



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, August 5,
2018**

Tenth Sunday of
Matthew

Holy Bread

Enosis Touliatos

Ushers

Chris Apalodimas

John Kay

Harry Sinis

Epistle Reader

Kathy Zambelis

Coffee Fellowship

Hosted by the family
of Katherine Futris for
her 1 Year Memorial

Welcome to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We are blessed that you have come to our worship service, and hope that you will be both enlightened and inspired. Every Sunday we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are attending an Orthodox Church for the first time, our service may be foreign and perplexing to you. We assure you that everything we do is firmly rooted in the Scriptures. Please feel free to participate to the level that you feel comfortable.

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist – the Lord's Supper – to be, among other things, the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox Faith. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church. *Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a unity with all the dogma and practices of the Orthodox Church, non-Orthodox guests do not receive Holy Communion.* All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the end of the service.

First Antiphon

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us!

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name.
Psalm 102:1

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He has done for you.
Psalm 102:2

Verse 3: The Lord in heaven has prepared His throne, and His kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 102:17

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, Who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord in my life; I will chant unto my God for as long as I have my being.

Psalm 145:1-2

Verse 2: Blessed is He of whom the God of Jacob is his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Psalm 145:5

Verse 3: The Lord shall be King unto eternity; your God, O Zion, from generation to generation.

Psalm 145:10

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Third Antiphon

Apolytikion of the Sunday

Verse: This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Let the heavens and the earth praise Him.

Psalm 117:24; Psalm 68:34

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the First Mode

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate Body, You did arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to You, O Lifegiver: Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Hymn for the Forefeast of the Transfiguration

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

Come, let us all welcome the Transfiguration of Christ, and joyously celebrate the bright prefestival, O you faithful, and let us cry: Nigh at hand now is the day of God-given gladness, as the Sovereign Master goes up on Mount Tabor to flash forth with the beautiful light of His Divinity.

Hymn of the Annunciation

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery before the Ages. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaims the great grace. Therefore, with him let us cry out unto the Theotokos, "Hail, Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζειται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Seasonal Kontakion

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

On this day of Christ's divine Transfiguration human nature in advance splendidly shines with light divine, and with great joy we all cry aloud, "Christ is transfigured in glory and saves us all."

Sunday, August 5, 2018
Forefeast of the Transfiguration

St. Eusygnius the Martyr
of Antioch

Monday, August 6, 2018
HOLY TRANSFIGURATION

Tuesday, August 7, 2018
St. Dometios of Persia &
Disciples
St. Nikanor the Wonder-
worker

**Wednesday, August 8,
2018**

St. Emilian, Bishop of
Cyzikos
St. Myron the Wonder-
worker
St. Triandaphyllos the
New Martyr

Thursday, August 9, 2018

St. Matthias, Apostle of
the 70
St. Anthony of Alexandria

Friday, August 10, 2018

St. Laurence, Archdea-
con of Rome
St. Chitus of Athens, Bish-
op of Rome

Saturday, August 11, 2018

St. Euplus, Archdeacon
of Catania
St. Niphon, Patriarch of
Constantinople

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

Prokeimenon. Mode 1.
Psalm 32.22,1

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.
Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

**The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corin-
thians 4:9-16**

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

Sunday, August 5, 2018
Fast Day (Wine and Oil Allowed) | Wine and oil are allowed. Refrain from meat, fish, dairy, and eggs.

Monday, August 6, 2018
Fast Day (Fish Allowed) | Fish, oil and wine are allowed. Refrain from meat, dairy and eggs.

Tuesday, August 7, 2018
Strict Fast | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

Wednesday, August 8, 2018
Strict Fast | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

Thursday, August 9, 2018
Strict Fast | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

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Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day."

Visitation Committee

August: Elaine Daniels & Maria Wasserman

September: Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos

October: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

November: Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

December: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jamison

January: Nancy Tashie, Jan Futris & Tina Liollo

February: Vicki Hoover & Evangelina Panas

March: Linda Nichols, Anne Schmitt, & Debbie Bookas

April: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

May: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham, Emily Capadalis Love, & Georgia Karris

June: Despina Karas & Angela Tobias

July: Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

The following members of our parish family have requested visitation. For address and/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the Church Office.

Alec Collis
Maria Hetos

Stella Nichols
Kosta Taras

Georgia Smith
Jimmy Smith

Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the 2018-2019 Visitation Committee, a ministry of the Elpis Philoptochos.

Announcements

◆ **Fall Sunday School Information**

The first day of Sunday School for the Fall Session will be August 12th. Sunday School Registration is Sunday, August 5th, in Cotros Hall.

◆ **Library Summer Hours**

The library is open all summer long 10:00 am—2:00 pm every Tuesday. Please take some time during a lunch break to stop by for a quiet place to read or contemplate. We also have a great Children's Section.

◆ **Looking for Books.**

If you have previously checked out a book from the library and have finished it, we encourage you to bring it back in and check out another gem to read. You can drop the book off during the week at the office, Tuesday's during library hours, and even after service, just give them to Billy Benson.

◆ **Supplication Services 6:30 pm—7:30 pm**

- ◆ Monday, August 6
- ◆ Wednesday, August 8
- ◆ Friday, August 10
- ◆ Monday, August 13

◆ **Water & Hydration for our First Responders at Tillman Police Station & Fire Station # 17**

IT'S STILL SUMMER! We will be collecting bottled water, Gatorade, Powerade, etc. for the next few weeks during this hot summer. You can drop donations off at the designated table in Cotros Hall any time the church is open.

◆ **"It Happens At Home: An Evening of Education and Action Surrounding Human Trafficking" August 18 7:00 pm**

It may be easy to relegate the issue of slavery to the history books, but the truth is it exists today in ways most of us don't even realize. Human trafficking continues to plague our society, not only in the farthest reaches of the developing world but also here in America, and right here in the Mid-South. It has been described by our Ecumenical Patriarch as "Old Problems in A New World."

Join us for an evening of education with community members working alongside survivors of human trafficking. This event will be free; however, sponsorship opportunities are available to support local organizations. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Hawkins.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, August 5th, Tenth Sunday of Matthew

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† Memorial Service for Katherine Futris

† Nursery Available 10:00 am

† Coffee Fellowship hosted by Family of Katherine Futris for her 1 Year Memorial

† Sunday School Registration 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall

Monday, August 6th, Feast of the Transfiguration

† Orthros 9:00 am

† Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

† Supplication Service 6:30 pm

Tuesday, August 7th

† Library Open 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Wednesday, August 8th Small Paraklesis

† Supplication Service 6:30 pm

Friday, August 10th, Small Paraklesis

† Supplication Service 6:30 pm

Sunday, August 12th, Eleventh Sunday of Matthew

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† 40 Day Blessing for Beatrice Paulus, daughter of Bethany & Basil Paulus

† 40 Day Blessing for Ava Grace Hong, daughter of Ramona & Tony Hong

† Nursery Available 10:00 am

† First Day of Sunday School 11:00 am

Monday, August 13th, Small Paraklesis

† Supplication Service 6:30 pm