

Welcome Guests

Guests are always welcome to worship with us! We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about Holy Orthodoxy or our parish.

If you are an Orthodox Christian, and are prepared through prayer, fasting, and recent confession, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

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ST. TIMOTHY ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST &
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
AFTER-FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION
(MEETING) OF CHRIST

■ Parthenios, Bishop of Lampsakos ■ Venerable Luke of Hellas
■ New-Martyr George of Crete

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace, for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God, lighting those who are in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder, carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls, Who granteth us Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. TIMOTHY IN TONE FOUR

O holy apostle Timothy, master of unction measured in all thy deeds, clothed with an upright conscience as befits a priest, thou has drawn ineffable truths from Paul the vessel of election; thou hast kept the faith and completed a course equal to his, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

KONTAKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

THE READINGS

Lord will give strength to His people. Ascribe to the Lord, O sons of God, ascribe to the Lord honor and glory.

FROM THE SECOND EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS. (6:1-10)

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 anyone'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.

FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW. (25:14-30 + LUKE 8:8)

The Lord spoke 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 everyone 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 Jesus said these things He cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

SERVICES THIS WEEK

- ☐ Wednesday - 6pm, Vespers
- ☐ Friday - 6pm, Paraklesis Hymn to the Mother of God
- ☐ Saturday - 6pm, Great Vespers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ☐ Today is the last day to donate your spare change or bills for the Alpha Pregnancy Center. Empty your car and/or purse and bring in your spare change to help make a difference!
- ☐ The Sisterhood of St. Timothy will meet today after service promptly at 11:45am at the conference area adjacent to the bookstore.
- ☐ The Parish Council will meet this Tuesday, February 9th, at 7:00pm. All Parish members are welcome to attend. Contact Samer Awwad for video conference details.
- ☐ The next Sisterhood of St. Timothy Book Club meeting is Thursday February 11th @ 6:30pm and all women are welcome! We're studying the Psalms using as a companion book "Christ in the Psalms" by Patrick Henry Reardon. (Alex has copies in the bookstore.) Talk to Kh Barbara with any questions.

GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!

Happy Birthday

- Abed Fashho February 8
- Noah Marinos February 8
- Leyton Becker February 9
- Michael Abughazaleh February 10

Blessed Saint's Day

- Theodora Bezzerides, St Theodora the Empress, February 11

Happy Anniversary

- Jefferson & Margaret Sumagang, February 9