



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew

Sunday, February 7, 2021

Orthros: 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10

Prokeimenon. Mode 2. Psalm 117

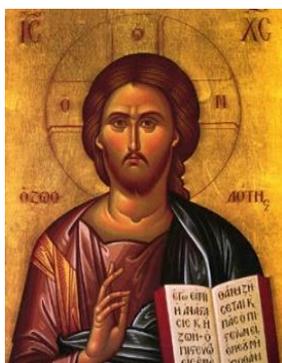
The Lord is my strength and my song, and He became my salvation.

Verse: The Lord chastened and corrected me, but He did not give me up to death



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 According to Matthew 25:14-30



The Lord said this parable: "A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and

traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to every one who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.'" As he said these things he cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

Response to First Antiphon

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Saviour, save us. (4)
(Liturgy Book page 25)

Response to Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God who were carried in the arms of Simeon the Just, save us who sing to you Alleluia. (4) (Liturgy Book pg. 196)

Response to Third Antiphon

Rejoice, O woman full of grace, O Virgin Theotokos, for there rose from you the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, who enlightens those in darkness. You too exult and be glad, just and aged Simeon, for you carried in your arms the Redeemer of our souls, who bestows on us the grace of resurrection. (Liturgy Book pg. 213)

Entrance Hymn

The Lord made known His salvation in the sight of all the Gentiles. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

When You descended into death, Life immortal, You vanquished the pow'r of hell by your resplendent divinity, and when You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out triumphantly: O giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You. (Liturgy Book page 103)

Apolytikion of the Feast

Rejoice, O woman full of grace, O Virgin Theotokos, for there rose from you the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, who enlightens those in darkness. You too exult and be glad, just and aged Simeon, for you carried in your arms the Redeemer of our souls, who bestows on us the grace of resurrection. (p. 213)

Apolytikion of the Parish Church

O God-minded Anna, you bore the pure Mother of God, the one who within her conceived the Conceiver of life itself. You were therefore transported to a place now in heaven. Joyful ones all reside there in the home of all gladness, asking for forgiveness for those who honor you, O blessed one.

Kontakion

For our salvation You took flesh and You sanctified the Virgin's womb; You blessed the aged Simeon as You lay resting in his arms; and having come to save us all , O Christ our God, to these troubled times, bring Your lasting peace. Give strong and undaunted faith to all Your people, O only lover of mankind. (Liturgy Book page 251)

Trisagion Hymn

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3)
(Liturgy Book page 39)

Megalynarion (Hymn for the Theotokos)

It is truly right to call you blessed O Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure and the mother, the mother of our God. More hon' rable than the cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim. In virginity you gave birth to God, to God the word. Truly the Theotokos, we magnify you, we magnify you. (Liturgy Book page 69)

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him, praise Him in the highest (3). Alleluia (Liturgy Book page 83)

Hymn after Communion

We have seen the true light; we have received the heav'nly spirit; we have found the true faith, worshipping the undivided Trinity, the Trinity who has saved us. (Liturgy Book page 87)

Dismissal Hymn

Lord, grant long life to him who blesses us and sanctifies us. (Liturgy Book page 95)

Orthodox Saints: For Saints of the Day, please visit the parish website at <https://stannagocutah.org/?page id=4529>, or the parish Facebook page.

Memorial Services: May Their Memories be Eternal:

Sunday, February 14, 2021: Mary Vosnos (1 year)

Sunday, February 21, 2021: Steve & Linda Manios (40 days); Nick Savas (15 years)

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at franthony@stannagocutah.org or 801-824-3987.

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held, Monday, February 15, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Update to Worship Service: Steps have been taken to reconfigure our worship space to allow for the addition of more seats in the nave. The Parish Council also asked our Medical Advisory Ministry Team, made up of various medical professionals, to come together to review our coronavirus protocols to determine whether any adjustments needed to be made, and to make further recommendations as we move into the fall and begin our Sunday School program.

With the additional seating that has been added to the nave, we have increased our total seating capacity in the nave to accommodate approximately 100 parishioners, even with appropriate social distancing.

