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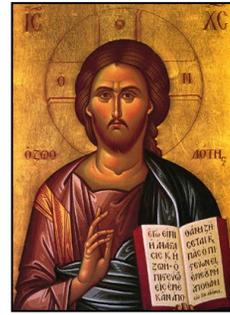
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## **St. Christopher Hellenic Orthodox Church**



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

### **Liturgical Guide for Saturday, June 13, 2020**

ON THIS DAY, THE LEAVE-TAKING OF THE FEAST OF PENTECOST, WE COMMEMORATE Aquilina the Martyr of Syria and Triphyllus the Bishop of Nicosia. *Through their holy intercessions, O God, have mercy on us and save us. Amen.*

### **Thank You for Your Understanding**

We welcome our parishioners who pre-registered and are attending services in person today and we also welcome those who are viewing our online video streaming at home. Let us comply with the guidelines we have provided everyone. We appreciate your kind understanding that our church has begun phase one of the re-opening of our doors. Fr. George is deeply appreciative to you and all who are assisting during worship services.

## **Church Re-Opening Guidelines**

During the first phase of the re-opening of St. Christopher Church, a limited number of households will be permitted at each worship service *by following two simple steps*. Extra services will be offered to accommodate our St. Christopher Parish Family if your first choice is not available.

**Step 1: [Click here to Read and Agree to "Returning to Worship: Important Information"](#)**

**Step 2: [Click here to "Pre-Register for Services"](#)**

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

### **1./3./5. Special Hymn Commemorating Pentecost – (Hymnal-pp.172-173):**

It is sung *after* the Doxology and *before* and *after* the Small Entrance. Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You made wise men of poor fishermen by sending down upon them Your Holy Spirit, and through them You caught the whole world. O Lover of mankind, glory to You.

### **2. Second Antiphon Today – (Hymnal-pp.28-29):**

*Today, the following hymn is sung instead of the normal "Soson Imas":* Save us, O Son of God, O Holy Counselor. We sing to You: Alleluia!"

### **4. Small Entrance Exclamation of the Priest:**

*On the occasion of today's feast, the Priest intones the following at the Small Entrance:* "Be exalted, O Lord, in Your strength! We will sing and chant the praise of Your might. O Holy Counselor, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!"

### **6. Kontakion for the Feast of Pentecost – (Hymnal-pp.280-281):**

When He came down and confused the tongues of men, the Most High divided the nations. But in sending forth parted tongues of flame, He called all mankind to unity, that with one accord we might glorify His all Holy Spirit.

### **7. Megalynarion (Hymn to the Theotokos) – (not in Hymnal):**

*Today, the following hymn is usually sung instead of "Axion Estin" or "Truly it is proper to call you blessed...": Queen of all, rejoice! boast of mothers and virgins; for there is no fluent, no eloquent speaker whose words have the power worthily to praise you; and every mind is dazed when on your childbirth it thinks; hence we glorify you in unison.*

### **8. Communion Hymn for Feast of Pentecost – (Hymnal-pp.322):**

*On the occasion of today's feast, the following hymn is usually sung instead of "Aineite" or "Praise the Lord": Let Your Good Spirit lead me along a path that is sure and straight. Alleluia. (Psalm 142[143]:10)*

## **SCRIPTURAL PASSAGES FROM TODAY'S 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.</i>	<i>– St. John Chrysostom</i>
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### **Epistle Reading (Romans 1:7-12):**

*To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of His Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.*

### **Gospel Reading During Divine Liturgy (Matthew 5:42-48):**

*Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. "You have heard that it was said, 'You*

*shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.*



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*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...)

### **Saturday, June 13:**

7:45 a.m. Orthros Service

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

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