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JUDAISM AND THE EASTERN CHURCHES a lecture by THE REV. ROBERT G. STEPHANOPoulos, PH.D.

A renowned ecumenist, theologian, author, lecturer and pastor, Father Robert has been a priest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America for 48 years and served 25 years as Dean of the Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, New York City before retiring in 2007. While at the Archdiocesan Cathedral he developed innovative social outreach programs in the greater Archdiocesan Cathedral community, was instrumental in initiating live television and Internet broadcasts of the weekly Sunday Divine Liturgy and was the recipient of the Holy Trinity Award, bestowed upon individuals dedicated to serving others. Prior to his work at the Archdiocese Cathedral, Father Robert also served as pastor of St. Demetrios Church, Fall River, MA and the Church of Our Savior, Rye, NY and as Dean of Sts. Constantine and Helen Cathedral in Cleveland Heights, OH.

A graduate of Holy Cross School of Theology, Brookline, MA, Father Robert studied one year at the University of Athens School of Theology and received a Ph.D. in Ecumenics, Missions and World Religions from Boston University. He has been an Adjunct Professor of Eastern Christian Thought at St. John’s University for 24 years, where last year they conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology, honoris causa. Long active in interreligious outreach and dialogue, he has served as Ecumenical Officer of the Archdiocese, and was the first Orthodox and youngest person ever elected recording secretary of the National Council of Churches. Author of several books including Guidelines for Orthodox Christians in Ecumenical Relations, he is a Founding Member of Orthodox Dialogues with Catholics, Anglicans, Evangelicals and Jews. A frequent participant in international conferences, Father Robert was a member of the Church Leaders Peace Pilgrimage to the Middle East (December 1991); the 7th Assembly of the World Council of Churches in a Canberra, Australia (1991); and was a member of the National Council of Churches delegation to the USSR in 1974.

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