THE DIVINE LITURGIES OF OUR HOLY FATHERS
JOHN CHRYSOSTOM AND BASIL THE GREAT

Responses and Hymns
set to the Carpathian Plainchant

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FOREWORD

This edition of the Divine Liturgy with propers and commons has been prepared for the use of the faithful in the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh by the Intereparchial Liturgical Commission and the Intereparchial Music Commission. The text has been translated from the Greek original, compared with the Church Slavonic.

This new translation seeks to be consistent in rendering biblical and technical terms, faithful to the vocabulary and thought of the text’s original context in the patristic period, but also accessible to a contemporary American congregation. In a few instances, textual criticism based on the witness of manuscripts has guided the translation.

In general, translations of biblical quotes and allusions have been guided by The New American Bible (1970-1991) and by The Psalms (The Grail, 1963). In practice, biblical allusions have usually required fresh translations both to capture the distinctive readings of the Septuagint Old Testament and to accommodate the new context of these biblical texts in the Liturgy.

The musical settings are based on the Ruthenian tradition that has been handed down from one generation to another. After extensive research, discussion, and detailed comparisons of various written and oral sources, the Intereparchial Music Commission has compiled the plainchant settings of the Byzantine Liturgy found in this book. The musical renderings of historic scholars have been carefully adapted to accommodate the new English translation provided by the Intereparchial Liturgical Commission.

This book is approved for use in churches of the Byzantine Metropolitan Church Sui Juris of Pittsburgh, U.S.A., promulgated on the feast of the Theophany of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ, January 6, 2007. On and after the feast of the Holy and Pre-eminent apostles Peter and Paul, June 29, 2007, this text and its attendant music will be the sole liturgical text for the celebration of the Divine Liturgies of our Holy Fathers John Chrysostom and Basil the Great.

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Prayers of Preparation  
for  
The Divine Liturgy  

For the Faithful

*The Church’s book of the Divine Liturgy describes the preparation for the Liturgy by the clergy. They enter the sanctuary only after saying the appropriate prayers and venerating the icons. Then they vest and prepare the gifts of bread and wine that are offered in the Divine Liturgy and that become the Body and Blood of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ.*

*It is fitting, therefore, that all the faithful prepare themselves for the celebration of this holy mystery. The following prayers are recommended as a personal preparation.*

Through the prayers of our holy fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Glory to you, our God, glory to you.

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, everywhere present and filling all things, Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life, come and dwell within us, cleanse us of all stain, and save our souls, O gracious One.

*Throughout Pascha, the following is said in place of “Glory to you” and “Heavenly King.”*

Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life. *(Three times)*

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. *(Three times)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us; Lord, cleanse us of our sins; Master, forgive our transgressions; Holy One, come to us and heal our infirmities for your name’s sake.

Lord, have mercy. *(Three times)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.
Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (Twelve times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Come, let us worship our King and God.
Come, let us worship Christ, our King and God.
Come, let us worship and bow before the only Lord Jesus Christ the King and our God.

PSALM 22

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.
You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.
Your mercy, O Lord, shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell forever and ever.
PSALM 23

To the Lord belong the earth and its fullness,  
the world and all who dwell in it.  
It is he who set it on the seas;  
on the waters he made it firm.  

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?  
Who shall stand in his holy place?  
The man with clean hands and pure heart,  
who desires not worthless things,  
who has not sworn so as to deceive his neighbor.  

He shall receive blessings from the Lord  
and reward from the God who saves him.  
Such are the men who seek him,  
seek the face of the God of Jacob.  

O gates, lift high your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the king of glory!  

Who is the king of glory?  
The Lord, the mighty, the valiant,  
the Lord, the valiant in war.  

O gates, lift high your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the king of glory!  

Who is he, the king of glory?  
He, the Lord of armies,  
he is the king of glory.  

PSALM 115

I trusted even when I said:  
“I am sorely afflicted,”  
and when I said in my alarm:  
“No man can be trusted.”  

What can I return to the Lord  
for all he has given me?  
I shall take the chalice of salvation,  
and call upon the name of the Lord.
TROPARIA OF PREPARATION

O Lord, born of the Virgin, do not look upon my sins, but cleanse my heart, and make it a temple for your most pure Body and precious Blood. Do not cast me away from your presence, for you are merciful without limit.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

How can I approach and partake of your holy mysteries, for I am unworthy; and if I come to your wedding feast without the proper garment of worthiness of heart, I would but earn my condemnation. However, you, O Lord, are able to cleanse my soul and call me to the table of salvation. For you are the Lover of us all.

Now and ever and forever. Amen.

O Mother of God, great is the number of my sins, but I hasten to you, seeking salvation; visit my soul in its weakness and pray to your Son our God to grant me the forgiveness of my evil deeds. For you alone are truly blessed.
TROPARION OF GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY

While the illustrious disciples were enlightened as their feet were washed at the supper, the ungodly Judas, darkened by a sick love of silver, betrayed you – the just judge – to lawless judges. See how a money-hungry man hanged himself because of it; and flee the greedy soul who would do such things to the Teacher. O Lord, so good to everyone, glory to you!

Lord, have mercy. (Forty times)

1. Prayer of Our Holy Father Basil the Great

   Lord and Master Jesus Christ, my God, source of life and immortality, maker of all things visible and invisible, coeternal Son of the immortal Father, accept the repentance of me, a sinner. Incline your ear and hear my prayer: I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned before your face, and I am not worthy to lift up my eyes to your glory. I have provoked your goodness; I have transgressed your commandments and disobeyed your statutes. O Lord, be long-suffering with me and show me your mercy. O you who said through the prophet, “I desire not the death of the sinner, but that he may repent and live,” show me your love and forgive me. Wherefore, even unworthy of heaven and of earth as I am, I despair not of your salvation. In this life I have wholly yielded myself to sin and have become the slave of the pleasures of this world. I have defiled your image in me and turned my back on your loving kindness. When I consider your infinite compassion, I dare to come back to you, my God and my maker. Receive me, O Christ, as you received the Adulteress; accept me as you accepted the Prodigal Son, the Publican, and the thief on the cross. Take away the heavy burden of my sins, O you who take away the sins of the world. You heal human weaknesses and call to yourself and give rest to those who are weary and heavy-laden.

   Cleanse me, O Lord, from every stain of flesh and spirit; teach me to fulfill your will in fear and holiness that, having the witness of a pure conscience, I may receive my share of your holy things and may be united to your body and blood. May I have you to abide in me with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Grant me to receive the bread and wine which are your body and blood until my last breath and, thereby, to receive fellowship with the Holy Spirit as a provision for the journey to eternal life, and as an acceptable defense at your dread judgment-seat. Together with all your saints, may I be a partaker of the good things you have prepared for those who love you, O Lord my God. Amen.

2. Prayer of Our Venerable Father John Damascene

   Lord and Master Jesus Christ, my God, who alone have power to absolve from sins, forgive all my transgressions both voluntary and involuntary, committed in word or deed. O loving God, allow me to partake of your divine, glorious, and pure mysteries. Let my sharing in your body and blood be for the cleansing of my sins and the healing of my body and a pledge of the life to come and of your kingdom. You are a merciful God, loving, kind, and full of compassion, and to you I give glory. Amen.
3. Prayer of Our Holy Father Basil the Great

I know, O Lord, that if I partake unworthily of your pure body and precious blood, I will be guilty! I will be eating and drinking my own condemnation, not discerning your body and blood. When I consider your loving kindness, O my Christ and my God, I dare come to you who said, “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.” Be merciful to me a sinner, O Lord, and do not rebuke me. Deal with me according to your mercy. Let the bread and wine be for the healing of my soul and body, for the enlightenment of my mind, and for the protection of my life. Let them give me confidence in you and love for my brothers and sisters. Let them be for the amendment of my conduct, for perseverance, for increase in virtue, and for perfection in the communion of your Holy Spirit. Give me your body and blood, O Lord, as a provision for the journey to eternal life and for an acceptable defense at your judgment-seat. Do not let them be for my judgment or condemnation. Amen.

4. Prayer of Our Holy Father Simeon the New Theologian

From defiled lips and from a vile heart, an unclean tongue, and a polluted soul, receive this prayer, O Christ. Reject not my words, nor my demeanor, nor my persistence. Allow me, my Christ, to speak boldly of my own desires. Moreover, teach me what you want me to do and say. I have sinned more than the woman in the city who, knowing where you dined, O Christ my Master and God, bought ointment and dared to anoint your feet. As you did not reject her whose heart led her to you, do not despise me, O Word, but allow me also to clasp and embrace your feet and anoint them with a flood of tears, as with a precious ointment. Wash and purify me with your tears, O Word. Forgive my trespasses and grant me pardon. You know the multitude of my evil-doings. You know my wounds and my sores. But you also know my faith. You know what I intend to do and you hear my sighing. No tear is hidden from you, O God, my maker and deliverer. Your eyes behold that which I have not yet done, for in your book is written that which has not yet come to pass. Consider my lowliness. Look upon my affliction and pain. Forgive my every sin, O God of All, that with a pure heart, a fearful mind, and a contrite spirit, I may partake of your undefiled and most holy mysteries that bring divine life to all who eat and drink with a pure heart. For you said, O Master, “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.” True in every way is the word of my Lord and God. Partaking of deifying grace, I am no longer alone but with you, my Christ, the Light of the World. Do not allow me to live apart from you, O Giver of Life, who are my breath, my life, my joy, and the salvation of the world. Therefore, I draw near and you see my tears and my contrite soul. I beseech you, deliver me from my sins and grant me to partake without condemnation of your pure and life-creating mysteries, that, according to your word, you may remain in me, as wretched as I am. For, if I am found fallen from your grace, the tempter may deceive me and entice me from your deifying precepts. For this reason, bountiful Lord, I fall down before you and earnestly cry to you: As you accepted the Prodigal Son and the woman in the city when she came to you, so also receive me, prodigal and vile as I am. Now turning to you with contrition, O Savior, I know that no one has sinned against you as I have, nor done the things I have done. Yet I know too that neither the magnitude of the transgression nor the multitude of the sins surpasses the long-suffering patience of my God and his exceeding love for us. In your merciful
compassion you cleanse and raise up those who earnestly repent, and you make them partakers of the light and of your divine nature. Strange as it may seem to angels and human reason, you speak to us as if we are true friends. Inspired with boldness, confident of your rich mercy, O Christ, and with both rejoicing and trembling, I who am like grass partake of fire, and, amazingly, I am refreshed and, like the burning bush of old, I am not consumed. Filled with gratitude, I worship, glorify, and magnify you, my God, for you are blessed, now and ever and forever. Amen.

