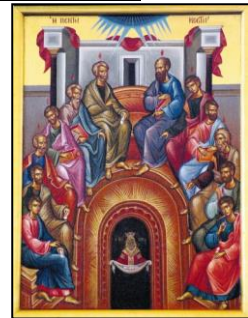
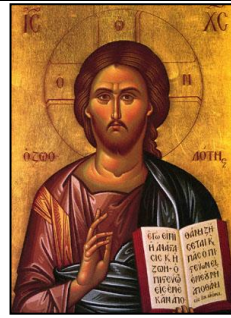




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### Liturgical Guide for Monday, June 17, 2019

#### **Feast of the Holy Spirit – Monday of the Holy Spirit**

ON THIS DAY, THE MONDAY AFTER PENTECOST, THE CHURCH CELEBRATES THE ALL-HOLY, LIFE-GIVING, AND ALMIGHTY SPIRIT, GOD, ONE OF THE TRINITY, SAME IN HONOR, ESSENCE AND GLORY WITH THE FATHER AND THE SON. WE ALSO COMMEMORATE Isaurus the Holy Martyr & His Companions of Athens; Manuel, Sabel, & Ishmael the Martyrs of Persia; Righteous Father Botolph, Abbot of the Monastery of Ikanhoe; and Alban the Protomartyr of Britain. *By the coming of Your Holy Spirit, by the intercessions of Your Apostles, O Christ God, have mercy on us. Amen.*

### Welcome, Visitors and Newcomers, to our Parish!

We invite you to enter your name and mail/email addresses in our Guest Register (near the entrance) if you are interested in joining and assisting with our mission's development. We want to keep you informed of our schedule and location of services.

*You and your family are welcome; we look forward to knowing you. We invite you and your family to join and assist us often!*

*Please consider that only baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians in canonical good standing may approach for Holy Communion. All are invited to partake of the Antidoron ("instead of the gifts") distributed at the conclusion of today's Divine Liturgy.*

## **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. Special Hymn instead of Trisagion Hymn – (Hymnal-pp.292-293):**

*On the occasion of today's feast, we sing the following hymn instead of the Trisagion hymn: "As many of you as have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves in Christ. Alleluia. (3)"*

### **8 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.

**9. 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**

*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.* – St. John Chrysostom

**Epistle Reading (Ephesians 5:8-19)**

*For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light – for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts,*

**Gospel Reading (Matthew 18:10-20)**

*Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost. If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not*

*listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”*

On this the sixteenth year of celebrating the Feast of the Holy Spirit together at St. Christopher’s, 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**

**Monday, June 17 (Feast of the Holy Spirit):**

**5:00 pm Orthros Service**

**6:00 pm Divine Liturgy (Evening), followed by Community Dinner (non-fasting)**

*Please join us for the*



*If you cannot attend, please consider a tax-deductible donation to St. Christopher Outreach Ministry.*