October 18, 2026

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke

Martyr Marinos the Elder at Anazarbos; Venerable Theodore, Simeon and Euphrosyne

As we enter the Church let us pray.....
I will come into Thy House In the multitude of Thy mercy;
And in Thy fear I will worship toward Thy Holy Temple.

Resurrectional Apolytikion in Tone 3
Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Apolytikion of St Luke the Evangelist in Tone 3
O holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, intercede with the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

Apolytikion of St. John Chrysostom - Tone 8
Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe. It has shown to the world the riches of poverty. It has revealed to us the heights of humility. Teaching us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls!

Ordinary Kontakion – Tone 2
O undisputed intercessor of Christians, O mediatrix, unrejected by the creator, turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners. Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith, for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos, who didst ever intercede for those who honor thee.

THE SYNAXARION

On October 18 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke.

Verses

Though near Emmaus I was kept from Thy vision,
Yet now, saith Luke, I see Thee, O Christ, distinctly.
On the eighteenth Luke reached the limit of his life.

He was born in Antioch. In his youth, he excelled in his studies of Greek philosophy, medicine and art. During the ministry of the Lord Jesus on earth, Luke came to Jerusalem, where he saw the Savior face to face, heard His saving teaching and was witness to His miraculous works. Coming to believe in the Lord, Luke was numbered among the Seventy Apostles, and was sent out to preach. With Cleopas, he saw the resurrected Lord on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24). After the descent of the Holy Spirit, Luke returned to Antioch and there became a fellow worker of the Apostle Paul and traveled to Rome with him, converting Jews and pagans to the Christian Faith. At the request of Christians, he wrote his Gospel in about the year 60. Following the martyrdom of the great Apostle Paul, Luke preached the Gospel throughout Italy, Dalmatia, Macedonia and other regions. He painted three icons of the Most-holy Theotokos—one of which is protected by the nuns of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Convent of Our Lady of Saydnaya in Syria. He also painted icons of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. Hence, Luke is considered to be the founder of Christian iconography. In old age, he visited Libya and Upper Egypt. From Egypt he returned to Greece, where he continued to preach and convert many with great zeal despite his old age. In addition to his Gospel, Luke wrote the Acts of the Apostles and dedicated both works to Theophilus, the governor of Achaia. Luke was 84 years old when the wicked idolaters tortured him for the sake of Christ and hanged him from an olive tree in the town of Thebes, in Boethia. The miracle-working relics of this wonderful saint were transported to Constantinople in the reign of Emperor Constantius, the son of Constantine.

On this day, we also commemorate Martyr Marinos the Elder at Anazarbos; and Venerable Theodore, Simeon and Euphrosyne, founders of the Monastery of the Great Cave in the Peloponnesus. By the intercessions of Thy saints, O Christ our God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

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THE EPISTLE
(For St. Luke)
His voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.
The reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (4:5-11, 14-18)

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THE GOSPEL
(For St. Luke)
The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (10:16-21)

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OCTOBER IS TEEN SOYO RECOGNITION MONTH

The Inquirer's Class – will meet this Sunday following the Divine Liturgy. Next Inquirer's class is Sunday, November 1st, following the Divine Liturgy. These classes are for those studying the Orthodox Christian Faith, and those wishing to deepen their understanding of the Faith. All are welcome.

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Welcome to Visitors.

Orthodox parishes do not practice open communion. Holy Communion is reserved for Baptized, Chrismated Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and recent confession. All other visitors are warmly invited to receive the blessed bread (antidoron) at the end of the service

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St John Chrysostom Antiochian Orthodox Church is a parish of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America

His Eminence Metropolitan SABA, Metropolitan of New York and North America

His Grace Bishop Thomas, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic

The V. Rev. Peter Pier, Pastor

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Attendance 10-11-2026: 235

Operating Fund Offering Received 10/11/2026: $6507

Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: $7,443.00

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Church Calendar

Sat. Oct 17	6:00 pm Great Vespers
Sun. Oct 18	8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy, SCS, Inquirer's Class, Parish Council, **Saints Festival**
Tues. Oct 20	8:30 Pray & Play
Wed. Oct 21	8:30 am Pre-Communion 9:00am Divine Liturgy; 6:00 pm Vespers
Thurs Oct 22	6:30 pm Lancaster Fellowship
Sat. Oct 24	6:00 pm Great Vespers.
Sun. Oct 25	8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy, **Annual Meeting, Annual Hot Dog Sale**

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Remember In Your Prayers

Before they call, I will answer, while they are yet speaking, I will hear" (Is. 65:24)

The Living – for their health &wellbeing

Metropolitan SABA
Bishop Thomas
Denise Zakula
Subdeacon Bartholomew and Olena Bassarab
Matthew Miller
Officer Jamie Miller
Joyce "Kasaine" Williams
Michael Acierno
Vera Timko
Beverly Kushner
Michelle Prince
Richard "Stephen" Vangel
Joshua "John" Ranck
Ronna "Sophia" Castle
Marko Bourne
Christine Bogosh
Sasha Florenz
Marjorie "Marion" Barrett

The Departed – Memory Eternal!

Metropolitan PHILIP
Bishop Antoun
Priest Boniface Black
Helen Diamond
Angela Burke
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson
Georgette Habib Soliman
Joseph Danyo
Leavitt "George" Keener
Reader Nicholas and Mary Jane Glagola
Norm "Nourhan" and Eva "Marie" Kailian
Nicholas Raptapolus
Walter and Mary Damm
Donnell Gregory and Mary "Rebecca" Beck
Michael Bogosh
Christos Tsakiris
Harry and Grace Dorion
Marianne Rupp and Mary Bincarowsky
Gene "Paul" Strayer
Katherine Monsour
George and Darla Feeser
Cindi "Monica" Bennett
Mary Kopey
Martha Allen
Mary Lou Grove
Melinda "Magdalena" Stika
James Fetter
Andrew Himes
Patty May
Julie Acierno
Vincent Michael Terzano-Borovic
Steven Smith
Edward Boner
Cheryl "Alexandra" Bury
Thomas Lehman
Barry "John" Hart
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Kathryn Velen
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