5. Prayer of Our Holy Father John Chrysostom

O God, absolve, remit, and forgive the transgressions I have committed in thought, word, or deed, voluntarily and involuntarily. Pardon all my sins, for you are a gracious and loving God. Allow me to receive your holy body and blood for the good of my soul and the healing of my body; through the prayers of your most pure Mother, of the spiritual and holy powers of heaven who serve you in holiness, and of all the saints who have pleased you since time began. Yours is the kingdom and yours is the glory. Amen.

When you approach for holy communion, you may say in your heart:

Behold, I draw near to divine communion, O Creator; let me not be destroyed. For you are fire to consume the unworthy. Then rather cleanse me from all that defiles.

The blood that makes divine, O (wo)man, let it be your fear, let it be your dread. It is fire to consume the unworthy. The divine body makes me a partaker of the divine nature, and likewise feeds me. It makes the spirit divine and wondrously nourishes the mind.

You have ravished my heart with your love, O Christ; your divine care has converted my soul. Yet, consume my sins with celestial fire.

Grant me to delight in you. Let me rejoice and exalt your incarnation and your second coming, O gracious Lord.

How shall I enter, unworthy as I am, into the splendor of your holy place? If I dare to go along into the bridal chamber my clothing will condemn me, for it is not wedding attire, and I will be bound and cast out by the angels. Purify my filthy soul, O Lord, and save me, for you love us all.

Loving Master, Lord Jesus Christ, my God, let not these holy gifts be to my judgment, in that I am unworthy; but rather for the cleansing and hallowing of soul and body and as a pledge of life eternal and the kingdom. For I hold it good to cling to God; to hope in the Lord for my salvation.
The Divine Liturgy

ENARXIS

The faithful **STAND** when the preparatory rites are completed and the great incensation of the church takes place. Then the clergy quietly say the prayers before commencing the Divine Liturgy, and the holy doors are opened.

Deacon: Reverend Father, give the blessing.
Celebrant: Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response:


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A - men.

*Throughout Pascha, the following is sung:*

Celebrant: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life.

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life. (*Twice*)

*The faithful may **SIT** as the Litany of Peace begins:*

Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response:

\[ \text{Lord, have mercy.} \]

For peace from on high and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Response:

\[ \text{Lord, have mercy.} \]
For peace in the whole world, for the stability of the holy Churches of God, and for the union of all, let us pray to the Lord. ①

For this holy church and for all who enter it with faith, reverence, and fear of God, let us pray to the Lord. ②

For our holy father (Name), Pope of Rome, let us pray to the Lord. ①

For our most reverend Metropolitan (Name), for our God-loving Bishop (Name), for the venerable presbyterate, the diaconate in Christ, and all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. ②

For our government and for all in the service of our country, let us pray to the Lord. ①

For this city [or: For this holy monastery], for every city, community, and for the faithful living in them, let us pray to the Lord. ②

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord. ①

For those who travel by sea, air, and land, for the sick, the suffering, the captive and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord. ②

Special petitions, including those for the deceased, may be inserted here.

Responses for the faithful departed:

③ Lord, have mercy.

④ Lord, have mercy.
That we be delivered from all affliction, wrath, and need, let us pray to the Lord. ①

Protect us, save us, have mercy on us, and preserve us, O God, by your grace. ②

Commemorating our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

Response:

To you, O Lord.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: For to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is due all glory, honor, and worship, now and ever and forever.

Response:

A - men.

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On weekdays, go to page 15.

On Sundays, to use the Typical Psalms, go to page 16.
FIRST ANTIPHON - SUNDAYS

On Sundays and all days of Pascha (Psalm 65:1,2):

Shout joy-fully to the Lord, all the earth, sing praise to his name,
give to him glorious praise.

Through the pray'rs of the The-o-to-kos, O Sav-ior, save us.

Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it,
now and ev-er and for-ev-er. A-men. Through the
pray'rs of the The-o-to-kos, O Sav-ior, save us.

SECOND ANTIPHON - SUNDAYS

On Sundays and all days of Pascha (Psalm 66:2):

Be gra-cious to us, O God, and bless us; let your face
FIRST ANTIPHON - WEEKDAYS

On Weekdays other than during Pascha (Psalm 91:2):

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

Through the pray'rs of the The-o-to-kos, O Sav-ior, save us.

Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it, now and ev-er and for-ev-er. A-men. Through the
SECOND ANTIPHON - WEEKDAYS

On Weekdays other than during Pascha (Psalm 92:1):

The Lord reigns, he is clothed in majesty; robed is the Lord and girt about with strength. Through the pray'rs of your saints, O Savior, save us.

The Typical Psalms (“Bless the Lord, O my soul”) and the Beatitudes may be sung in place of the Sunday Antiphons except on those Sundays for which proper antiphons are prescribed. The Typical Psalms are sung in place of the First and Second Antiphons.

FIRST TYPICAL PSALM

Psalm 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless his holy name. Blessed are you, O Lord.
SECOND TYPICAL PSALM

Psalm 145:1,2

Praise the Lord, O my soul. I will praise the Lord,
praise the Lord all my life. I will make music to my
God while I live.

FIRST TYPICAL PSALM

Psalm 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless the Lord,
bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being,
all my being bless his holy name.

Blessed are you, O Lord.
SECOND TYPICAL PSALM

Psalm 145:1,2
solemn form

The faithful **STAND**
as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation:
who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation
to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and
Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

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Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit, now and ev-er and for-ev-er. A-men. O on-ly-be-got-ten Son and Word of God, who, be-ing im-mor-tal, de-nied for our sal-va-tion to be-come in-car-nate of the ho-ly The-o-to-kos and Ev-er-Vir-gin Ma-ry, and be-came man with-out change; you were al-so cru-ci-fied, O Christ our God, and by death have tram-pled Death, be-ing One of the Ho-ly Trin-i-ty, glo-ri-fi ed with the Fa-ther and the Ho-ly Spir-it, save us.

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THIRD ANTIPHON (Psalm 94:1)

The Third Antiphon follows, while the Little Entrance with the holy gospel book is made through the northern door and the holy doors.

On Sundays and days of Pascha:

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior. O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to you:

Alleluia!

On Weekdays other than during Pascha:

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior. O Son of God, wondrous in your saints, save us who sing to you:
If the Typical Psalms have been sung in place of the Sunday First and Second Antiphons, the Beatitudes are now sung in place of the Third Antiphon.

Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-12):

Remember us, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are
the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in heaven.
Deacon:  Wisdom! Be attentive!

_The clergy and servers enter the sanctuary as the Third Antiphon continues with the Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):_

**On Sundays and days of Pascha:**

\[A\]

\[\text{Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!}\]

\[B\]

\[\text{Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!}\]
On Weekdays other than during Pascha:

A

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God, wondrous in your saints, save us who sing to you: Al-le-lu-ia!

B

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ.

O Son of God, wondrous in your saints, save us who sing to you: Al-le-lu-ia!
The faithful may **SIT** as the Third Antiphon concludes with the appropriate TROPARIA and KONTAKIA.

**Celebrant:** For you are holy, our God, and we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever

**Deacon:** And forever.

**Response:**

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\[ \text{A - men.} \]
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The faithful **STAND** for the Thrice-holy Hymn.

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\[ \text{3 times} \]
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\[ \text{Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Im-} \]
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\[ \text{mor-tal, have mer-cy on us. Glory to the Fa-ther,} \]
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\[ \text{and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit,} \]
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\[ \text{now and ev-er and for-ev-er. A-men.} \]
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\[ \text{da capo al fine} \]
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\[ \text{Ho-ly and Im-mor-tal, have mer-cy on us.} \]
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Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

3 times
Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit, now and ever
and for ever. Amen.

Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.
For the faithful departed:

3 times

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and for ever. Amen.

Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

For the faithful departed:

3 times

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and
Instead of the Thrice-holy Hymn on Nativity, Theophany, Lazarus Saturday, Pascha, Bright Week, and Pentecost, the following is sung:

A

3 times

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Amen. Have been clothed with Christ.

Alleluia!
Instead of the Thrice-holy Hymn for the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and Cross-Veneration Sunday, the following is sung:

A

3 times

We bow to your cross, O Lord,

and we glorify your holy resurrection.

B

3 times

All you who have been baptized into Christ Have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia! Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and for ever. Amen. Have been clothed with Christ.

Alleluia!
Glory to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho- ly
Spi - rit, now and ev - er and for-ev - er.

A - men. And we glo - ri - fy your ho - ly
re-sur-rec - tion.

We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glo - ri-
fy your ho - ly re-sur-rec - tion. Glo - ry to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi - rit, now and ever and for - ev - er.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Deacon: Let us be attentive!

Celebrant: Peace be to all.

Deacon: Wisdom! Be attentive!

The faithful sing the PROKEIMENON. The lector chants the verse.

Deacon: Wisdom!

The lector announces the title of the Apostolic Reading.

Deacon: Let us be attentive!

The faithful SIT while the lector chants the Apostolic Reading.

Celebrant: Peace be to you, reader.

Deacon: Wisdom! Be attentive!

The faithful STAND as the Alleluia is sung.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! (with verses)

The holy gospel book is incensed along with the faithful.

Deacon: Reverend Father, bless the proclaimer of the Gospel of the holy apostle and evangelist (Name).

Celebrant: May God, through the prayers of the holy, glorious, and illustrious apostle and evangelist (Name), grant that you proclaim the word with great power for the fulfillment of the Gospel of his beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Deacon: Amen.

Celebrant: Wisdom! Let us stand and listen to the holy Gospel. Peace be to all.
Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to (Name).

Response:

Deacon: Let us all say with our whole soul and with our whole mind, let us say:

Response:

Lord, have mercy.

O Lord almighty, God of our Fathers, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response:

Lord, have mercy.

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy, we pray you, hear and have mercy.
Again we pray for our holy father (Name), Pope of Rome, and for our most reverend Metropolitan (Name), for our God-loving Bishop (Name), [if in a monastery: our most venerable hieromonks, our Proto-archimandrite (Name), our Archimandrite (Name), our Proto-hegumen (Name), and our Hegumen (Name),] for those who serve and have served in this holy church, for our spiritual fathers, and for all our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Again we pray for our government and for all in the service of our country.
Special petitions for the living may be intoned here.

Response:

Again we pray for the people here present who await your great and abundant mercy, for those who show us mercy, and for all Christians of the true faith.

Response:

Celebrant: For you are a merciful and loving God, and we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response:

The faithful **STAND** following the Litany of Fervent Supplication.

*The Cherubic Hymns begin on page 42 ff.*
If appropriate, the Litany for the Deceased is intoned:

Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

or

Response: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Again we pray for the repose of the soul[s] of the departed servant[s] of God, (Name/s), and that (his-her-their) every transgression, voluntary and involuntary, be forgiven.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (3 times, as before)

May the Lord God commit (his-her-their) soul[s] to the place where the just repose.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (3 times, as before)

For the mercy of God, for the kingdom of heaven, and for the remission of (his-her-their) sins, let us beseech Christ, the immortal King and our God.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response:  

Grant this, O Lord.

or  

Grant this, O Lord.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response:  

Lord, have mercy.

or  

Lord, have mercy.

