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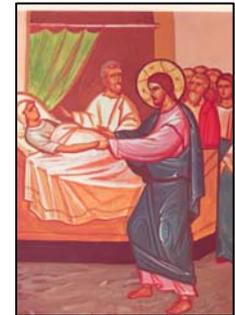
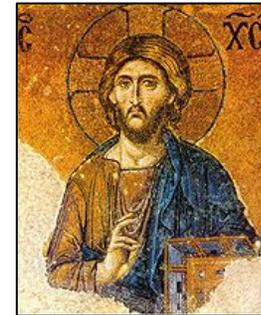
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## St. Christopher Hellenic Orthodox Church



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Very Rev. Fr. George J. Tsahakis, *Chancellor*

### Liturgical Guide for Sunday, November 8, 2015

ON THIS DAY, THE 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ST. LUKE, THE CHURCH COMMEMORATES the Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & the Other Bodiless Powers: Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel, & Barachiel; and Righteous Symeon the Translator (9<sup>th</sup> cent.). *Through their holy intercessions, O God, have mercy on us and save us. Amen.*

### Welcome, Visitors and Newcomers, to our Parish!

We invite you to enter your name, mail/email addresses in our Guest Register (near the entrance) if you are interested in joining and assisting with our mission's development. We want to keep you informed of our schedule and location of services. *You and your family are welcome; we look forward to knowing you. We invite you and your family to join and assist us often!*

*Please consider that only baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians in canonical good standing may approach for Holy Communion. All are invited to partake of the Antidoron ("instead of the gifts") distributed at the conclusion of today's Divine Liturgy.*

### **SPECIAL HYMNS SUNG BEFORE/AFTER SMALL ENTRANCE**

#### **1./2. Resurrectional Hymn (Plagal of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tone) – (Hymnal-pp.118-121):**

It is sung *before* and *after* the Small Entrance: The angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the soldiers guarding it became as dead men, and Mary stood at Your grave seeking Your most pure body. But You made hell a captive; You were untouched by its might. You came to the Virgin and granted life. O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glory to You.

#### **3. Hymn Commemorating the Heavenly Hosts – (not in Hymnal):**

It is sung *after* the Small Entrance. O Chief Commanders of the heavenly armies, we the unworthy ones entreat you in earnest, that you might with your supplications fortify us, guarding us who run to you and beneath the protection of the pinions of your immaterial glory, and who with fervor shout: Deliver us, from every danger, as Captains of the hosts on high.

#### **4. Hymn Commemorating St. Christopher – (see handout):**

It is sung *after* the Small Entrance. Made comely with garments woven from your venerable blood, you stand before the Lord, the King of Heaven and earth, O famed Martyr Christopher. With the choirs of Angels and the Martyrs you chant, singing the thrice-holy hymn and most awesome praises. Thus, by your intercessions with God, save us, your servants.

#### **5. Kontakion for Feast of the Theotokos (11/21) – (Hymnal-pp.236-239):**

It is sung *after* the Small Entrance: Behold the temple of the Savior, His precious bridal chamber. Behold the virginal and sacred vessel of God's glory. Today she enters into the house of the Lord, bearing within her the grace of the Holy Spirit. For this, the angels exclaim: She is indeed the heavenly tabernacle.

**6. Communion Hymn – (Hymnal-pp.324):**

*On the occasion of the feast of the Theotokos, the following hymn is sung instead of “Aineite” or “Praise the Lord”: “He makes His angels spirits and His ministers flame of fire. (Ps. 103[104]). Alleluia.”*

**SCRIPTURAL PASSAGES FROM TODAY’S ORTHROS & DIVINE LITURGY**

*The Scriptures were not given us for this only, that we might have them in books, but that we might engrave them on our hearts. – St. John Chrysostom*

