

ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK



OUR CHURCH. OUR SPIRITUAL HOME.

St. George Greek Orthodox Church
ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

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Dear Friends of St. George,

Xristos Anesti! Christ is Risen!

Our St. George Church is our spiritual home. It is a place of prayer, comfort, spiritual healing, and celebration. You may have been brought here on your 40th day, or it may have been the destination of your spiritual journey. For both, St. George is a spiritual home to which we may always return. We are brothers and sisters in Christ – a family. One day, God will ask His stewards, us, "What have you done for my church under your watch with the gifts I have given you?"

This past year we continued ministry programs in the areas of Youth, Seniors and Outreach. The Greek School we initiated in 2020 brought us 42 registrations this year and many happy and satisfied families. Our 2021 Festival broke most financial records even though we were technically in a pandemic. Our Greek dance performers, which ranged from ages 5 – 38, numbered about 30 with 3 separate groups involved. We completed a lecture series for the first time in the history of St. George. In the coming year we expect to launch a Sunday School and add a Liturgical study of our Divine services to our religious education series of book club and bible study. The building and grounds improvements are too many to list in this letter but joining our email and mailing list will keep us all up to date with the latest and upcoming enhancements.

We ask you to support these worthy ministries. Giving to His Church is a way of thanking God for His grace and generosity. The question is not, "What are the dues?" but "How can I thank God for my many blessings?" We are stewards of the Gospel and the stewards of our parish. We see our church, not as it is, but as it could be. We offer our treasure and ourselves sacrificially, so that, as members of the Body of Christ, we may reach our full potential in Him.

Please consider completing the attached Commitment Card and returning it to the church office. We ask that you give prayerful consideration to the commitment your family will be making. A check mailed to the church is most meaningful when accompanied by your presence, by your willingness to serve, by your prayers, and by your commitment. Giving is not a substitute for commitment – it is an expression of your commitment and an expression of thanks for the many blessings in your family's life.

Respectfully,

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