

Week of March 13

Abiding in the Vine and Praying from the Head

“I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing.” (John 15:5)

“If you abide in Me and My words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.” (John 15:7)

We live in the Divine Trinity by abiding in Christ as the true vine. As branches of the vine, we need to abide in the vine. To be in the Lord is a matter of union; to abide in the Lord is a matter of fellowship. The Christian life is a life of abiding in the Lord.

We abide in the Triune God by the teaching of the anointing. The anointing, as the moving and working of the compound Spirit within us, anoints God into us so that we may be saturated with God, possess God, and understand the mind of God; the anointing communicates the mind of Christ as the Head of the Body to His members by the inner sense, the inner consciousness, of life. (*Living in and with the Divine Trinity*, msg. 2, III, B, 2, 4; III.D, 4)

May we all exercise to pray according to the inner anointing, the inner consciousness of life, according to the mind of Christ as the Head of the Body.

SCYP Spring High School Conferences

The Spring High School Conferences are March 18 to 20 for sisters and March 25 to 27 for brothers. These gatherings will be held in a hybrid format with options to join online or in person at Oak Glen. The topic is “Samuel—A Man According to God,” and will show the example of an overcoming Nazarite who, in the midst of an age of degradation, was consecrated, sanctified, and separated absolutely and ultimately to God.

We encourage all the saints—especially the parents, serving ones and college students—to pray for the Lord to appear to every young person during these times that they would volunteer themselves to Him for His purpose!

Refugees from Ukraine

More than 1.5 million refugees from the Ukraine have or will come into the European Union nations. Local churches in Europe are getting involved in hospitality for saints from Ukraine, and in preparing and distributing care packages and gospelizing at public locations. These actions have begun in Germany, Poland, Romania and Slovakia.

Please pray for the Lord’s bountiful supply of the Spirit and physical stamina to all who volunteer to participate in these actions; may they enjoy the Lord as their grace, wisdom, and endurance. Pray for the care and comforting of the saints who have escaped into Europe. Also pray for the gospel to run among the refugees and for many to be brought into the church life.

As for the those who remain in Ukraine, continue to pray that the tripartite being of the saints who are under attack, including the brothers fighting in the army, will be protected and preserved. Pray that Satan’s kingdom will suffer loss and that God’s economy will advance in the spreading of the gospel and the building up of the Body.

A Report from Gut Elim

Lord’s Day, March 13, the church in Bielefeld joined us for the Lord’s table and lunch at Gut Elim (the conference center of the churches in Germany, pronounced *goot*). About 90 Ukrainian refugees are here with about 20 serving saints from churches in Germany. From 9 to 11:30 am we watched a Ukrainian Lord’s Table on Zoom. Then we had a break. The Lord’s table here started at 12 (all of us together) and ended after 2. Saints from multiple places with music and translation skills served together. A brother spoke in English and was translated into German and Russian. Multiple saints from Ukraine also stood to share. Afterwards, brothers moved tables and chairs and Bielefeld saints loaded the tables with food. Then we had a huge love feast and everyone stayed until quite late.

Zurich, Switzerland

From March 19 to 20, the saints in Tübingen, Germany will blend with the saints in Zurich, Switzerland and other surrounding localities, during which a Bible distribution in Zurich will take place. Please for the Lord's covering and mutual encouragement through the blending and definite contacts among the local Swiss people during the times of the Bible distribution.

Laos

Pray for the proofreading and printing of the translated materials of the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke in the Lao language to be completed by the end of 2022.

Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 2 of *Living in and with the Divine Trinity* (Thanksgiving Conference).
2. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** Live broadcast this Wednesday beginning at 7:25 pm at lsm.org/live in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean. Outlines will be posted on the same site.
3. **Opportunities for Giving:** As the Lord leads, saints may give through the Church in Los Angeles designated for 'Ukraine', 'Sacramento' or 'Atlanta Meeting Hall'.
4. **Bibles for America's** latest blog post is "How to Be Freed from Anxiety" based on Philippians 4:6.
5. **Living Stream Ministry:** The February issue of "*Having This Ministry...*" includes fellowship on the need for training in the Lord's recovery and a report on the literature work in Turkey and Sri Lanka.
6. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.