Should attendance on any given Sunday exceed the number of people that may safely be allowed in the nave while maintaining proper social distancing, it will be necessary for us to ask parishioners to worship from the Fellowship Hall, with social distancing, via live stream. It may also be necessary for us to revisit the implementation of a reservation system in the event we continually exceed seating capacity in the nave, or if there is a

change to state or local guidance further limiting the number of people who are allowed to be in attendance for live worship.

We have enjoyed consistent and robust participation in our live worship since June, and consider it a blessing to be in the position where we have to consider the possibility of exceeding our available capacity. The Parish Council, in coordination with the Medical Advisory Ministry Team, will do its best to minimize the inconvenience of our parishioners, maximize the opportunities for live worship, and timely communicate any necessary changes in protocols that may arise.

The Parish Council appreciates your continued cooperation, patience, flexibility and support as we navigate through these difficult and unprecedented times and continue to take the steps necessary to safely and consistently facilitate the continuation of our live worship and the commencement of our Sunday School program. We will continue to do our best to continue to make decisions with the health and safety of our parishioners at the forefront of our minds, with the fervent prayer that we will soon be able to remove all restrictions and return to the joys of full parish life.

Electronic COVID-19 Contact Tracing Form: Parishioners participating in live-worship are now able to submit their contact tracing information electronically, using a Google form. To use the form, simply scan the QR code located on the table in the narthex using the camera on your personal smartphone device. The form will ask for your email address, the type of service (i.e., Divine Liturgy, Paraklesis, other), your name, the names of those in your household attending with you, and your phone number.

The information submitted through the electronically submitted form will be recorded in a Google sheet to which only Fr. Anthony and the Parish Council have access. This is the same Google sheet in which we have been entering the information provided on the paper forms since the church reopened for live worship back in June. The information contained in the Google sheet is used by the members of the Parish Council and/or Medical Advisory Ministry

Team to contact parishioners in attendance at a given service insofar as it is subsequently learned that another parishioner has tested positive for COVID-19 within 14 days after attending such service. The information is not used for any other purpose.

Paper contact tracing forms will continue to be available for those parishioners who are unable to access the Google form using a smartphone.

Your continued cooperation in completing the contact tracing forms (electronically or on paper) is greatly appreciated.

Since June, we have only had two instances where a parishioner tested positive for COVID-19 within 14 days after they had attended an in-person service. As a result of our contact tracing efforts, we were able to quickly contact all other parishioners who had attended the same service to alert them of a possible COVID-19 exposure so that they could monitor for symptoms and, if desired, contact their personal health care provider. In each instance, due to God's blessings and the various safety protocols that we have put into place with the guidance of our Medical Advisory Ministry Team, no other parishioners are known to have contracted the virus as a result of their attendance at church.

Easy Way to Pay Your Stewardship and Other Church Donations: The Parish Council has implemented a new way for stewardship and other donations made to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church can now be quickly and easily made via text message using GIVE+ Text, a text donation platform offered through Vanco, our online donation partner.

To make your first donation to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church via text message, follow these four simple steps:

1. Send a text message to 844-936-2414 (St. Anna's dedicated Give+ Text number), stating the amount you would like to donate followed by the account code in the body of the text, using the following format: \$xx 0x. The available account codes are as follows:

01-Stewardship

02-Altar & Benevolence

03-Building Fun

04-Miscellaneous giving

05-Candles-Pangari

06-Candles-Vigil

2. You will receive a return text message containing a link for you to complete your donation.

3. Click on the link in the return text to enter your name, address and credit card information and register yourself as a Give+ Text user.

4. You will receive another text message confirming your donation.

Future text donations are even easier! All you have to do is text the amount you want to donate followed by the applicable account code (\$xx 0x) to 844-936-2414 (St. Anna's dedicated Give+ Text number). The credit card entered at the time of your initial registration will be charged your donation amount, and you will receive a confirming text message.

Further information on the Give+ Text donation platform can be found through the following video tutorials available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4tgrZk6fEy4&feature=youtu.be>.