**Gospel Reading During Orthros Service (Matthew 28:16-20)**

*Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Amen.*

**Gospel Reading During Divine Liturgy (Luke 8:41-56)**

<sup>41</sup>*Just then there came a man named Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. He fell at Jesus’ feet and begged Him to come to his house, <sup>42</sup>for he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. As He went, the crowds pressed in on Him. <sup>43</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent all she had on physicians, no one could cure her. <sup>44</sup>She came up behind Him and touched the fringe of His clothes, and immediately her hemorrhage stopped. <sup>45</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Who touched Me?” When all denied it, Peter said, “Master, the crowds surround You and press in on You.” <sup>46</sup>But Jesus said, “Someone touched Me; for I noticed that power had*

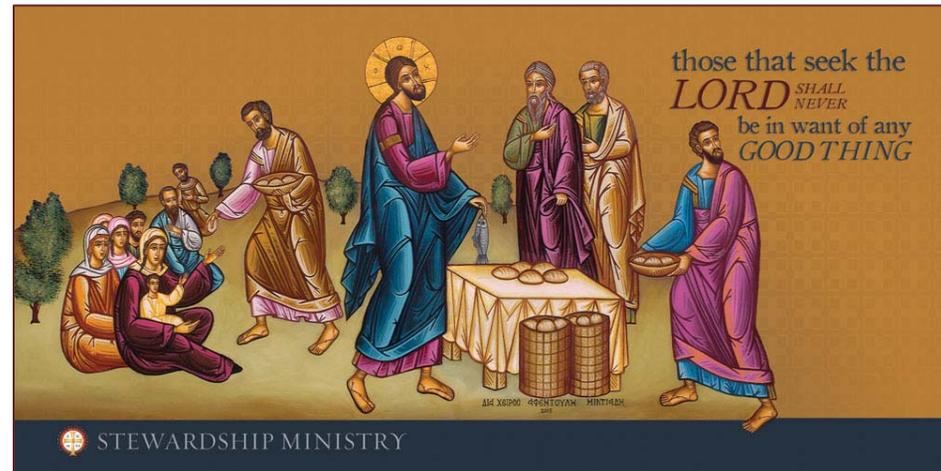
gone out from Me.” <sup>47</sup>When the woman saw that she could not remain hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. <sup>48</sup>He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.” <sup>49</sup>While He was still speaking, someone came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the teacher any longer.” <sup>50</sup>When Jesus heard this, He replied, “Do not fear. Only believe, and she will be saved.” <sup>51</sup>When He came to the house, He did not allow anyone to enter with Him, except Peter, John, and James, and the child’s father and mother. <sup>52</sup>They were all weeping and wailing for her; but He said, “Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.” <sup>53</sup>And they laughed at Him, knowing that she was dead. <sup>54</sup>But He took her by the hand and called out, “Child, get up!” <sup>55</sup>Her spirit returned, and she got up at once. Then He directed them to give her something to eat. <sup>56</sup>Her parents were astounded; but He ordered them to tell no one what had happened.

**THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE** (TRY TO COMMIT TO MEMORY):

“<sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone.”

(Ephesians 2: 19-20)

## PASTORAL REFLECTION FROM FR. GEORGE:



### What is Christian Stewardship?

#### **Christian Stewardship is...**

...learning how to be a responsible and concerned caretaker of Christ's Church; it is learning how to enjoy Church life and be happy in Church work, for in Her dwells the fullness of the Spirit of God.

...our active commitment to use all our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love.

...caring for the needs of others.

...offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us.

...what a person does after saying "I believe...", as proof of that belief.

...devotion and service to God and His Church as persons, as families, as diocese/metropolis, as national Church and as Church universal.

