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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018
***ST. ABERCIUS, THE BISHOP AND
WONDERWORKER OF HIEROPOLIS***
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel Reading
Luke 16:19-31

*Christ is in our midst!
He is and ever shall be!*

Troparion for St. Abercius, Bishop and Wonderworker of Hieropolis

You appeared to your flock as a rule of faith, an Image of humility and a teacher of abstinence. Because of your lowliness, Heaven was opened to you, because of your poverty, riches were granted to you. O Holy Bishop Abercius, pray to Christ our God to save our souls!

Kontakion

All the Church honors you, Abercius, the Great Bishop equal to the Apostles! O blessed one worthy of all praise, through your intercession keep the Church victorious, calm and unshaken.

Stewards of the OCA (SOCA) Appeal

His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon and the Holy Synod of Bishops ask each of us to support the Stewards of the OCA. The Church runs on a lean budget where its department ministries must be funded by donations to SOCA. These ministries include Christian Education (Sunday School materials), Youth and Young Adults, Liturgical Music, and Christian Service & Humanitarian Aid that provides programs and resources for ministering to those in our parishes and the poor around us. Please consider donating to SOCA by offering cash or a check payable to the Orthodox Church in America (OCA) with “Stewards” in the memo line.

Welcome to Our Guests

We offer a warm welcome to all guests who are with us today. Please sign the guest book at the entrance and pick up a welcome folder. Join us for Coffee Hour. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life.

Today is the First Sunday of the Month

All contributions to our monthly Potluck Coffee Hour and our Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Needy are greatly appreciated.

St. Mark’s Annual Ethnic Food Festival and Bazaar – Today Noon to 4PM

Today is the final day of the Annual Food Festival & Bazaar at St. Mark Orthodox Church in Bethesda, MD. They are featuring Eastern European foods, breads and baked goods for dine-in or carry out. The Bazaar offers Fabergé-style jewelry, gifts and religious items. Go to 7124 River Rd. Bethesda, MD, <https://stmarkoca.org/>.

Vespers and Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, November 7 – 7:00-8:30PM

Vespers will be served Wednesday at 7PM followed by the study of the Divine Liturgy as the “Heavenly Banquet”. Everyone is invited for prayers and discussion.

Retreat at Holy Archangels Mission – Saturday, November 10, 1-4PM

V. Rev. John Parker, Dean of St. Tikhon's Seminary, will be leading a retreat at Holy Archangels Orthodox Church in Annapolis, MD on Saturday, November 10, 1-4PM, on “The Faith Once Delivered: Living and Witnessing to the Timeless Truth”. Find registration details at www.orthodoxannapolis.org.

Guest Clergy, Chaplain (Major) Sean Levine – Sunday, November 11

Fr. Sean will celebrate the Divine Liturgy next Sunday while Fr. John is on travel.

USA Veterans Day – Sunday-Monday, November 11-12

Lists are available to sign the names of living and departed veterans of our parish.

Transportation Request from Hagerstown, MD to St. Luke Church

Ilija Kovacevic is a student and basketball athlete from Serbia who is attending high school in Hagerstown. He came to our St. Luke Slava and wishes to come to St. Luke on Sundays. Anyone who can help or knows of someone, see Fr. John.

God Grant You Many Years!

May God bless Maria Damjan on her recent birthday! Mnogaja ljeta!