

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



CURRENT

OCTOBER 2021





Last weekend I made an unexpected Saturday stop by my office. I planned to run into the hall, grab the book I needed, and be on my way.

Imagine my surprise when I found a group of parishioners weeding the Church garden. This was not a scheduled event! These faithful stewards had not put out a sign-up sheet to ask for helpers! They saw an opportunity to beautify the Lord's house, and they acted accordingly.

Such acts of selfless giving abound in our community. Recently another family took the time to hang our Epitaphion in a frame that a friend of our community custom made for it. Another lent his natural strength to the installation of our Little Free Library. Still another is giving their time to help our young neighbors learn how to read. All of these things are being done quietly, and perhaps unnoticed.

I say this not to boast about what an active community we have, because we boast only in the Cross of Christ. Rather, I mention these acts of love to remind us that we all have a talent given to us by God. And we are all called to use that talent, whatever it may be, to beautify His house and glorify Him.

Let's all identify our talent, find where we can use it, and work together for the good of the ministries!

See you at Church!

FRDK

Fr. Dean



A Note from President and Stewardship Chairman Steve Markantone

The Miracle of the Seasons

Autumn is a powerful reminder that God has an incredible influence on our lives.

As the Greek
philosopher
Heraclitus once
said:



The only
CONSTANT
in life
IS CHANGE

Autumn reminds us of this constant change and the need to enjoy the moment. By caring and enjoying the people who are so important in our lives. Once we accept those unknowns, we have a greater capacity to live life to the fullest.

Autumn also represents self preservation as we spend more time indoors and focus on cultivating a safe and comforting home. In a way, the autumn season offers us a chance to reconnect with ourselves.



PHOTOS

Introducing our Little Free Library!

Have a book? Leave a book.

Need a book? Take a book!





We collaborated with The Pittsburgh Public Theater in celebration of their production of SLOW FOOD. Marya Sea Kaminski, the artistic director, assisted Tasso in making her first spanakopita.

All [#PPTSlowFood](#) ticket holders will have access to Chef Tasso's virtual Spanakopita cooking lesson.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

WHOOOOOOOOO

Can help feed families in need
during this holiday season?

You Can!

Presentation of Christ is partnering with the Rankin Christian Center to collect certain food items so that everyone who wants to prepare a Thanksgiving dinner can do so!



Now until November 15, 2020

Donations accepted at Olympia Hall
Tuesday thru Friday
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Or use the blue bin under the
Hall's portico to drop your donation
at any time!

Olympia Hall
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East Pittsburgh, PA 15112

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Items Needed

Canned Vegetables

- Corn
- Green Beans
- Peas
- Carrots
- Sweet Potatoes
- Pumpkin

Canned Soups, Stews, or Gravy

Boxed Mash Potatoes

Boxed Stuffing

Cranberry Sauce

Juice - Any Flavor, Any Size

Applesauce

Dry Pasta



Rankin Christian Center

230 3rd Ave, Rankin, PA 15104
M-F 8AM – 5PM | 412-271-8313

WELCOME BACK, STUDENTS!!!

Fall 2021



Beginning in September, we return to Sunday
School in person after Divine Liturgy

THE THEME FOR THE FALL
IS "LEARNING ABOUT THE
DIVINE LITURGY."



LITTLE LAMBS SUNDAY SCHOOL

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AGES 3-5

Each lesson
includes a prayer,
the Saint of the Day,
an activity, a story,
and a song related
to the monthly
theme.

***Returning In
Person in
September!!!***

~ Tentative ~

October 2021

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Sunday School after Conclusion of Divine Liturgy	4	5 9:30 AM Morning Prayer at Church	6 6:30 PM Paraklesis 7:30 PM Orthodox Education	7	8	9
10 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Sunday School after Conclusion of Divine Liturgy 11:00 AM, Philoctochos Meeting	11	12 7:00 PM, Parish Council Meeting	13 2:00 PM, Dinner prep for the Neighborhood Resilience Project	14	15	16
17 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Sunday School after Conclusion of Divine Liturgy	18	19 9:30 AM Morning Prayer at Church	20 6:30 PM Paraklesis 7:30 PM Orthodox Education	21	22	23 11:00 AM, Food Pantry/Hot Meal (prep beings 8:30)
24/31 8:30 AM Matins 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Sunday School after Conclusion of Divine Liturgy	25 Vigil, Feast of St. Demetrios 5:30 PM Matins 6:30 PM Divine Liturgy	26 9:30 AM Morning Prayer at Church 10:00 AM Sandwiches for Rankin Christian Center	27	28	29	30

Please check the Church's Online Calendar and Father Dean's Weekly Emails for the most up to date information.

Presentation of Christ Greek Orthodox Church

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Under the jurisdiction of the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, His Eminence Elpidophoros Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and His Eminence Metropolitan Savas. The mission of the Presentation of Christ is to proclaim with joy the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to teach and spread the Orthodox Christian Faith and to be a community devoted to and energized by the love of God and our neighbor.

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Sunday Services
Matins – 8:30 AM
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 AM

Stefanos Giannikas, Chanter
Filia Arvanitis, Chanter
Thomas Rosvanis, Chanter

Paraklesis Service – Wednesday at 6:30 PM
Orthodox Adult Education - Wednesday at 7:30 PM

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Organizations & Committees

Y.A.S.O.U.	Tootie Pranis, President
Philoptochos	Sylvia Graziano, President
Choir	Tom Rosvanis, Director & President
Organists	Marguerite Ellis; Roula Kyros
Young Professionals	Steve and Chris Burns
Y.A.L.	Nick Stupakis; Dean Leventopoulos
Grecian Odyssey	Mary Doreza, Director; Elias Bardis, President
Dancers	
Junior Olympian	Michelle Kotsagrellos, Director; Jamie Orfanopoulos, Director; Elias
Dancers	Bardis, Asst. Director; Maria Bardis, Asst. Director
GAPA	Elias Bardis, President
Book & Icon Store	Deborah Grysiak