*The celebrant prays, concluding:*

Celebrant: For you, O Christ our God, are the resurrection, the life, and the repose of your departed servant[s] *(Name/s)*, and we give glory to you, with your eternal Father, and your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response:  

Amen.
Deacon: Catechumens, pray to the Lord.

Deacon: Faithful, let us pray for the catechumens that the Lord have mercy on them, that he instruct them in the word of truth, that he reveal to them the gospel of righteousness, and that he unite them with his holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

Deacon: Protect them, save them, have mercy on them, O God, by your grace.

Deacon: Catechumens, bow your heads to the Lord.

Catechumens: To you, O Lord.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: That with us they also may glorify your most honored and sublime name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

The Faithful:
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Then the following are intoned for the faithful:

Deacon: All you faithful, again and again, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

The Faithful:
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\text{Lord, have mercy.}
\end{align*}
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Deacon: Wisdom!

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: That being ever protected by your power we may give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

The Faithful:
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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

As the clergy pray quietly at the altar and the deacon incenses, the faithful sing the Cherubikon.

During the singing of the Cherubikon, the clergy and servers go to the table of preparation and, with the gifts about to be consecrated, make the Great Entrance through the northern door and the holy doors.

Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom ... now and ever and forever.

Response: Let us, who mystically represent the cherubim, and sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating Trinity, now set aside all earthly cares, all earthly cares.

Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom ... now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen. That we may receive, receive the King of All,
Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom ... now and ever and forever.

Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom … now and ever and forever.
Response:

A - men.

That we may re - ceive the King of All,
by an - gel - ic hosts.  Al - le - lu - ia!  Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!

Let us, who mys - tic - 'ly re - pre - sent the che - ru - bim,
and sing the thrice - ho - ly hymn to the life - cre - a - ting Tri - ni - ty,
now set a - side, set a - side all earth - ly cares,
set a - side all earth - ly cares.
Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom … now and ever and forever.

Response:

\[ \text{That we may receive, receive the King of All, invisibly escorted by angelic hosts.} \]

\[ \text{Alleluia! Alleluia!} \]

\[ \text{Alleluia!} \]

Let us, who mystically represent the cherubim, and sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating Trinity, now set aside all earthly cares.
Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom ... now and ever and forever.

Response:

A - men.

That we may receive the King of All, invisibly escorted, invisibly escorted by angelic hosts. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Let us, who mystically represent the cherubim, and sing the thrice-holy hymn, sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating, life creating Trinity,
Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom ... now and ever and forever.

Response: now set aside, set aside all earthly cares.

For the faithful departed:

Let us, who mystically represent the cherubim,
Deacon: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom all you Christians of the true faith, always, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: May the Lord God remember in his kingdom ... now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.

That we may receive, receive the King of All, invisibly escorted by angelic hosts. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Deacon: For the precious gifts placed before us, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Grant this through the mercies of your only-begotten Son with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.


Before the profession of the Symbol of Faith, the assembly is invited to be reconciled with one another:

Celebrant: Peace be to all.

Response: And to your spi - rit.

Deacon: Let us love one another that with one mind we may profess.

Response: The Fa - ther, and the Son, and the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

the Tri - ni - ty, one in es - sence and un - di - vi - ded.

Deacon: [The doors! The doors!] In wisdom let us be attentive!
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, the only-begotten, born of the Father before all ages. Light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in essence with the Father; through whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven and was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried. He rose on the third day
according to the scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he is coming again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of Life, who proceeds from the Father. Together with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified; he spoke through the prophets. In one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I profess one baptism for the remission of sins. I expect the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, the only begotten, born of the Father before all ages.

Light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in essence with the Father; through whom all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven and was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate,
and suffered and was buried. He rose on the third day according to the scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he is coming again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of Life, who proceeds from the Father. Together with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified; he spoke through the prophets. In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I profess one baptism for the remission of sins. I expect the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.
ANAPHORA

Deacon: Let us stand aright; let us stand in awe; let us be attentive to offer the holy Anaphora in peace.

Response:  

Mercy, peace, a sacrifice of praise.

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Response:  

And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us lift up our hearts.

Response:  

We lift them up to the Lord.

Music for the Divine Liturgy of Our Holy Father Basil the Great is found on pages 96ff.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

Response:  

It is proper and just.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Singing, shouting, crying aloud, and saying the triumphal hymn:

The proper liturgical posture is to stand.

A

\[ \text{Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of Hosts.} \]

\[ \text{Heaven and earth are filled with your glory; hOSANNA in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hOSANNA in the highest.} \]

B

\[ \text{Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of Hosts. Heaven and earth are filled with your} \]
glo-ry; ho-san-na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name, in the name of the Lord; ho-san-na in the high-est.

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of Hosts.

Hea-ven and earth are filled, filled with your glo-ry; ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; ho-san-na in the high-est.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant:  Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you for the remission of sins.

All make a profound bow.

Response:

Celebrant:  Drink of this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins.

All make a profound bow.

Response:

Celebrant:  Offering you, your own, from your own. Always and everywhere.

All bow reverently and sing:

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord,
and we pray to you, our God, pray to you, our God.
We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord,
and we pray to you, pray to you, our God.

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord,
and we pray to you, our God.

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord,
and we pray to you, our God.
We praise you, we bless you, we thank you,
and we pray to you, our God.

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord,
and we pray, pray to you, our God,
and we pray, we pray to you, our God.

For the faithful departed:
The celebrant prays the Epiklesis, invoking the Holy Spirit upon the gifts and the faithful.

The clergy and faithful make a profound bow.

The celebrant then offers incense on behalf of all saints and all the faithful departed.

Beginning the commemorations, he prays, concluding:

Celebrant: . . . our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.
Or, in place of “It is truly proper,” the Irmos of the feast is sung with its verse.

When the Divine Liturgy of Our Holy Father Basil the Great is celebrated on January 1st or on Sundays of the Great Fast, “In you, O Woman Full of Grace” is sung in place of “It is truly proper”:

The clergy commemorate the living.

Celebrant: Among the first, O Lord, remember our holy father (Name), Pope of Rome, our most reverend Metropolitan (Name), our God-loving bishop (Name). Preserve them for your holy churches in peace, safety, honor, and health for many years as they faithfully impart the word of your truth.

Response: And re-mem-ber all your peo-ple.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: And grant that with one voice and one heart we may glorify and praise your most honored and magnificent name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Celebrant: May the mercies of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ be with all of you.

Response: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Now that we have commemorated all the saints, again and again in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

For the precious gifts offered and consecrated, that our God who loves us all may receive them on his holy, heavenly, and mystical altar as an aroma of spiritual fragrance, and send down upon us in return his divine grace and the gift of the Holy Spirit, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.
The following petitions may be intoned:

That we be delivered from all affliction, wrath, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Response:

Lord, have mercy.

Protect us, save us, have mercy on us, and preserve us, O God, by your grace.

Response:

Lord, have mercy.

That this whole day [or: evening] be perfect, holy, peaceful, and without sin, let us beseech the Lord.

Response:

Grant this, O Lord.

For an angel of peace, a faithful guide and guardian of our souls and bodies, let us beseech the Lord.

Response:

Grant this, O Lord.

For the pardon and remission of our sins and offenses, let us beseech the Lord.

Response:

Grant this, O Lord.
For what is good and beneficial to our souls and for peace in the world, let us beseech the Lord.

Response:

Grant this, O Lord.

That we may spend the rest of our life in peace and repentance, let us beseech the Lord.

Response:

Grant this, O Lord.

For a Christian, painless, unashamed, peaceful end of our life, and for a good account before the fearsome judgment-seat of Christ, let us beseech the Lord.

Response:

Grant this, O Lord.

Asking for unity in the faith and for communion of the Holy Spirit, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

Response:

To you, O Lord.

The celebrant prays, concluding with the introduction to the Lord’s Prayer:

Celebrant: And make us worthy, O Master, that we may with confidence and without condemnation dare call you “Father,” God of heaven, and say:
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Tone 2 Samohlasen

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be
thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we
for-give those who trespass against us; and lead
us not into temptation, but deliver us from
evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; 
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Celebrant: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.


Celebrant: Peace be to all.

Response: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Bow your heads to the Lord.

Response: To you, O Lord.

*The celebrant prays, concluding:*

Celebrant: Through the grace, the mercies, and the loving-kindness of your only-begotten Son with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response: A - - - - - - men.
Deacon: Let us be attentive!

Celebrant: Holy gifts to holy people!

Response: 

One is holy, one is Lord, Jesus Christ,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The proper liturgical posture is to stand.

The celebrant breaks the holy lamb into four parts in the form of a cross, uniting one portion with the precious blood.

All pray together:

O Lord, I believe and profess that you are truly Christ, the Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners of whom I am the first.

Also:

Accept me today as a partaker of your mystical supper, O Son of God, for I will not reveal your mystery to your enemies, nor will I give you a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I profess you:

Remember me, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom.
Remember me, O Master, when you come in your kingdom.
Remember me, O Holy One, when you come in your kingdom.

May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord, be not for my judgment or condemnation but for the healing of soul and body.
Also:

O Lord, I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious body and your life-giving blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and for life everlasting. Amen.

O God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
O God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.
O Lord, forgive me for I have sinned without number.

With fear and reverence the clergy partake of the holy gifts while the faithful sing the COMMUNION HYMN(S) proper to the day.

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1):

A

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heavens,

Refrain

Praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

B

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest,
Praise him in the highest, praise the Lord from the heavens.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

C

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest,

the Lord from the heavens. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

D

Praise the Lord, the Lord from the heavens,
praise him, praise him in the highest.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

Praise the Lord, the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest, praise him in the highest, praise the Lord from the heavens. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!
Deacon: Approach with fear of God and with faith.

Response: All Catholics who are properly disposed are welcome to receive the Divine Eucharist. Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not permitted to receive the Divine Eucharist.
The body and blood of our Lord are administered on a small spoon. Communicants approach close to the priest or deacon and remain standing.

The communicants say nothing.

They open the mouth widely without extending the tongue and close the mouth only after the spoon has been withdrawn.

The faithful may **REMAIN STANDING** while others are receiving holy communion.

When Holy Communion has been distributed, the celebrant blesses with the chalice:

Celebrant: Save your people, O God, and bless your inheritance.

Response:  

\[ \text{We have seen the true light; we have received the} \]

\[ \text{heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith;} \]

\[ \text{and we worship the undivided Trinity,} \]

\[ \text{for the Trinity has saved us.} \]
Throughout Pascha, the following is sung in place of "We have seen the true light."

