

Sunday, October 1, 2017

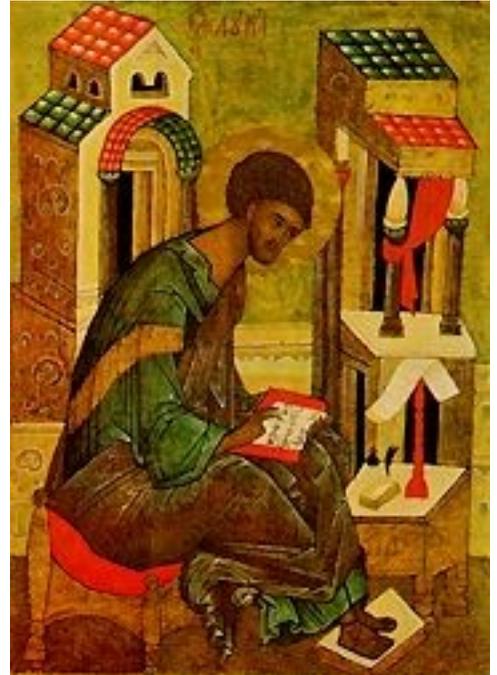
Epistle reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Gospel According to Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."



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*Coffee Hour is sponsored today in loving memory of †James Dickos  
by Tika Dickos, Deacon Frank & Adrienne Dickos, Peter & Pamela Countouris.*

**Memorials:** †Nicholas Kehayas 40 days  
†Catherine (Romanos) Frezoulis 40 days  
†James Dickos 1 year  
†George Bakirtsis (nephew of Maria Fitsioris) 1 year

### This Week at Holy Cross

Monday 9am Autumn Festival Set-up  
11am **Michael Megaludis Memorial Golf Outing** (Lunch, Golf and Dinner)

Tuesday 10am First Steps of Christ (Old Social Hall)  
9am Autumn Festival Set-up

Wednesday 11:30am-8pm Autumn Festival  
4:30pm Greek School

Thursday 11:30am-8pm Autumn Festival

Friday 11:30am-8pm Autumn Festival

Saturday 10 am Autumn Festival Clean-up

**Back to School Drive for FOCUS families** end today. Please place donations in boxes provided in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity in helping the many children in need. ~Dianne Babb

***Walk for Missions*** next Sunday, October 8.

*Details in Crossroads.*

*Grab a form in narthex, and plan to walk next Sunday.*

### **Philoptochos IMPORTANT DATES:**

AUTUMN FOOD FAIR SET-UP TODAY Sunday, October 1, FOLLOWING COFFEE HOUR, continuing Monday, October 2 and Tuesday, October 3, 9:30am

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, KDKA, CHANNEL 2, WILL PROMOTE THE AUTUMN FOOD FAIR ON THE PITTSBURGH TODAY LIVE(PTL) SHOW from 9am-10am.

AUTUMN FOOD FAIR, OCTOBER 4,5,6 11:30am-8:00pm

SENIOR GREEK DANCING, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY OCTOBER 5 & 6 at 6:30PM

AUTUMN FOOD FAIR CLEAN-UP, Friday, October 6, 8pm, Saturday, October 7,10:00am

Tuesday, October 10, 6:15 meeting, 7:15 Membership Social

**Philoptochos AUTUMN FOOD FAIR and YIAYIA JOAN'S ATTIC TREASURES IS THIS WEEK! PLEASE HELP AT SET-UP TODAY OR AT YOUR CONVENIENCE THIS WEEK!**

- ♥ Please support the FAIR, October 4-6, with your gift of time. If you cannot commit to a specific time, please see Marica or Elaine at the fair and we will guide you where you are needed!
- ♥ THANK YOU to ALL who prepared 104 pans of spanakopita and almost 1500 meatballs! A HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped in the eight items that were prepared for the Autumn Food Fair.
- ♥ Dianne Babb, 724 514-7333, is still accepting your baked good donations. Your cookie, cake and pastry donations are much appreciated and needed to make our fair a success!
- ♥ Philoptochos wants your "Treasures" TODAY to be sold at the Autumn Food Fair! Please donate unbroken, CLEAN items that you are proud to display and can be purchased immediately. Please donate toys, books, collectibles, linens, household goods and jewelry. NO clothing, please! Contact Pam Lagios, 412 276-4614 or JoAnna Asvestas, 412 343-7710 with questions.
- ♥ Volunteers are especially needed at the dinner food lines anytime from 2:30pm-8:00pm. Please contact Marica Mitsos, Wednesday, Oct. 4 dinner, 724 745-2299, Cynthia Kostelnik, Thursday, Oct. 5 dinner, 412 833-9423 or Elaine Sofis, Friday, Oct. 6 dinner, 412 344-7046. Please contact Adrienne Dickos at 412 833-4980 to volunteer in the prep room anytime from 9am - 8pm
- ♥ PLEASE support Philoptochos in our main fundraiser of the year! ALL ages & genders welcome to volunteer!

COME AND ENJOY LUNCH AND DINNER WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

~Elaine Sofis and Marica Mitsos, Autumn Food Fair Co-Chairs

### **WELCOME – AND A FEW WORDS ABOUT COMMUNION...**

*We warmly welcome all visitors and seekers in our midst today, trusting that your experience here will be an uplifting and enriching one. The Greek Orthodox Churches are the ancient and native Christian communities of the biblical world, with centers in the Holy Lands, Syria, Egypt and Asia Minor, and by extension in Greece, Cyprus and throughout the world. Like the ancient Christians, we engage the whole person, heart, mind and all senses in Divine Worship. This experience has been so powerful to seekers in the past that it was often said "We knew not whether we were in heaven or on earth. We knew only that there God dwelt among human beings." (Russian Primary Chronicle) That communion experience of heaven on earth and God in our midst forms the heart of all Orthodox worship. It culminates in the sharing of Holy Communion, which not only unites us with the Divine, but also expresses the deep unity in faith and life between all Orthodox believers. Since Holy Communion expresses that deep unity in belief and practice alike, it is reserved for observant Orthodox Christians. This does not mean, however, that non-Orthodox are 'excluded' – rather, the Orthodox choose not to make an external display of unity when actual unity does not exist. While working to restore the full communion that did exist in antiquity, today we offer the sign of the blessed bread at the service's conclusion as a symbolic gift of hospitality and growing unity that is offered to all present. If you would like to learn more about the Orthodox way of life, or have any questions about worship or Holy Communion, please approach Fr. Michael or one of the clergy following services. Thank you for joining us, and again, we welcome you all.*

# Holy Cross Family Night is coming!

Thursday, November 9th

Everyone  
Get Ready!

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## THE CHURCH ~ A HOLY PLACE

When you enter the church building as the “House of Worship,” you are entering into the Great Throne Room of the “King of Kings” as His subjects and His soldiers. The “King of Kings,” Jesus Christ, is enthroned on the Holy Altar and all the angels, prophets, saints and the Most Holy Mother of God are present. His soldiers should be attentive and standing at attention. No one in the presence of the “king of Kings” would sit with his legs crossed, or his hands in his pockets, or chewing gum, or looking at his watch because to do any of these things would be disrespectful. The only proper disposition a soldier can have before his commander is that of reverence which is indicated by a bowed head, a submissive heart and prayer.