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MARTYR CALLISTRATUS AND HIS 49 COMPANIONS
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
II Corinthians 6:1-10

Gospel Reading
Luke 5:1-11

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion (Resurrection)
By Your Cross You destroyed death. To the thief You opened Paradise. For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy. And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that You are risen, granting the world great mercy.

Troparion (Martyr Callistratus and His 49 Companions)
In contest you were strengthened by the Holy Spirit, Martyr Callistratus, and were glorious in casting down the Enemy. You offered a noble army of athletes as sweet-smelling incense to Christ. With them pray for us who praise you with hymns.

Kontakion (Resurrection)
The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: “The Savior has come to those in faith; enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

Kontakion (Martyr Callistratus and His 49 Companions)
Like stars you have shone upon the world shedding the light of your contests and miracles upon all who cry to you: “Rejoice, Martyr Callistratus and fellow company of martyrs.”

Kontakion (St. Luke)
Let us praise the godly Luke: he is the true preacher of piety, the orator of ineffable mysteries and the star of the Church; for the Word, Who alone knows the hearts of men, chose him, together with wise Paul, to be a teacher of the gentiles!

Memory Eternal
We pray for Popadija Kitty’s parents, William and Jane Searles, on the anniversaries of their falling asleep. O Lord, grant them rest eternal with Thy saints in blessed repose.

Welcome to all guests with us today in person and by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. Join us for light refreshments at Coffee Hour immediately following Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with us and Fr. John.

FOCUS Family Care Drive – Today
The October Diaper Drive is in its final day. Our donations of financial gifts and infant care items will benefit families in the Arlandria, VA area who are living in poverty. There is still time to [Donate online](#) or write checks to “FOCUS NA-DC Drive” and place them in the FOCUS box at the display in the parish hall. Learn about the outreach ministry: [FOCUS DC](#)

St. Luke Gift Shop
Louise Romanchak invites us to visit the Gift Shop to see the new icons and handcrafted prayer wristlets that were ordered from St. Paisius Serbian Orthodox Women's Monastery in Safford, AZ. St. Tikhon’s Monastery Prayer Books and many other gift items are available.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, October 13 – 7PM on Zoom
Join this week’s discussion on Elder Thaddeus’ teaching “On Inner Peace” from *Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives*. Fr. John will email the link and notes.

Feast of the Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos – Thursday, October 14
A Festal Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday at **10AM** in person and by [livestream](#). Join us or watch the video later to experience the beautiful prayers and hymns.

International Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day – Friday, October 15
October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month to help people better understand and support parents who lost babies in miscarriage, stillbirth, or in early infancy. Learn about it in the following resource: [OCA: Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month](#)
Join others in lighting a candle at 7PM on Friday’s Awareness Day to create a Wave of Light around the world. Memory Eternal +

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke Patron Saint Day/Slava - Sunday, October 31
We joyfully resume our annual Slava celebration even with Covid modifications. The 10:30AM Divine Liturgy will be followed by the Slava Prayers and a Luncheon.

Sisterhood Holiday Bake Sale – Saturday, December 11
Our faithful women are delighted to announce the December Holiday Bake Sale. Volunteers are hard at work preparing the famous baked goods and other foods. Watch for news on Pre-orders of specialty items like Nutrolls, Poppysed Rolls and Strudels.

God Grant You Many Years!
God bless Rick and Amanda Costello as they celebrate their wedding anniversary and Theodore Schneider on his October 15 birthday. Mnogaja ljeta!