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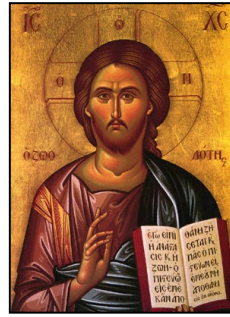
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Liturgical Guide for Tuesday, May 9, 2023

ON THIS DAY, WE COMMEMORATE *the Holy Prophet Isaiah; St. Christopher the Martyr of Lycea, whose name our parish bears; Elder Hieronimos of Simonopetra; Monk-martyr Nicholas who lived in Vuneni, of Larissa in Thessaly; Epimachos the New Martyr of Alexandria; and the New Martyrs of Novo Selo, Bulgaria. Through their holy intercessions, O God, have mercy on us and save us. Amen.*

Welcome to our Parish

We welcome our parishioners who are attending services in person today and we also are grateful for those who are viewing our online video streaming at home. Parishioners and visitors who are sick are asked to remain at home to recover and rest. ***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./9. Hymn for the Feast of Pascha (our Lord's passover from death to life):

Sung three times after the opening of the Divine Liturgy, before the Small Entrance, and after the distribution of Holy Communion: Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

3. Small Entrance Exclamation of the Priest:

On the occasion of the Paschal period, the Priest intones the following at the Small Entrance: "In your choirs, bless the Lord, you of Israel's wellspring. Save us, O Son of God, who did rise from the dead, we sing to You: Alleluia!"

4. Resurrectional Hymn - Third Tone (Today) – (Hymnal-pp.106-109):

Sung after the Small Entrance: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of His arm. He has trampled down death by death, becoming the firstborn of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell and has granted to all the world His great mercy.

5. Hymn for Prophet Isaiah– (not in Hymnal):

Sung after the Small Entrance: As we celebrate the memory of Your Prophet Isaiah through him we importune You, O Lord, that You save our souls.

6. Hymn Commemorating St. Christopher – (see music distributed):

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.

7. Kontakion – (not in Hymnal):

It is sung after the Small Entrance: I have sinned in every way, I have improperly acted; therefore with paralysis my soul is woefully stricken. Raise it up, O Lord, through Your own divine attention, even as of old You raised up the paralytic, so that saved I may cry, Glory to Your dominion, O my compassionate Christ.

8. Communion Hymn – (not in Hymnal):

On the occasion of today's feast, the following hymn is sung instead of "Aineite" or "Praise the Lord": The righteous will be remembered forever. Alleluia.

SCRIPTURAL PASSAGES FROM TODAY'S ORTHROS & DIVINE LITURGY

<i>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</i>
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Epistle Reading (Acts 10:21-33)

So Peter went down to the men and said, "I am the one you are looking for; what is the reason for your coming?" They answered, "Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, who is well spoken of by the whole Jewish nation, was directed by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear what you have to say." So Peter invited them in and gave them lodging. The next day he got up and went with them, and some of the believers from Joppa accompanied him. The following day they came to Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends. On Peter's arrival Cornelius met him, and falling at his feet, worshiped him. But Peter made him get up, saying, "Stand up; I am only a mortal." And as he talked with him, he went in and found that many had assembled; and he said to them, "You yourselves know that it is unlawful for a Jew to associate with or to visit a Gentile; but God has shown me that I should not call anyone profane or unclean. So when I was sent for, I came without objection. Now may I ask why you sent for me?" Cornelius replied, "Four days ago at this very hour, at three o'clock, I was praying in my house when suddenly a man in dazzling clothes stood before me. He said, 'Cornelius, your prayer has been heard and your alms have been remembered before God. Send therefore to Joppa and ask for Simon, who is called Peter; he is staying in the home of Simon, a tanner, by the sea.' Therefore I sent for you immediately, and you have been kind enough to come. So now all of us

are here in the presence of God to listen to all that the Lord has commanded you to say.”

Gospel Reading (John 7:1-13)

After this Jesus went about in Galilee. He did not wish to go about in Judea because the Jews were looking for an opportunity to kill Him. Now the Jewish festival of Booths was near. So His brothers said to Him, “Leave here and go to Judea so that Your disciples also may see the works You are doing; for no one who wants to be widely known acts in secret. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world.” (For not even His brothers believed in Him.) Jesus said to them, “My time has not yet come, but your time is always here. The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify against it that its works are evil. Go to the festival yourselves. I am not going to this festival, for My time has not yet fully come.” After saying this, He remained in Galilee. But after His brothers had gone to the festival, then He also went, not publicly but as it were in secret. The Jews were looking for Him at the festival and saying, “Where is He?” And there was considerable complaining about Him among the crowds. While some were saying, “He is a good man,” others were saying, “No, He is deceiving the crowd.” Yet no one would speak openly about Him for fear of the Jews.



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On this the twentieth commemoration of the Feast Day of our St. Christopher 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 **(CHECK WEB CALENDAR FOR MORE...)**

Tuesday, May 9 (Feast of St. Christopher the Martyr – Parish Name Day)

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Your continued support and mutual encouragement are essential and appreciated!