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life.

The celebrant incenses the holy gifts.

Celebrant: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.
The holy gifts are brought to the table of preparation.

The faithful sing:

May our mouth be filled with your praise, O Lord, so that we may sing of your glory, sing of your glory. For you have deemed us worthy to partake of your holy, divine, immortal, pure, and life-creating mysteries.

Keep us in your holiness so that all the day long we may live according to your truth. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!
May our mouth be filled with your praise, O Lord,
so that we may sing of your glory. For you have deemed us worthy to partake of your holy, divine, immortal, pure, and life-creating mysteries.

Keep us in your holiness so that all the day long we may live according to your truth. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!
For the faithful departed:

May our mouth be filled with your praise, O Lord,

so that we may sing of your glory. For you have deemed us worthy to partake of your holy, divine, immortal, pure, and life-creating mysteries. Keep us in your holiness so that all the day long we may live according to your truth.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
Deacon: Arise! Now that we have received the divine, holy, most pure, immortal, heavenly, life-creating, and awesome mysteries of Christ, let us worthily thank the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: For you are our sanctification, and we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

Response: In the name of the Lord.

Deacon: Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

The celebrant, going before the ambon and facing East, intones the Ambon Prayer.

Response: Amen.
Blessings and rituals for solemn occasions may take place here.

Then the faithful sing:

A

Bless-ed be the name of the Lord, now and for-ev-er,
now and for-ev-er, now and for-ev-er.

B

Bless-ed be the name of the Lord, now and for-ev-er,
now and for-ev-er, now and for-ev-er.

C

Bles-sed be the name of the Lord, now and for-ev-er.
Bles-sed be the name of the Lord, now and for-ev-er.
For the faithful departed:

Blessed be the name of the Lord, now and forever,
and forever. Blessed be the name of the Lord,
now and forever, and forever, and forever.

Celebrant: The blessing of the Lord be upon you through his grace and loving kindness, always, now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope, glory to you.

Response: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever and forever. Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Give the blessing.
Throughout Pascha, the following is sung in place of “Glory to the Father.”

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Give the blessing.

Facing the faithful, the celebrant intones the Prayer of Dismissal.

Celebrant: May Christ our true God...have mercy on us and save us... for Christ is good and loves us all.

Response:

On more festive liturgical occasions, the deacon or celebrant, facing the faithful, intones the chant for long life:

To (Name/s), grant, O Lord, many years.

Response:
Added only after the final intonation for long life:

In health and hap-pi-ness, in health and hap-pi-ness,

God grant her ma-ny bles-sed years.

Added only after the final intonation for long life:

God grant him ma-ny bles-sed years.
Added only after the final intonation for long life:

In health and happiness,

in health and happiness,

God grant her many blessed years.
If the departed are being remembered, the deacon or celebrant may intone:

In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to your departed servant[s] (Name/s) and remember (him-her-them) forever.

Response:

\(\text{Eternal memory, eternal memory,}\)
\(\text{blessed repose, eternal memory.}\)
When appropriate during Pascha, the Paschal Greeting and Intonations are added:

Celebrant: Christ is risen!

Response: Indeed he is risen!

Celebrant: Christ is risen!

Response: Indeed he is risen!

Celebrant: Christ is risen!

Response: Indeed he is risen!

Celebrant: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life.

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life. (Two times)

And to us he granted life eternal.
Let us bow before his resurrection on the third day!

The deacon closes the holy doors.

All offer prayers of thanksgiving.

THE END OF THE DIVINE LITURGY.
Thanksgiving Prayers After Holy Communion

Glory to you, O God. *(Three times)*

1. **Prayer of Our Holy Father Basil the Great**

   Lord my God, I thank you; for you have not rejected me, a sinner, but have made me worthy to be a partaker of your holy mysteries. I thank you for allowing me, unworthy as I am, to be a partaker of your most pure and heavenly gifts. O Lord who love us all, you died and rose for our sake; and you have given us these awesome and life-creating mysteries for the benefit and sanctification of our souls and bodies. Grant that they may bring about the healing of my soul and body; the defeat of every enemy; the enlightenment of the eyes of my heart; the calming of my thoughts and emotions; a faith that cannot be confounded; a love that does not pretend; a wisdom that overflows; the full observance of your commandments; the increase of your divine grace; and citizenship in your kingdom. Being preserved in your holiness by them, I will remember your love at all times. I will live no longer for myself, but for you, my Lord and Benefactor. Thus, having spent my earthly life in the hope of life without end, I will attain eternal rest where the sound of rejoicing never ceases, where the delight of those who gaze upon the beauty of your face cannot be expressed.

   For you, Christ our God, are our true desire, and the inexpressible joy of those who love you; and all creation glorifies you forever. Amen.

2. **Prayer of Our Venerable Father John Damascene**

   God, my God, all-consuming invisible fire, you make your angels flaming fire. In your inexpressible love, you have condescended to give me your divine flesh. You have allowed me to partake of your divinity by possessing your most pure body and precious blood. May they penetrate my entire body and spirit and all my bones. May they burn away my sins, enlighten my soul, and brighten my understanding. May they sanctify me, making a dwelling-place in me so that I too may be in you forever, with your blessed Father, and your all-holy Spirit, through the prayers of your most pure Mother and of all your saints. Amen.

3. **Prayer of Our Holy Father John Chrysostom**

   Christ our God, mystically you have made me worthy to be a partaker of your most pure body and precious blood. I praise, bless, and worship you; I glorify you and extol your salvation, O Lord, now and ever and forever. Amen.

4. **Prayer to the Most Holy Theotokos**

   Most holy Lady, Theotokos, light of my darkened soul; my hope, my protection, my refuge, my comfort, and my joy: I thank you for enabling me, unworthy as I am, to be a partaker of the most pure body and precious blood of your Son.

   You gave birth to the true Light; enlighten the eyes of my heart. You bore the source of immortality; give life to me who am dead in sin. O compassionate and loving Mother of the merciful
God, have mercy on me; grant me compunction and contrition of heart, humility of mind, and the recollection of my scattered thoughts. Make me worthy, even until my last breath, to receive the most pure and sanctifying mysteries without condemnation for the healing of my soul and body. Give me tears of repentance and confession that I may praise and glorify you all the days of my life; for you are blessed and glorified forever. Amen.

5. Another Prayer
O Lord Jesus Christ our God, may your holy body bring me everlasting life and may your precious blood remit my sins. May this Eucharist give me joy, health, and happiness. At your dread second coming, grant that I, a sinner, may stand at the right side of your glory, through the prayers of your most pure Mother and of all the saints. Amen.

Anaphora of the Divine Liturgy of Our Holy Father Basil the Great

A. First Setting

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

Response:  A1

It is proper and just, it is proper and just.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Singing, shouting, crying aloud, and saying the triumphal hymn:

The proper liturgical posture is to stand.

A2

Holy, holy, holy

is the Lord of Hosts. Heaven and
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you for the remission of sins.

All make a profound bow.

Response: A - m - e - n.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Drink of this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins.

All make a profound bow.

Response: A - m - e - n.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Offering you, your own, from your own. Always and everywhere.

All bow reverently and sing:

Response: We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord, and we pray to you, our God.

The celebrant invokes the Holy Spirit upon the gifts and the faithful. The clergy and faithful make a profound bow. The celebrant then offers incense on behalf of all saints and all the faithful departed. Beginning the commemorations, he prays, concluding:

Celebrant: ...our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices:

the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified
Temple and Rational Paradise,

Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time.

He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices.
B. Second Setting

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

Response: It is proper, it is proper and just.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Singing, shouting, crying aloud, and saying the triumphal hymn:

The proper liturgical posture is to stand.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory;

hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you for the remission of sins.

All make a profound bow.

Response: Amen.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Drink of this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins.

All make a profound bow.

Response: Amen.

The celebrant prays, concluding:

Celebrant: Offering you, your own, from your own. Always and everywhere.

All bow reverently and sing:

Response: We praise you, we bless you, we
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Celebrant: …our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.
from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoiceth. Glory to you!
The Vigil Divine Liturgy

GREAT VESPERS

The faithful **STAND** when the preparatory rites are completed and the clergy quietly say the prayers before commencing the Divine Liturgy. There is no incensation. The holy doors remain closed until the Little Entrance.

Deacon: Reverend Father, give the blessing.

Celebrant: Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response:

![Musical notation]

A - men.

Throughout Pascha, the holy doors are opened and the following is sung:

Celebrant: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life.

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life. (Twice)

The holy doors are closed.

![Musical notation]

Come, let us worship our King and God. Come, let us worship Christ, our King and God. Come, let us worship and bow before the only Lord Jesus Christ the King and our God.
Psalm 103:

Bless the Lord, O my soul! Lord my God, how great you are,
clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe.

You stretch out the heavens like a tent.
Above the rains you build your dwelling.

You make the clouds your chariot,
you walk on the wings of the wind;
you make your angels spirits
and your ministers a flaming fire.

You founded the earth on its base,
to stand firm from age to age.

You wrapped it with the ocean like a cloak:
the waters stood higher than the mountains.

At your threat they took to flight;
at the voice of your thunder they fled.

They rose over the mountains and flowed down
to the place which you had appointed.

You set limits they might not pass
lest they return to cover the earth.

You make springs gush forth in the valleys;
they flow in between the hills.
They give drink to all the beasts of the field;  
the wild asses quench their thirst.

On their banks dwell the birds of heaven;  
from the branches they sing their song.

From your dwelling you water the hills;  
earth drinks its fill of your gift.

You make the grass grow for the cattle  
and the plants to serve man’s needs,

that he may bring forth bread from the earth  
and wine to cheer man’s heart;

oil, to make his face shine  
and bread to strengthen man’s heart.

The trees of the Lord drink their fill,  
the cedars he planted on Lebanon;

there the birds build their nests;  
on the treetop the stork has her home.

The goats find a home on the mountains  
and rabbits hide in the rocks.

You made the moon to mark the months;  
the sun knows the time for its setting.

When you spread the darkness it is night  
and all the beasts of the forest creep forth.

The young lions roar for their prey  
and ask their food from God.
At the rising of the sun they steal away
   and go to rest in their dens.

Man goes out to his work,
   to labor till evening falls.

How many are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all.
   The earth is full of your riches.

There is the sea, vast and wide,
   with its moving swarms past counting,
   living things great and small.

The ships are moving there
   and the monsters you made to play with.

All of these look to you
   to give them their food in due season.

You give it, they gather it up;
   you open your hand, they have their fill.

You hide your face, they are dismayed;
   you take back your spirit, they die,
   returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, they are created;
   and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last forever!
   May the Lord rejoice in his works!

He looks on the earth and it trembles;
   the mountains send forth smoke at his touch.
I will sing to the Lord all my life,  
make music to my God while I live.

