, cooperative program. The Pre-K3 class meets Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The Pre-K4 class meets Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. To learn more, read testimonials, see pictures, or get registration information, please visit their website at [www.stmutah.org](http://www.stmutah.org) (under Faith and Ministry), contact the Director, Mary Kaye Laabs-Johnson, at [marykaye@stmutah.org](mailto:marykaye@stmutah.org), or call the Parish office at 801-942-5285.

**Blankets for the Homeless:** The Salt Lake Board of Realtors is collecting blankets for the Road Home Shelter as part of their Christmas in July project. Please contact Elaine Zambos at [elaine.realtor@ymail.com](mailto:elaine.realtor@ymail.com) if you would like to donate a blanket or funds towards the purchase thereof.

