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JANUARY 30, 2022  
**ST. SAVA, ENLIGHTENER AND  
FIRST ARCHBISHOP OF SERBIA**  
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Epistle Readings**  
Hebrews 13:7-11  
1John 1:8-2:6

**Gospel Readings**  
Luke 16:17-23  
Mark 13:31-14:2

**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** (St. Sava)

As an instructor, and hierarch, and teacher of the Way that leads to life, you first came and enlightened your homeland, O Saint Sava, and causing it to be reborn by the Holy Spirit, you planted your wholly sanctified children as olive trees in a spiritual paradise, therefore, honoring you as equal to the Apostles and saints, we beseech you: Entreat Christ God to grant us great mercy.

**Kontakion** (St. Sava)

Your church glorifies you as its first great hierarch and the Apostles' companion, O venerable one. Since you have boldness before Christ God, save us by your prayers from every tribulation, so that we may cry to you rejoice, O divinely wise Father Sava!

**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!"

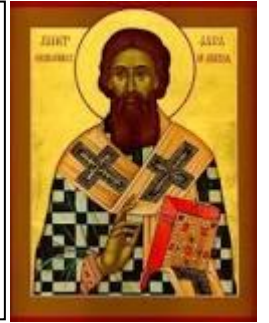
**Kontakion** (St. Luke)

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!

**HOLY FATHER SAVA, PRAY TO GOD FOR US!**

O divine, O beloved, O sweet and most holy voice, O God-glorifying Sava, you have firmly promised to be with us until the end of this world. O divinely-adorned Sava, and we, your beloved children, who have you as our strength and our divinely inspired hope, are rejoicing now.

~Excerpt of a Eulogy to St. Sava by his disciple, Atanasije.



**Welcome** to all guests with us today in person and by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, please talk with Fr. John and any parishioner. Come again for worship and fellowship.

**Memory Eternal**

We pray for the departed faithful members of our St. Luke parish on the anniversaries of their falling asleep: Vera Jovancevic, George Markon, Dan Novak and Sophie Shepel. May our all-merciful and loving Lord grant rest eternal in blessed repose to the souls of His servants. Večnaja pamjat +

**St. Sava of Serbia Patron Saint Day – Sunday, January 30**

We are unable to have our traditional Slava and luncheon this year due to health concerns. We miss the custom carried on for centuries of honoring our children on this day and their program and recital for us. We pray for its return this time, next year.

**Home Blessings in the Theophany Season**

Bottles of newly blessed Holy Water are available for Home Blessings. Fr. John encourages us to take them home to bless our own homes while we pray or sing the Theophany Troparion. This is a beautiful Orthodox tradition to renew our home as a holy site.

**Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, February 2 at 7PM on Zoom**

Fr. John is leading the discussion on *The Gospel of St. Luke – Good News for the Poor* by Fr. Lawrence Farley. He will email notes and the Zoom link. Everyone is welcome to join.

**First-Saturday-of-the-Month – February 5**

- **9AM St. Luke Men's Prayer Breakfast** - Fr. John invites the men of our parish to join him at the monthly gathering for breakfast, fellowship and mutual spiritual support.
- **5PM Great Vespers** – Plan now to attend Saturday's evening service of prayers and Old Testament readings as we look forward to Zacchaeus Sunday on February 6.

**February 13 - SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY - St. Luke Faith in Action: Food for the Needy**