May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
I find my joy in the Lord.

Let sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked exist no more.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

*And again:*

You made the moon to mark the months;  
the sun knows the time for its setting.

How many are your works, O Lord!  
In wisdom you have made them all.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glory to you, O God!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glory to you, O God!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Glo - ry to you, O God!

Abridged version “with melody”

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul! Lord my God, how great you are, 2. clothed in maj - es - ty and glo - ry, wrapped in light as in a robe. 3. You stretch out the heav - ens like a tent. A - bove the rains you build your dwell - ing. 4. You make the clouds your char - i - ot, you walk on the wings of the wind; 5. you make
your angels spirits and your ministers
a flaming fire. 6. You founded the earth on its base,
to stand firm from age to age. 7. You make the grass grow for
the cattle and the plants to serve man’s needs,
8. that he may bring forth bread from the earth
and wine to cheer man’s heart; 9. oil, to
make his face shine and bread to strength en
man’s heart. 10. I will sing to the Lord all my life,
make music to my God while I live.
11. You made the moon to mark the months; the sun knows the time for its setting. 12. How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all.


Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Glory to you, O God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response:  

Lord, have mercy.

For peace from on high and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Response:  

Lord, have mercy.

For peace in the whole world, for the stability of the holy Churches of God, and for the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.  

For this holy church and for all who enter it with faith, reverence, and fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.  

For our holy father (Name), Pope of Rome, let us pray to the Lord.  

For our most reverend Metropolitan (Name), for our God-loving Bishop (Name), for the venerable presbyterate, the diaconate in Christ, and all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.  

For our government and for all in the service of our country, let us pray to the Lord.  

For this city [or: For this holy monastery], for every city, community, and for the faithful living in them, let us pray to the Lord.  

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.  

For those who travel by sea, air, and land, for the sick, the suffering, the captive and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
That we be delivered from all affliction, wrath, and need, let us pray to the Lord. ①

Protect us, save us, have mercy on us, and preserve us, O God, by your grace. ②

Commemorating our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

Response:

To you, O Lord.

The celebrant prays aloud:

Celebrant: Evening, morning, and at noon we praise you, we bless you, we thank you, and we pray to you, Master of All and loving Lord. Let our prayer rise like incense before you and do not let our hearts be turned to evil words or thoughts, but deliver us from all that might ensnare our souls. For to you Lord, O Lord, our eyes are turned and in you we hope; let us not be put to shame, O our God.

For to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is due all glory, honor, and worship now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.
THE LAMP-LIGHTING PSALMS

The faithful **STAND** for the great incensation of the church.
They may sit when the great incensation is complete.
The opening verses of Psalm 140 with refrain are sung according to the tone of the first sticheron:

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Psalm 140:

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me.
Hear me, O Lord!

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me;
receive the voice of my prayer when I call upon you.
Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer ascend to you like incense,
and the lifting up of my hands like an evening sacrifice.
Hear me, O Lord!

*The remaining verses are chanted antiphonally:*

O Lord, set a guard before my mouth
and set a seal on the door of *my* lips.

Let not my heart be inclined to evil,
nor make excuse for the sins I *commit.*

Let me never share in sinners’ feasting.
If a just man strikes or reproves me it *is* kindness

but let the oil of the wicked not anoint my head.
Let my prayer be ever against *their* malice.
The princes were thrown down by the side of the rock;  
then they understood that my words were kind.

As a millstone is shattered to pieces on the ground,  
so their bones were strewn at the mouth of the grave.

To you, Lord God, my eyes are turned;  
in you I take refuge; spare my soul!

From the trap they have laid for me keep me safe;  
keep me from the snares of those who do evil.

Let the wicked fall into the traps they have set  
while I pursue my way unharmed.

**Psalm 141:**

With all my voice I cry to the Lord,  
with all my voice I entreat the Lord.

I pour out my trouble before him;  
I tell him all my distress while my spirit faints within me.

But you, O Lord, know my path.  
On the way where I shall walk they have hidden a snare to entrap me.

Look on my right and see:  
there is no one who takes my part.

I have no means of escape,  
not one who cares for my soul.

I cry to you, O Lord.  
I have said: “You are my refuge, all I have in the land of the living.”

Listen, then, to my cry  
for I am in the depths of distress.

Rescue me from those who pursue me  
for they are stronger than I.
The following versicles continue to be chanted or are sung to melody, according to the number of stichera:

10. Bring my soul out of this prison
    and then I shall praise your name.

9. Around me the just will assemble
    because of your goodness to me.

Psalm 129:

8. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;
   Lord, hear my voice!

7. Let your ears be attentive
   to the voice of my pleading.

6. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
   But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

5. My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word.
   My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.

4. Let the watchman count on daybreak
   and Israel on the Lord.

3. Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
   Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Psalm 116:

2. Praise the Lord, all you nations,
   acclaim him all you peoples!

1. Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
   he is faithful forever.
The faithful **STAND** when the holy doors are opened and the cantor sings:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

The Dogmatikon or final sticheron is sung while the Little Entrance with the holy gospel book and censer is made through the northern door and the holy doors.

Deacon: Wisdom! Be attentive!

*The clergy and servers enter the sanctuary as “O Joyful Light” is sung.*

The sanctuary and the faithful are incensed.

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O Joyful Light of the holy glory of the Father

Immortal, the heavenly, holy, blessed One, O Jesus Christ, now that we have reached the setting of the sun, and see the evening light, we sing to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is fitting at all times to raise a song of praise in measured melody to you, O Son of God, the Giver of Life. Therefore, the universe sings your glory.
Deacon: Let us be attentive!

Celebrant: Peace be to all!

Deacon: Wisdom! Be attentive!

The faithful sing the PROKEIMENON; the deacon chants the verse(s):

On Saturday Evening:

Tone 6 (Psalm 92:1,2,5)

Deacon: Robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.  

The PROKEIMENON is repeated.

Deacon: The world he made firm, not to be moved.  

The PROKEIMENON is repeated.

Deacon: Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time.  

The PROKEIMENON is repeated.

On Sunday Evening:

Tone 8 (Psalm 133:1)

Deacon: The Lord hears me whenever I call him,
Deacon: Who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.

*The PROKEimenon is repeated.*

On Monday Evening:
*Tone 4 (Psalm 4:4,2)*

Deacon: When I call, answer me, O God of Justice.

*The PROKEimenon is repeated.*

On Tuesday Evening:
*Tone 1 (Psalm 22:6,1,2)*

Your mercy, O Lord, shall follow me, your mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.
Deacon: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want; fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

*The PROKEIMENON is repeated.*

**On Wednesday Evening:**

*Tone 5 (Psalm 53:3,4)*

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\text{(Music notation)}
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Deacon: O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth.

*The PROKEIMENON is repeated.*

**On Thursday Evening:**

*Tone 6 (Psalm 120:2,1)*

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\text{(Music notation)}
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Deacon: I lift up my eyes to the mountains, from where shall come my help.

*The PROKEIMENON is repeated.*
On Friday Evening:  
Tone 7 (Psalm 58:10,2)

You, O God, are my defender and your mercy goes before me, and your mercy goes before me.

Deacon: Rescue me, O God, from my foes; protect me from those who attack me.

The PROKEIMENON is repeated.

If there will be readings as part of the Office of Vespers, the following order is used for each Reading:

Deacon: Wisdom!

The lector announces the title of the Reading.

Deacon: Let us be attentive!

The faithful SIT while the lector chants the Reading.
The Liturgy continues with the Thrice-holy Hymn that is found on pages 27-30. The doxology that precedes the hymn is introduced by the following Small Litany:

Deacon:  Again and again, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response:

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Lord, have mercy.

Protect us, save us, have mercy on us, and preserve us, O God, by your grace.

Response:

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Lord, have mercy.

Commemorating our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

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To you, O Lord.
The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:
Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

Second Resurrectional Sticheron:

O you peoples, walk around Zion and encompass her and there give glory to him who rose from the dead. For he is our God who delivered us from our transgressions.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Third Resurrectional Sticheron:

Come you peoples, let us praise and worship Christ, and give glory to his resurrection from the dead. For he is our God who delivered the world from the deceit of the enemy.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Dogmatikon:

Let us praise the Virgin Mary, the glory of the whole world.
At the Divine Liturgy

Troparion:

Born of man, she bore the Master. She is the gate of heaven, the song of angels, and adornment of the faithful. She is heaven itself and the temple of God. She tore down the dividing wall of enmity, bringing peace and opening the kingdom. If we cling to her, then, as an anchor of faith, the Lord born of her will be our champion. Take courage, then, take courage, people of God. For he who is all-powerful will fight our enemies.

At the Divine Liturgy

Troparion:

The stone was sealed by the Jews, soldiers guarded your most pure body, but you, O Savior, arose on the third day granting life to the world.
Therefore, the heavenly powers acclaimed you, O Giver of Life:

Glory to your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to your Kingdom!

Glory to your salvation! You alone love us all.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion:

As God, you arose in glory from the grave and raised the world with you.

Human nature praises you as God and death has vanish. Adam sings in exultation, O Lord; Eve, freed from bondage, cries joyfully:

O Christ, it is you who give resurrection to all.
If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 1, the following are used:

Verse:
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting.

Alleluia
(Psalm 17:48,51):

Verse:
God grants me vindication and subdues peoples under me.

Verse:
He has given great victories to his king and has shown love for David, his anointed, and his descendants forever.

Prokeimenon
(Psalm 32:22,1):

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.

Alleluia!  Alleluia!  Alleluia!

Verse:
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting.

Alleluia
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Verse:  God grants me vindication and subdues peoples under me.
Verse:  He has given great victories to his king and has shown love for David, his anointed, and his descendants forever.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday
(Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia!  Alleluia!  Alleluia!
At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday
Psalm 140:

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:
Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

Second Resurrectional Sticheron:

Christ our Savior cancelled the decree that was written against us by nailing it to the cross, and he destroyed the power of Death.

We bow before his resurrection on the third day.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Third Resurrectional Sticheron:

With the archangels, let us sing hymns to Christ's resurrection, for he is the Redeemer and Savior of our Souls. He is coming again in awesome glory and mighty power to judge the world which he has fashioned.
Cantor:  Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Dogmatikon:

The shadow of the Law passed away when grace arrived; for, like the bush which burned but was not consumed, you gave birth as a virgin, and a virgin you remained. Instead of a pillar of fire, the Sun of Justice dawned; instead of Moses, Christ, the salvation of our souls.

At the Divine Liturgy

Troparion:

When you descended to death, O Immortal Life, you destroyed Hades by the brilliance of your divinity; and when you raised the dead from the depths of the earth, all the heavenly powers cried out:

O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to you.
Kontakion:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

now and ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion:

You arose from the grave, Almighty Savior. Seeing the miracle, Hades was struck with fear; the dead arose. At this sight, all creation rejoices with you; Adam joins with exultation;

and the world, O my Savior, sings your praises forever.

