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Delivery & Differentiation

Lesson Purpose: Students meet St. Luke as an Apostle, Evangelist, physician, companion of St. Paul, and servant of the early Church, and see how he offered his gifts in service to Christ.
Core Teaching: St. Luke's life shows faithful Christian witness through mission, friendship, skilled work, writing, and service.
Early Learner Emphasis: St. Luke loved Christ, travelled with St. Paul, was a doctor, and wrote about Jesus.
Elementary Emphasis: Apostle; Evangelist; physician; Gospel of Luke; Acts; faithful companion of St. Paul.
Older Student Extension: Distinguish what Scripture states directly from what the Church receives through tradition; connect Luke's Gospel and Acts as a two-part witness to Christ and the apostolic Church.
Source Safeguard: Scripture calls Luke the beloved physician and names him among Paul's coworkers. The identification of Luke as the second Emmaus disciple and the tradition that he painted the first icons of the Theotokos are Church traditions; teach them as such.
Naming Safeguard: This lesson concerns St. Luke the Apostle and Evangelist, not St. Luke of Crimea, the twentieth-century bishop and surgeon.
Calendar Note: November 1 is the Year I teaching date. Do not present it as the universal feast date; the saint's liturgical commemoration depends on the calendar used by the local Church.

Activity Guidance
Early Learners: Draw or dictate one simple example for SENT, TRAVELLED, WROTE, and SERVED. Provide separate drawing paper as needed.
Elementary: Give one accurate example for each movement and complete "My Gifts for Christ."
Older Students: Explain how Luke's different gifts worked together in one life of Christian service.

Materials Note: If students choose to draw their responses, provide blank paper or separate drawing sheets, along with pencils, crayons, or coloured pencils as appropriate. The printed activity page is intended primarily to guide the activity and does not provide sufficient space for larger drawings.

Main Point to Remember
Have students repeat:
"St. Luke used his gifts to serve Christ."

Older-student formulation:
"St. Luke served Christ and His Church as an apostle, companion of St. Paul, evangelist, physician, and faithful witness."

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Answer Key & Resource Control

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Discussion Questions — Teacher Answer Key

1. St. Luke was an Apostle, Evangelist, physician, companion of St. Paul, preacher, and servant of the early Church. Any two accurate examples are acceptable.
2. Evangelist means one who proclaims/writes the Gospel. St. Luke is connected with the Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles.
3. St. Paul calls Luke "the beloved physician."
4. Paul says, "Only Luke is with me," showing Luke's faithful companionship during a difficult period.
5. Church tradition identifies Luke as the unnamed disciple who walked with Cleopas and encountered the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus.
6. Orthodox tradition remembers St. Luke as the first iconographer of the Mother of God.
7. SENT → TRAVELLED → WROTE → SERVED.
8. Answers vary; examples include learning carefully, helping someone, using artistic skill, reading Scripture, encouraging a friend, serving at church, or caring for someone in need.

Resource Control

Book Study: The Law of God, Part III, Chapter 60; supporting use of Part I, Chapter 13 and Part IV, Chapter 2.
Scripture: Colossians 4:14; 2 Timothy 4:11; Philemon 24; Luke 10:1–3; Luke 24:13–35.
Orthodox Reference: OCA Life of the Apostle and Evangelist Luke; OCA feast troparion/kontakion; GOARCH Feast of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke.

Teaching Control

Keep direct Scripture statements distinct from Church tradition. Do not overstate uncertain chronology or biography. The lesson's goal is not trivia but faithful Christian service through the gifts God gives.

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