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**Philotochos Society Fall Pastry Sale**

*"To promote charitable, benevolent and philanthropic outreach to preserve the sanctity of life and family and to perpetuate and promote our Orthodox faith and traditions."*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Pickup Dates: **Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm @ Church Address**

**Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> – 9:00 am -12:00 pm @ Church Address**

Order Deadline: **November 10, 2015**

	Quantity	Cost/Dozen	Total
<b>Spanakopita:</b> Spinach & Cheese stuffed phyllo triangle 		\$ 10.00	\$
<b>Tiropita:</b> Cheese stuffed phyllo triangle 		\$ 10.00	\$
<b>Baklava:</b> layers of phyllo filled with chopped nuts and sweetened and held together with syrup or honey 		\$ 18.00	\$
<b>Kourambiedes:</b> sugar dusted butter cookie 		\$ 15.00	\$
<b>Melomakarona:</b> cookies with olive oil, walnuts and cinnamon soaked in honey syrup 		\$ 15.00	\$
<b>Koulourakia:</b> twisted butter cookie 		\$ 8.00	\$
<b>Sampler Dozen:</b> Package containing 3 each of Baklava, Kourambiedes, Melomakarona and Koulourakia		\$ 20.00	\$
<b>Pastitsio:</b> luscious layers of seasoned ground beef, pasta, and a creamy bechamel sauce baked to perfection 		\$35.00 12"x9" pan	\$
<b>TOTAL DUE:</b>			\$

<b>Paid:</b>		
<b>Cash</b>	<b>Check #</b>	<b>CC</b>

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# St. Christopher Hellenic Orthodox Church

Peachtree City, GA

## Parish General Assembly Meeting Agenda

November 8, 2105

*(All parishioners – please join us immediately after church services)*

- 10:30 AM** Call to Order & Prayer – Fr. George Tsahakis  
**10:32 AM** Election of Meeting Chairman – Fr. George Tsahakis  
**10:35 AM** Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Tony Vlachakis *(see attached)*  
**10:40 AM** Pastor's Report – Fr. George Tsahakis  
**10:55 AM** Parish Council President's Report – Julie Skouteris  
**11:00 AM** Parish Council Treasurer's Report – George Psihountas *(see attached)*  
**11:10 AM** Committee Reports  
Stewardship Committee – Tom Farnakis

Ministry Leaders & Updates – Open Question Session  
2016 GreekFest Update

**11:25 AM** Philoptochos Society – Katie Wilson

**11:35 AM** New Business  
Approval of 2014 Audit Report  
Review of 2016 Tentative Budget – George Psihountas  
Election of 2015 Audit Committee  
Election of Election Committee  
Nominations for Parish Council

**12:20 PM** Closing Prayer – Fr. George Tsahakis

**12:20 PM** Adjournment & Lunch

*Fr. George Tsahakis*

Fr. George Tsahakis  
Priest

*Julie Skouteris*

Julie Skouteris  
President, Parish Council

*Tony Vlachakis*

Tony Vlachakis  
Secretary, Parish Council

And on this 582<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of our St. Christopher's parish community, we continue to thank each of you for your presence and support. Although it may seem like we are just a handful of men, women and children, if we commit ourselves to serving our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we will experience the miracle of growth as the Holy Spirit brings others into His service to help us build His new church in the Peachtree City, Georgia area for the glory of God!

## **COMMUNITY SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday, November 8 (7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of St. Luke):**

- 7:45 a.m. Orthros Service**
- 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy**
- 10:15 a.m. Stewardship Sunday Presentation/General Parish Assembly**
- 12:00 p.m. Brief Parish Council Meeting**

### **Thursday, November 12:**

- 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice**

### **Saturday, November 14:**

- 9:00 a.m. Philoptochos Fall Bake Sale- Preparation of Kourambiethes & Koulourakia (*come join us and help*)**
- 6:00 p.m. Archangel Michael Feast & Honors (*at Annunciation Cathedral – congratulations to our parish honorees – Lydia McGee & Angelique Soulakos*)**

### **Sunday, November 15 (*No church services in Peachtree City Today – join us at***

***Annunciation Cathedral, 2500 Clairmont Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30329;***

***8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of St. Luke; Nativity Lent Begins*):**

- 8:00 am Orthros Service (Annunciation Cathedral)**
- 9:30 am Hierarchical Divine Liturgy (Annunciation Cathedral)**

### **Sunday, November 15 – Thursday, December 24 – *Nativity Fast***

***Your continued support and mutual encouragement  
are essential and appreciated!***