If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 2, the following are used:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Now and ever and ever. Amen.
**Prokeimenon (Psalm 117:14,18):**

My strength and my song is the Lord; he has become my salvation.

Verse: The Lord punished me severely but did not hand me over to Death.

**Alleluia (Psalm 19:2,10):**

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: The Lord will hear you on the day of distress; the name of Jacob’s God will protect you.

Verse: O Lord, save the king, and hear us when we call upon you.

**Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
TONE THREE

At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday
Psalm 140:

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:
Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

Second Resurrectional Sticheron:

O Lord, ev'rything has been enlightened by your resurrection, and Paradise has been reopened. All creation exults you and offers you a hymn forever.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Third Resurrectional Sticheron:

I glorify the might of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I praise the Undivided Power, the Uncreated Divinity, the Trinity one in essence who reigns forever and ever.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Dogmatikon:

O most honorable one, how can we not marvel at your giving birth to God and man? Most pure one, without knowing man, you gave birth in the flesh to the Son without a father, begotten before all ages of the Father without a mother. He underwent no change, confusion, or division, but maintained the properties of each nature intact. Therefore, O Lady, Virgin Mother, beg him to save the souls of those who rightly confess you as Theotokos.

At the Divine Liturgy
Troparion:

Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; for the Lord
Kontakion:

has shown the might of his arm. By his death the Lord has tram-pled Death;

he has be-come the first-born of the dead; he has de-liv-ered

us from the depths of Ha-des and has grant-ed great mer-cy to the world.

Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it,

now and ev-er and for-ev-er. A- men.

Kontakion:

To-day, you a-rose from the grave, O mer-ci-ful Lord; you led us

out of the gates of Death. To-day, Ad-am ex-ults and Eve re-joic-es.

With them, the pro-phets and patriarchs ever praise the might of your di-vine

pow-er.

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If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 3, the following are used:

Prokeimenon (Psalm 46:7,2):

Verse: All you peoples, clap your hands; shout to God with cries of gladness.

Alleluia (Psalm 30:2,3):

Verse: In you, O Lord, I have placed my trust; let me never be put to shame.
Verse: Be a protector for me, O God, and a house of refuge for my salvation.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday
Psalm 140:

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me. Hear me, O Lord! O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me; receive the voice of my pray'r when I call upon you.

Hear me, O Lord! Let my pray'r ascend to you like incense and the lifting up of my hands like an evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord!

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:

We bow constantly to your life-creating cross, O Christ our God, we glorify your resurrection on the third day; for by it, O All-powerful One, corrupt
Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

**Second Resurrectional Sticheron:**

O Savior, you absolved the penalty of the tree of disobedience, willingly nailing it to the tree of the cross. When you descended into Hades, O Powerful One, you broke the bonds of Death asunder, O God. Therefore, we worship your resurrection from the dead, crying out and rejoicing:

All powerful Lord, glory to you.

**Cantor:** Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

**Third Resurrectional Sticheron:**

O Lord, you battered down the gates of Hades and by your death you
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Dogmatikon:

O The-ø-to -kos, Da-vid the prophet and ancestor of God announced in song to the one who would do great things for you: The Queen stands at your right hand.

He re-vealed you as the Mother of Life and Inter-ces - sor. God was pleased to become man from you without a fa-ther so that he might restore the image which passions had de-formed, and find the sheep straying in the hills, lift it on his shoulders, and bring it to his Fa-ther, unit-ing it to the heaven-ly pow - ers.

Thus Christ will save the world, for he has a-bun-dant and great mer - cy.
At the Divine Liturgy

Troparion:

The joyful message of the resurrection was heard by the women disciples from the angel, and being freed from the ancestral curse, they boasted to the apostles: Death is despoiled; Christ our God is risen, giving great mercy to the world.

Kontakion:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O my Savior and Redeemer, as God, you raised from the grave all those who were in chains and destroyed the gates of Hades; and, as Lord, you
Prokeimenon (Psalm 103:24,1):

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.

Alleluia (Psalm 44:5,8):

Verse: Go forth; triumph and reign for the sake of truth and meekness and justice.
Verse: You love justice and hate wickedness.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 4, the following are used:
At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday

Psalm 140:

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me. Hear me, O Lord! O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me; receive the voice of my pray'r when I call upon you.

Hear me, O Lord! Let my pray'r ascend to you like incense and the lifting up of my hands like an evening sacrifice.

Hear me, O Lord!

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:

With your precious cross, O Christ, you have put the Devil to shame. With your resurrection you have deadened the sting of sin and saved us from the gates
Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

Second Resurrectional Sticheron:

The one who gives resurrection to the human race was led like a lamb to the slaughter. The princes of Hades trembled before him and the dismal doors were lifted up. For Christ, the King of Glory, has entered saying to those in chains: Go forth from here; and to those in darkness:

Show yourselves.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Third Resurrectional Sticheron:

What a great wonder: the Creator of invisible beings suffered in the flesh out of love for us; and arose immortal.
Cantor:  Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Dogmatikon:

The image of the bride who knew not man was traced in the Red Sea long ago.

There, Moses parted the waters; here, Gabriel announced the miracle.

There, Israel trod the depths and kept dry; here, the Virgin gave birth to Christ without seed. Then, the sea remained impassable after Israel's passage;

now, the most pure one remains inviolate after Emmanuel's birth. O
At the Divine Liturgy

Troparion:

God, existent, pre-existent, and now seen as man, have mercy upon us.

O faithful, let us praise and adore the Word eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation.

For he chose to ascend the cross in the flesh and to suffer death, and to raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Kontakion:

O Savior, you descended into Hades. You crushed its gates as the Almighty. You raised the dead and destroyed the sting of Death as the Creator. You delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of us all; therefore, all cry out to you, O Lord, save us.

If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 5, the following are used:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Now and ever and forever. Amen.
Prokeimenon (Psalm 11:8,2):

Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the righteous have vanished.

Alleluia (Psalm 88:2,3):

Verse: I shall sing forever of your mercies, O Lord; through all generations my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Verse: For you have said: Mercy is built to last forever. Your truth is firmly established in heaven.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday
Psalm 140:

TONE SIX

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me. Hear me, O Lord! O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me; receive the voice of my pray'r when I call upon you. Hear me, O Lord! Let my pray'r ascend to you like incense and the lifting up of my hands like an evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord!

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:

O Christ, you are victorious over Hades. You ascended the cross to raise up with yourself those who sat in the darkness of death. You alone are free

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Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

**Second Resurrectional Sticheron:**

Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

**Third Resurrectional Sticheron:**

Where can we sinners flee from you, O Lord, who are present in all creation; to the heavens? — that is where you dwell; to Hades? — there you trampled death;
to the depths of the sea?—even there is your hand. We flee to you and, fall ing
be-fore you, we beg: O Lord, ris-en from the dead, have mer-cy on us.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Dogmatikon:

Who would not extol you, most ho-ly Vir-gin? Who would not praise your giv-ing
birth with-out pain? For the on-ly-be-got-ten Son, who shines
forth from the Fa-ther time-less-ly, has himself come forth from you, O pure one.

He took flesh from you in a manner be-yond un-der-stand-ing: re-tain-ing
di-vine na-ture but assuming human na-ture for our sake; not di-vid-ed
in- to two per- sons but ex-ist-ing in two natures, distinct and un-con-fused.

O honored and most blessed one, be-seech him to have mer-cy on our souls.
At the Divine Liturgy

Troparion:

Angellic powers appeared at your tomb, and the guards became like dead men. Mary stood at the tomb seeking your most pure body. You despoiled Hades without a challenge. You, the Giver of Life met the Virgin. O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to you!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Kontakion:

Christ our God, the Life-giver, with his life-giving hand raised the dead from the valley of death, granting resurrection to all of us.

He is the Savior of All, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of All.
If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 6, the following are used:

Prokeimenon (Psalm 27:9,1):

Verse:
To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

Alleluia (Psalm 90:1,2):

Verse:
The one who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
abides in the shadow of the God of heaven.

Verse:
He says to the Lord: You are my Protector, my Refuge, and my God in whom I trust.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1):  
(music found on pages 78 - 81)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
TONE SEVEN

At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday
Psalm 140:

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me. Hear me, O Lord! O Lord,

I have cried to you, hear me; receive the voice of my pray'r when I call up-on

you. Hear me, O Lord! Let my

pray'r ascend to you like incense and the lifting up of my hands like an
evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord!

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrectional Sticheron:

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord who shattered the power of Death and enlightened the human race. With the bodiless powers
Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!

Second Resurrectional Sticheron:

O Savior, for our sake you endured the cross and the grave; and, as God, by death you put Death to death. Therefore, we worship your resurrection on the third day. O Lord, glory to you.

Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Third Resurrectional Sticheron:

When they saw the resurrection of the Creator, the apostles were amazed and they exclaimed the angelic hymn of praise:

This is the glory of the Church; this is the wealth of the kingdom.

O Lord, who suffered for our sake, glory to you!
Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Dogmatikon:

O Theotokos, we know your maternity is supernatural, but how you remain a virgin, we can neither know nor say. No tongue can explain the wonder of your giving birth, for your conception is a paradox, O pure one, and the way you gave birth is incomprehensible.

For whenever God wills, the order of nature is overturned. Therefore, we all recognize you as the Mother of God, and we fervently beseech you:

Intercede for the salvation of our souls.

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Troparion:

You have destroyed Death by your cross; you opened paradise to the thief.
The sorrow of the myrrh-bearers you turned to joy. You commanded your apostles to proclaim: Christ our God, you have risen, granting great mercy to the world.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Kontakion:

No longer can the might of Death rule over us; Christ descended, destroying and crushing its power. Hades remains enchained.

The prophets rejoice together. The Savior has appeared, saying to those in darkness: Come forth, faithful to the Resurrection.
If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 7, the following are used:

Prokeimenon (Psalm 28:11,1,2):
Verse:
Bring to the Lord, you sons of God; bring to the Lord glory and honor.

Alleluia (Psalm 91:2,3):
Verse:
It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
Verse:
To proclaim your mercy in the morning, and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
At the Vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday
Psalm 140:

The recited verses of the Lamp-lighting psalms are found on page 114.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

First Resurrecional Sticheron:
**Cantor:** Praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples!

**Second Resurrectional Sticheron:**

O Lord, O Lord, do not cast us away from your face, but let it be your pleasure to have mercy on us by your resurrection.

**Cantor:** Strong is the love of the Lord for us;  
he is faithful forever.

**Third Resurrectional Sticheron:**

Rejoice, O holy Zion, the mother of the churches and the dwelling-place of God. For you were the first to receive remission of sins by the resurrection.