BUILDING COMMITTEE MINISTRY

The Building Committee Ministry is asking for more volunteer support in order to keep our beautiful St. Anna spaces clean, safe and sanitized after each service. Please contact Myles Carrera at mylescarrera@gmail.com or 801-645-6088 for our volunteer team's weekly schedule and any updates.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS



St Anna 2nd Annual Golf Classic
June 12, 2021
Thanksgiving Point - Lehi, Utah
Check out the website below for details

StAnnaGolfClassic201.com

Pam & Tom Martinez 801-623-7346; 603-999-5176
Co-Chairs
Nick Varanakis 801-694-9019
Advisor

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Please note the next bulletin will be published for Sunday, February 14, 2021. Please send requested bulletin announcements to **Elaine Peterson** at **layniep53@comcast.net** no later than **Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.**

Parish Mobile App: The St. Anna mobile app is available through the Apple App Store at www.itunes.apple.com/us/app/st.-anna-greek-orthodox-church/id1140666277?ls=1&mt=8 and through Google Play at www.play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.conduit.app_fa0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stock Donations: Our parish is now set up to receive marketable securities donations. Such donations will be received and handled

in accordance with the financial policies adopted by the Parish Assembly. Please contact Parish Council Treasurer Phill Floor at treasurer@stannagocutah.org for further details.

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

2021 Stewardship Update: As of Wednesday, February 3, 2021, we have received stewardship commitments for 2021 totaling \$268,392, putting us at 79% of our \$340,000 goal! If you have not yet had an opportunity to complete your 2021 Stewardship Commitment Card, please bring it to church this week or mail it to PO Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117. Stewardship cards can also be submitted online at https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21.

Stewardship, as you well know, is the absolute life-blood of our community's financial health. We do not pass trays or make seasonal appeals to pay our operational expenses. To God's glory, and to your credit, we sustain primarily through Stewardship and the sustained giving of our contributors.

PAN ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL, AND OTHER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminders from the Daughters of Minos: Each month we like to provide chapters' news to the Kriti Magazine. If you would like to announce the graduation, engagement, wedding, baptism, retirement, or a recent death, or any important update in your family, please send in the information and a photo if you'd like to our historian Angie Katsanevas at 801-231-7626 or angiekatsanevas@aol.com before the 3rd of each month.

The Kriti Magazine is also offering special ads in their upcoming holiday issue from individual families wishing to support the magazine and send out a holiday message to everyone in the PAA, please contact Angie for more information.

PRAYER LIST

Alex, Alexander, Ange, Angela, Anna, Athena, Barbara, Bill, Briana, Carol, Charissa, Chris, Christy, Cora, Debbie, Dena,

Diane, Dimitri, Don, Elleney, Fotini, Fred, George, Helen, Irene, Jill, John, Juliet, Kim, Kris, Luke, Lydia, Mary, Nicolay, Nicole, Nina, Pam, Pavel, Sam, Sophia, Sophie, Steve, Theodore, Val and Weston.

PARISH CALENDAR

Visit www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=1663 to obtain an electronic copy of the parish calendar.

February 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	8	9 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	10	11 Paraklesis for the Most Holy Theotokos 6:30 pm	12	13 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
14 Sunday of the Canaanite 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	15 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	16 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	17	18 Paraklesis for the Most Holy Theotokos 6:30 pm	19	20 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
21 Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee: Triodion Begins Today 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	22	23 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	24	25 Paraklesis for the Most Holy Mother of the Theotokos; St. Anna 6:30 pm	26	27 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
28 Fifteenth Sunday of Luke 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy						

March 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine	3	4 Paraklesis for the Most Holy 6:30 pm	5	6 Saturday of Souls 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am

		Liturgy				Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
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14 Forgiveness Sunday 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Forgiveness Great Vespers 7:00 pm	15 First Day of Great Lent Great Compline 7:00 pm	16 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	17 Presanctified Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm	18	19 Paraklesis for the Most Holy Theotokos 10:00 am Salutations 7:00 pm	20 Saturday of Souls 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
21 Sunday of Orthodoxy 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	22 Compline 6:00 pm Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	23 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	24 Presanctified Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm	25	26 Paraklesis for the Most Holy Theotokos 10:00 am Salutations 7:00 pm	27
28 Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	29 Compline 7:00 pm	30 Presanctified Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	31 Presanctified Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm			