

**SAINT LUKE SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA - ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON
6801 GEORGETOWN PIKE, MC LEAN, VIRGINIA 22101**

www.oca.org www.wdcoca.org www.stlukemclean.org

**ARCHPRIEST JOHN VITKO – (925) 667-6451 (c), (703) 893-1759 (Church office)
DEACON STEFAN GLOMAZIC - (617) 784-0939**

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

**ZACCHAEUS SUNDAY
VENERABLE EUTHYMIUS THE GREAT**

Epistle Reading

1 Timothy 4:9-15

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:1-10

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open paradise! For the myrrh bearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy.

Troparion (Zacchaeus Sunday)

Thou didst treasure the wealth of salvation and hate unjust gains, O blessed Zacchaeus. When the Saviour came to thy house, thou didst bring forth the fruits of repentance: the righting of wrongs, protection of the poor, and a new, God-pleasing life.

Troparion (St. Euthymius)

Be glad, O desert which hast not given birth; be of good cheer, you who have not travailed; for a man of desires has multiplied your spiritual children and planted them in piety, and through abstinence, he brought them unto the perfection of the virtues. Through his supplications, O Christ our God, make our life peaceful.

Kontakion (St. Euthymius)

Creation rejoiced at your august birth, and at your divine memorial, O Venerable one, and gladly received many of your miracles; now bestow them abundantly upon our souls, and wash away the stains of our sins, / that we may sing: "Alleluia!"

Kontakion (Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold people 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!

Zacchaeus Sunday, the Lenten Spring and Pascha

Today is the first sign of the coming of Great Lent on March 3 and Pascha on April 20.

Welcome to all guests via livestream and those in person with us today. We invite you to join us for Coffee Hour. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John and Deacon Stefan.

Reception into the Catechumenate

At the beginning of today's Divine Liturgy, Stephen Shepherdson and Edward Joy will be received as Catechumens. God bless their spiritual journeys and formal instruction in the Orthodox Christian Faith.

Memory Eternal + Većnaja Pamjat +

We pray for the souls of newly departed Afifeh, James Mousavi's grandmother, Sofia Willis' father Eric on his 40th day, Zeljko Bogetic's uncle Žarko and Sister Nonna Harrison on the anniversaries of their falling asleep. We also pray for the lives lost in last week's plane crash, including the father and son of the Aparicio family who lived near the Romanchaks. Grant rest eternal in blessed repose, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants.

Home Blessings: We can invite Fr. John to bless our homes throughout February.

St. Sava Slava – Thank You

Many thanks to everyone who helped with our celebration and donated to the church. God bless the Slava Kumovi Mark and Sue Mamula for their inspiring message.

MaRiH Center Collection – Thank You

Last week's donations of diapers and infant care items were received gratefully at the MaRiH Pregnancy Care Center in Alexandria, VA along with our \$750 in donations.

Thank you to everyone who donated refreshments for today's Coffee Hour.

Orthodoxy 201 - Wednesday, February 5 at 7PM on Zoom

Fr. John will email the Zoom link and notes on Psalms 9-11 for our study of "Christ in the Psalms". Everyone is welcome to attend.

Lenten Triodion Begins – Sunday, February 9

Next Sunday we begin the Triodion that includes four Sundays of pre-lenten preparation, six weeks of Great Lent and Holy Week to help prepare mind, body and spirit for Pascha.

SOUPer Bowl Sunday – Faith in Action: Food Collection - February 9

Next Sunday is our food collection day for the homeless and working poor families in our local area. Please donate soup and other canned and boxed foods, \$25 grocery gift cards, and cash for the Food Bank at United Community in Alexandria, VA.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

May God bless those celebrating their birthdays: Aida Renee Zaki (3), Stela Pehlivanova and Daniel Pehlivanov, Loic Alou, Deborah Hughes, Kim and Sebastien Renaud, and to our friends down south, Lynn Anna Johnson and Wynne Maksimovic. Many Years also to His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon on the 12th anniversary of his enthronement.