**Cantor:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

**Dogmatikon:**

In his love for all of us, the King of Heaven appeared on earth and dwelt among us, for he took flesh from a pure virgin and came forth
At the Divine Liturgy
Troparion:

You descended from on high, O merciful One. You accepted burial for three days to free us from our passions. O Lord, our Resurrection and our Life, glory to you.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and for ever. Amen.
Kontakion:

Ris - ing from the grave, you raised the dead. You lifted up Adam, and Eve rejoices in your resurrection. The whole world celebrates your resurrection from the dead, O Most Merciful One.

If additional Kontakia are sung in Tone 8, the following are used:

Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Now and ever and forever. Amen.

Prokeimenon (Psalm 75:12,2):

Make vows to the Lord your God, to the Lord your God and fulfill them, and fulfill them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; in Israel his name is great.
**Alleluia** (Psalm 94:1,2):

Verse: Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

Verse: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, and let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

**Communion Hymn – For Sunday** (Psalm 148:1): *(music found on pages 78 - 81)*

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
**Moveable Feasts: Pentecostarion**

**THE RESURRECTION**

**OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST**

**Pascha**

After “Blessed is the kingdom...”

**Troparion - Special Tone 5:**

**Celebrant:**

\[\text{Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death;}
\]

\[\text{and to those in the tombs he granted life.}\]

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life. (Twice)

**First Antiphon (Psalm 65:1-2): (music found on page 14)**

Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; sing praise to his name, give to him glorious praise. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

**Second Antiphon (Psalm 66:2): (music found on page 14)**

Be gracious to us, O God, and bless us; let your face shine upon us, and have mercy on us. O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful [STAND] as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: (music found on pages 18 - 21)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.
Third Antiphon - *Special melody* (Psalm 67:2,3,4):

**Cantor:**

\[ \text{\begin{music} \\
\end{music}} \]

Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered, and let those who hate him flee from before his face!

**Response:** *(music found on page 164)* Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

**Cantor:**

\[ \text{\begin{music} \\
\end{music}} \]

As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish, as wax melts before a fire.

**Response:** Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

**Cantor:**

\[ \text{\begin{music} \\
\end{music}} \]

So let the wicked perish at the presence of God, but let the righteous ones rejoice.

**Response:** Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

Entrance Hymn - *Special melody* (Psalm 67:27):

\[ \text{\begin{music} \\
\end{music}} \]

In the churches bless God; from Israel's well-springs, bless the Lord.

Troparion - *Special Tone 5* : *(music found on page 164)*

Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

Glory...Now and ever...
Kontakion - Tone 8:

Although you descended into the grave, O Immortal One, you destroyed Hades'

power. You arose as a victor, O Christ God. You exclaimed to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! You gave peace to your apostles and granted resurrection to the fallen.

Instead of “Holy God...” (Galatians 3:27): (music found on pages 31 and 32)

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

(Three times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 117:24,1):

This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Verse: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 101:14,20):

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Verse: You will arise and have mercy on Zion.

Verse: From heaven the Lord looked down upon the earth.
Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification:

The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace:

Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again, I say: Rejoice!

Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day and has raised the dead. Rejoice, all you nations!

Irmos:

Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem; for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. O Zion, now dance and be glad; and you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Paschal “Our Father” - melody of the Canon of Pascha

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Communion Hymn

Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality.

Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality.
Refrain

Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Refrain

Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia!
On Pascha and during Bright Week, the Paschal Troparion
“Christ is risen from the dead!* By death . . .” (music found on page 164)
is sung once in place of:
“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; . . .”
“We have seen the true light; . . .”
It is sung three times in place of:
“May our mouth be filled . . .”
“Blessed be the name of the Lord, . . .”

At the Dismissal, in place of: “Glory to the Father . . .”

After the Dismissal, the celebrant says three times: “Christ is risen!” and the faithful respond each time: “Indeed he is risen!” The celebrant then sings once: “Christ is risen from the dead! * By death . . .,” and the faithful sing:
Christ Is Risen (alternate melodies)

A

\[ \text{Christ is ris-en, Christ is ris-en, Christ is ris-en, Christ is ris-en from the} \]
\[ \text{dead! By death, by death he tram-pled Death, by death, by death} \]
\[ \text{he tram-pled Death; and to those in the tombs, and to those in the tombs} \]
\[ \text{he grant-ed, he grant-ed, he grant-ed life.} \]

B

\[ \text{Christ is ris-en from the dead! Christ is ris-en from the dead! Christ is ris-en} \]
\[ \text{from the dead! By death he tram-pled Death, by death he} \]
\[ \text{tram-pled Death; and to those in the tombs, and to those in the tombs} \]
\[ \text{he grant-ed, he grant-ed, he grant-ed life.} \]
BRIGHT MONDAY
Everything as on Pascha except:

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):

Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:6,8):

Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.
Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.

BRIGHT TUESDAY
Everything as on Pascha except:

Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.
Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 131:8,11):

Verse: Go up, Lord, to your rest, you and your holy ark.
Verse: The Lord swore a true oath to David; he will not go back on his word.

BRIGHT WEDNESDAY
Everything as on Pascha except:

Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 44:18,11):

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.

Alleluia - Tone 2 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant;
from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

BRIGHT THURSDAY
Everything as on Pascha except:

Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Psalm 46:7,2):

Verse: All you peoples, clap your hands; shout to God with cries of gladness.
Alleluia - *Tone 4* (Psalm 44:5,8):

\[
\text{Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!}
\]

**Verse:** Go forth; triumph and reign for the sake of truth and meekness and justice.

**Verse:** You love justice and hate wickedness.

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**BRIGHT FRIDAY**

*Everything as on Bright Monday*

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**BRIGHT SATURDAY**

*Everything as on Pascha except:*

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Prokeimenon - *Tone 3* (Psalm 26:1):

\[
\text{The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?}
\]

\[
\text{Whom shall I fear?}
\]

**Verse:** The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?

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Alleluia - *Tone 8* (Psalm 92:1):

\[
\text{Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!}
\]

**Verse:** The Lord reigns, he is clothed in majesty; robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

**Verse:** The world he made firm, not to be moved.
THOMAS SUNDAY
Second Paschal Sunday

After “Blessed is the kingdom...” (on all days of Pascha, from Thomas Sunday to the Wednesday before Ascension Thursday)

Troparion - Special Tone 5: (music found on page 164)

Celebrant: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life. (Twice)

On all days of Pascha, from Thomas Sunday to the Wednesday before Ascension Thursday, the usual Sunday Antiphons and Entrance Hymn are sung. Therefore, the refrain for the Second Antiphon, the Third Antiphon (“Come, let us sing joyfully . . .”), and the Entrance Hymn (“Come, let us worship . . .”) is: “O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!” (music found on pages 15, 22, and 25)

Troparion - Tone 7:

Though the tomb had been sealed, O Life, from the grave you a - rose, O Christ our God. Though the door had been locked, you ap-peared a - mong

the disciples, O Resur-rec - tion of All. Through them you renewed an

upright spir-it in us ac-cord-ing to your great mer - cy.

Glory...now and ever...
Kontakion - Tone 8:

With his probing right hand, Thomas searched your life-giving side, O Christ our God.

When you entered, although the doors were locked, he cried out to you with the other apostles: You are my Lord and my God.

Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Psalm 146:5,1):

Great is our Lord and great is his power. His understanding is without measure.

Verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good. May praise delight our God.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 94:1,3):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.
Verse: A mighty God is the Lord, a great king over all the earth.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification: (music found on page 167)
The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again, I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day and has raised the dead. Rejoice, all you nations.
Irmos:
Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem; * for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. * O Zion, now
dance and be glad; * and you, pure Theotokos, * rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 147:1):

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On all days of Pascha, from Thomas Sunday to the Wednesday before Ascension Thursday, the
Paschal Troparion “Christ is risen from the dead! * By death . . .” (music found on page 164)
is sung once in place of: “We have seen the true light; . . .”
“Christ is risen from the dead! * By death . . . Give the blessing.” (music found on page 170)
is sung in place of “Glory to the Father . . .” at the Dismissal.

On the Sundays from Thomas Sunday to the Sunday before Ascension Thursday, on Mid-Pentecost
Wednesday and its Leave-taking, and on the Leave-taking of Pascha, after the Dismissal, the
celebrant says three times: “Christ is risen!” and the faithful respond each time: “Indeed he is
risen!” The celebrant then sings once: “Christ is risen from the dead! * By death . . .,” and
the faithful sing twice: “Christ is risen from the dead! * By death . . .,” adding after the second
time: “And to us he granted life eternal. Let us bow before his resurrection on the third day!”
(music found on page 170)

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS
Third Paschal Sunday

Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 2:

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When you de-scend-ed to death, O Im-mor-tal Life, you de-stroyed

Ha-des by the brilliance of your di-vin-i-ty; and when you raised the dead
from the depths of the earth, all the heavenly powers cried out:

O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to you.

Troparion - Tone 2:

The noble Joseph took down your most pure body from the cross.

He wrapped it in a clean shroud and with fragrant spices laid it in burial in a new tomb. But you, O Lord, arose on the third day, bestowing great mercy upon the world.

Troparion - Tone 2:

The angel standing by the tomb cried out to the myrrh-bearing women:

Myrrh is fitting for the dead, but Christ has shown himself not
subject to corruption. So now cry out: The Lord is risen, bestowing great mercy upon the world.

Glory...

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

By your resurrection, O Christ our God, you told the myrrh-bearers to rejoice; and you stilled the weeping of Eve, the first mother. You commanded your apostles to proclaim: The Savior is risen from the tomb.

Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 8:**

Although you descended into the grave, O Immortal One, you destroyed Hades' power. You arose as a victor, O Christ God. You exclaimed to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! You gave peace to your apostles
Prokeimenon - Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 84:2,11):

Verse: You have favored your land, O Lord; you have restored the well-being of Jacob.
Verse: Mercy and truth have met; justice and peace have kissed.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification: (music found on page 167)
The angel * exclaimed to her, *full of grace: * Rejoice, O pure Virgin; * and again, I say: Rejoice! * Your Son is risen * from the grave on the third day * and has raised the dead. * Rejoice, all you nations.
Irmos: Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem; * for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. * O Zion, now dance and be glad; * and you, pure Theotokos, * rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymns: (music found on pages 168 - 169)
Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 3:

Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; for the Lord has shown the might of his arm. By his death the Lord has trampled Death; he has become the first-born of the dead; he has delivered us from the depths of Hades and has granted great mercy to the world.

Glory...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

O Lord, with your divine authority, as you once raised the paralytic, now raise my soul, paralyzed dreadfully with all kinds of sin and disgraceful deeds, that, being saved, I may cry out to you:

Glory to your power, O merciful Christ.

