



The LIGHT House Sunday School News

Building Up The Body of Christ – Year of the Family

October 13, 2019

Church Calendar
Fifth Sunday After the Exaltation
Readings
Is 19:1-11, Gal 2:1-10, Mk 12:35-44.

Sundays: Look Ahead Calendar of Events

Oct 20	Sixth Sunday After Exaltation
Oct 27	Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross
Nov 3	20 th Anniversary of Enthronement of Karekin II, Catholicos of all Armenians

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Absent Teacher On-Call: Anna Robinson (401-580-6788)

Today's Schedule

Grades PreK-10

- Classes meet at 10am

Save the Dates:

- Sunday, October 20th: Assembly – Bread & Salt Video with the Student Advisory Board
- Sunday, October 27th: Assembly – Learn Armenian Hymns with Lisa Z

Visit these Websites: <https://vemkar.us/> <http://www.stvoski.org/embed.html>

<https://armenianchurch.us/>

On-Going Charitable Projects: *charitable giving includes canned goods collections, hygienic products collection, weekly plate collection, winter warmth items and the Lenten Drive*

- Contribute and participate in the **quarterly Mary House Service Program**
 - **Nov 25, April 6, June 22**

- **Hygiene Products – Toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, Kleenex, toilet paper, hand sanitizers, deodorants** – container is in Sunday School Hall
- **Keep Warm This Winter** – hats, gloves, mittens, sox, scarfs – to be donated to Mary’s House - drive from November to March --- container is in Sunday School Hall
- **Weekly Sunday School student plate donation**

From DCE:

From Today’s Readings

Mark 12:35-44 Jesus challenges the scribes to acknowledge that while of Davidic descent, He is David’s *Lord* and *God’s Son*. He then contrasts the self-important temple leaders and the wealthy with a poor widow who gave a much greater share of what she had to the temple offering. *Discuss/reflect: What qualities of Christian living is Jesus extolling? (Genuine humility in leaders, see 10:42-45; true generosity – not giving what is convenient but what reflects your priorities and love.) When is “more” actually “less?” When is “a little” “a lot?”*

Galatians 2:1-10 St. Paul is addressing the validity of his authority as an apostle, challenged by conservative traditionalists who thought non-Jews needed to become Jews first before accepting Christ. Confident in his calling to the Gentiles, Paul cites the freedom to become someone new in accepting Jesus. *Discuss/reflect: St. Paul is not impressed with the men who seemed important (v.6). Why not? (He knew that God did not judge by external appearances; further, they were obstacles to the Gospel message that Paul was called to share with the Gentiles.) What message were the apostles conveying when they told St. Paul that, whatever the controversies, he should always remember to care for the poor?*

Isaiah 19:1-11 Isaiah asserts that even Egypt, a great and fearful power upon which people depended, is subject to God’s will; their idols would be crushed and their destiny cruelly altered. *Discuss/reflect: Egypt’s plans (v 3), natural resources (vv 5-10), and leadership (v 11) are all dependent upon God. What should that have said to the Jews who were looking to Egypt instead of God for help? What does that say to you?*

Holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John (Saturday, October 19)



The four Gospels are among the most beloved books of the Bible. As those who lived during Jesus’ time began to age and die, people felt it important to record the accounts of those who had known Him. There were many gospels circulating in the early centuries of the church. But the gospels that grew widely popular, were read most often, and sanctioned by the church elders entered the canon as offering a full and authentic picture of Jesus Christ. These four Gospels are considered *sacred* biographies for although they are certainly biographical and historical, they are primarily a personal witness to the life and teachings of Jesus Christ as understood by a particular writer, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

During *Badarak*, when the deacon elevates the Gospel book over his head or whenever we kiss the Gospel book, we are lovingly acknowledging its value and authority in our lives. As Christians, we are called to *be* the Gospel. God has chosen us to be His evangelists and inspire others to experience Jesus Christ.

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October Family Worship Sunday

