

## GENERAL SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Feast-Day Liturgy at 9:00am

Sunday Liturgy at 10:00am

Vespers Service on Saturdays: 5:00pm

Vespers Service on the eve of a Feast-Day: 5:00pm



### Schedule of Upcoming Church Services

#### Sunday, February 9

Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am

#### The Precious Pearl

"The enjoyment of this present life, though it seems to give delight and sweetness, is well thrust from us. At the very moment of its being, it ceases to be, and for our joy repays us with sorrow sevenfold. Its happiness and sorrow are more frail than a shadow and quickly disappear, like the traces of a ship passing over the sea or a bird flying through the air. But the hope of the life to come which the Christians preach is certain and quite sure; however, in this world, it has tribulation, whereas our pleasures now are short-lived, and in the beyond, they only win us correction and everlasting punishment without release. The pleasures of life are temporary, but their pain is eternal; while the Christians' labors are temporary, their pleasure and gain are immortal. Therefore, the right thing is to exchange the corruptible for the incorruptible."

- St. John of Damascus

## ST. GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**February 2, 2025**

***32nd Sunday after Pentecost***

Epistle Reading: 1 Tim. 4:9-15

Gospel Reading: Luke 19:1-10

#### Liturgical Message

In Luke 19:1-10, we read about Zacchaeus, a tax collector who climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus. Though he was a man of wealth and status, his heart was restless, seeking something more significant than worldly riches. Jesus, seeing his faith and desire for change, called Zacchaeus down and went to his house, showing that salvation is for all who sincerely repent. This encounter reminds us that Christ does not look at our past sins but our willingness to turn toward Him.

Zacchaeus' response to Jesus was one of immediate repentance and action. He promised to give half his wealth to the poor and restore fourfold to anyone he had wronged. His transformation was not just a private feeling but a visible, concrete change in his life. This teaches us that true repentance is not just saying sorry but turning away from sin and striving to live in righteousness. Christ's words, "Today salvation has come to this house," affirm that God welcomes and restores those who come to Him with a sincere heart.

The story of Zacchaeus is a message of hope and encouragement. No one is beyond God's mercy, no matter how lost they may seem. Jesus came "to seek and to save the lost," reminding us that our faith should be active. We should seek Christ just as Zacchaeus did. We, too, must be willing to humble ourselves, turn away from sin, and joyfully welcome Christ into our hearts, knowing that His love and salvation are always within reach.

# TODAY

## Fellowship Luncheon

Sunday, February 2, 2025  
After the Divine Liturgy at HOSTG

### MENU

Ćevapi  
Pljeskavice  
Potato Salad  
Cabbage Salad  
Kajmak  
Lepinja

Sponsored by Kristina and Nikola Đorović



## Gibanica Day

Sunday, February 23, 2025



Join Us for a Delicious Celebration of Serbian Tradition!

Come and experience the rich flavors of traditional Serbian cheese pitas (gibanicas), lovingly prepared by the talented ladies of our parish.

Enjoy an afternoon filled with food, culture, and fellowship!

Wine and Cheese Tasting Event  
Friday, February 28, 2025



*Halls of St. George*  
is hosting an  
**EXCLUSIVE**  
*WINE & CHEESE*  
**TASTING**  
*EVENT*

Only \$25  
(sold in advance and at the door)

As well as a Rakija tasting!!!

*February 28, 2025 7pm-12am*

Wine and Rakija Vendors: Savich Winery, Bozic Imports, Lav Imports



Live Music by

*LUTA JUCE*  
*SRCE*

Space will be limited!

Contact us to reserve  
your spot!

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