Now and ever...
Kontakion - Tone 8:

Al-though you descended into the grave, O Im-mor-tal One, you de-stroyed Ha-des' pow-er. You a-rose as a vic-tor, O Christ God. You ex-claimed to the myrrh-bearing wom-en: Re-joice! You gave peace to your a-pos-tles and grant-ed resurrection to the fall-en.

Prokeimenon - Tone 1 (Psalm 32:22,1):

May your mer-cy, O Lord, be up-on us, may your mer-cy be up-on us who have placed our hope in you.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting.

Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 88:2,3):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: I shall sing forever of your mercies, O Lord; through all generations my mouth will proclaim your truth.

Verse: For you have said: Mercy is built to last forever. Your truth is firmly established in heaven.
Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification: (music found on page 167)
The angel * exclaimed to her, * full of grace: * Rejoice, O pure Virgin; * and again, I say: Rejoice! * Your Son is risen *from the grave on the third day * and has raised the dead. * Rejoice, all you nations.

Irmos: Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem; * for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. * O Zion, now dance and be glad; * and you, pure Theotokos, * rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymns: (music found on pages 168 - 169)
Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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MID-PENTECOST WEDNESDAY

Troparion - Tone 8:

In the middle of the feast, quench the thirst of my soul with streams of devotion. For you, O Savior, have exclaimed to all:

Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink.

O Christ our God, Fountain of Life, glory to you!

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

In the middle of the Feast of the Law, O Christ God, Creator and Lord of All,
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Psalm 146:5,1):

Verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good. May praise delight our God.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 73:2,12):

Verse: Remember your flock which you acquired long ago.
Verse: God is our King from all ages. He has accomplished salvation in the middle of the earth.
Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Irmos: Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

Vir - gin - i - ty is something for - eign to moth - ers, and child-bear - ing

is strange for vir - gins. But in you, O The - o - to - kos, both the one

and the oth - er have come to pass. There - fore, we, the peo- ples of the earth,

un - ceas - ing - ly ex - tol you.

This Irmos is sung only on the Mid-Pentecost Wednesday
and on the following Wednesday, the Leave-taking of the feast.

Communion Hymn (John 6:56):

Who-ev - er eats my flesh and drinks my blood re-mains in me

Refrain

and I in him; said the Lord. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!
SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN
Fifth Paschal Sunday

Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 4:

The joyful message of the resurrection was heard by the women disciples from the angel, and being freed from the ancestral curse, they boasted to the apostles: Death is despoiled; Christ our God is risen, giving great mercy to the world.

Troparion of Mid-Pentecost - Tone 8:

In the middle of the feast, quench the thirst of my soul with streams of devotion. For you, O Savior, have exclaimed to all:

Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink.

O Christ our God, Fountain of Life, glory to you!
Glory...

**Kontakion - Tone 8:**

When the Samaritan woman came to the well with faith, she beheld you, O Water of Wisdom. She is famed in song, for she drank deeply and inherited the kingdom from on high.

Now and ever...

**Kontakion of Mid-Pentecost - Tone 4:**

In the middle of the Feast of the Law, O Christ God, Creator and Lord of All, you told those present: Come and draw the water of immortality.

Therefore we adore you and cry out with faith: Grant us your mercies, for you are the Fountain of our Life.
Prokeimenon – Tone 3 (Psalm 46:7,2):

Verse: All you peoples, clap your hands; shout to God with cries of gladness.

Alleluia – Tone 4 (Psalm 44:5,8):

Verse: Go forth; triumph and reign for the sake of truth and meekness and justice.
Verse: You love justice and hate wickedness.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification: (music found on page 167)
The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again, I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day and has raised the dead. Rejoice, all you nations.

Irmos: Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem; for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. O Zion, now dance and be glad; and you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymns: (music found on pages 168 - 169)
Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of Mid-Pentecost is the Wednesday after the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman.
SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND
Sixth Paschal Sunday

Troparion of the Resurrection - **Tone 5:**

O faithful, let us praise and adore the Word eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation.

For he chose to ascend the cross in the flesh and to suffer death, and to raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

Glory...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

With eyes that are spiritually blind I come to you, O Christ; and, like the man who was blind since birth, I cry out to you with repentance:

You are a shining light to those in darkness.

Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 8:**

Although you descended into the grave, O Immortal One, you destroyed Hades'
Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 75:12,2):

Verse: God is known in Judah; in Israel his name is great.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 118:132,133):

Verse: Turn to me in mercy as you turn to those who love your name.
Verse: Guide my footsteps according to your promise, and let no iniquity rule over me.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification: (music found on page 167)

The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again, I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day and has raised the dead. Rejoice, all you nations.
**Irmos:** Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem; * for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. * O Zion, now dance and be glad; * and you, pure Theotokos, * rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

**Communion Hymns:** *(music found on pages 168 - 169)*
Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): *(music found on pages 78 - 81)*
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**The Leave-taking of the Feast of Pascha is the Wednesday after the Sunday of the Man Born Blind.**

**THE ASCENSION**
**OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST**

**First Antiphon** *(Psalm 46:2):*

All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. *(music found on page 15)*

**Second Antiphon** *(Psalm 47:2):*

The Lord is great and worthy of all praise in the city of our God, his holy mountain. O Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!
The faithful **STAND** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: *(music found on pages 18 - 21)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

**Third Antiphon – Tone 4 Troparion (Psalm 48:2):**

Hear this, all you nations; give heed, all who dwell in the world.

**Troparion - Tone 4:**

You were taken up in glory, O Christ our God; you gladdened the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit. By blessing them you confirmed that you are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the World.

**Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):**

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior. O Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!
Entrance Hymn - Tone 4 Troparion (Psalm 46:6):

God ascends amid shouts of joy; the Lord amid trumpet blasts.

Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

Troparion - Tone 4: (music found on page 192)

You were taken up in glory, O Christ our God; * you gladdened the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit. * By blessing them you confirmed * that you are the Son of God, * the Redeemer of the World.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 6:

When you had fulfilled the plan of salvation for us and united the earthly with the heavenly, you were taken up in glory, O Christ our God.

Never parting from us but remaining constantly, you proclaim to those who love you: I am with you and no one can be against you.
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 56:6,8):

Verse: My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready. I shall sing, I shall sing your praise.

Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 46:6,2):

Verse: God ascends amid shouts of joy; the Lord amid trumpet blasts.
Verse: All you peoples clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification:

Irmos:

We, the faith-ful, with one ac-cord pro-claim your great-ness, O Mother of God.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 46:6):

God ascends amid shouts of joy; the Lord amid trumpet blasts.

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

On Ascension Thursday and on all days of its post-feast, the Prokeimenon of the Ascension “Be exalted above . . .” is sung once in place of:

“We have seen the true light; . . .” and “May our mouth be filled . . .”

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 56:6,8): (music found on page 194)

Be exalted above the heavens, O God, and let your glory be over all the earth.
First Antiphon of the Ascension (Psalm 46:2):

All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Second Antiphon of the Ascension (Psalm 47:2):

The Lord is great and worthy of all praise in the city of our God, his holy mountain. O Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful STAND as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: (music found on pages 18 - 21)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.
Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

O Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to you:

Alleluia!

Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God,

who ascended in glory, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 6:

Angelic powers appeared at your tomb, and the guards became like dead men. Mary stood at the tomb seeking your most pure body. You despised Hades without a challenge. You, the Giver of Life met the
Virgin. O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to you!

**Troparion of the Ascension - Tone 4:**

You were taken up in glory, O Christ our God; you gladdened the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit. By blessing them you confirmed that you are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the World.

**Troparion - Tone 8:**

O Christ our God, you are above all praise. You have established our fathers as beacons on the earth, leading us all to the true faith through them. O most merciful Lord, glory to you!

Glory...
Kontakion - Tone 8:

The preaching of the apostles and the teachings of the Fathers have confirmed the one faith of the Church, which she wears as the garment of truth, woven from the theology on high, as she faithfully imparts and glorifies the great mystery of devotion.

Now and ever…

Kontakion of the Ascension - Tone 6:

When you had fulfilled the plan of salvation for us and united the earthly with the heavenly, you were taken up in glory, O Christ our God.

Never parting from us but remaining constantly, you proclaim to those who love you: I am with you and no one can be against you.
Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Daniel 3:26,27):

Verse: For you are just in all that you have done for us.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 49:1,5):

Verse: The God of gods, the Lord, has spoken and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Verse: Gather before him his righteous ones who have made a covenant with him by sacrifice.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification:

Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul, the Lord who was tak - en up bod - i - ly with glo - ry in - to heav - en.
Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And for the Council Fathers, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1):

Re-joice in the Lord you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right,
The Prokeimenon of the Ascension “Be exalted above . . .” is sung once in place of: “We have seen the true light; . . .” and “May our mouth be filled . . .”

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 56:6,8):

Refrain

the up-right is fit-ting. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Ascension is the Friday before Pentecost.

FIFTH ALL SOULS SATURDAY
The propers of the Divine Liturgy for the Faithful Departed are found on page 428.
Panachida (Memorial Service) is found on page 432.

Instead of “We have seen the true light; . . .” we sing one time the Troparion for the Deceased “In the depth of your wisdom, O only Creator. . .” (music found on page 428)
PENTECOST SUNDAY

Special Hymn:  

Tone 6 Samohlasen

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, everywhere present
and filling all things, Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life,
come and dwell within us, cleanse us of all stain, and save
our souls, O gracious One.

First Antiphon (Psalm 18:2):

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his
handiwork.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. (music found on page 15)

Second Antiphon (Psalm 19:2):

The Lord will hear you on the day of distress; the name of Jacob's God will
The faithful **stand** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation:

[](music found on pages 18 - 21)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

**Third Antiphon - Tone 8 Troparion (Psalm 20:2):**

Blessed are you, O Christ our God. You have shown the fisher-men to be all-wise, sending down upon them the Holy Spirit.
Blessed are you, O Christ our God. * You have shown the fishermen to be all-wise, * sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. * Through them you have caught the whole world in your net. * O Lover of us all, glory to you.

Glory…now and ever…

Entrance Hymn - Tone 8 Troparion (Psalm 20:14):

Blessed are you, O Christ our God. * You have shown the fishermen to be all-wise, * sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. * Through them you have caught the whole world in your net. * O Lover of us all, glory to you.

Glory…now and ever…

Troparion - Tone 8: (music found on page 204)

Blessed are you, O Christ our God. * You have shown the fishermen to be all-wise, * sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. * Through them you have caught the whole world in your net. * O Lover of us all, glory to you.

Glory…now and ever…

Kontakion - Tone 8:

When the Most High descended and confused tongues, he scattered nations.

When he distributed the tongues of fire, he called all to unity.

We also, with one voice, glorify the Most Holy Spirit.
Instead of “Holy God. . .” (Galatians 3:27) – Not sung on the post-festive days: (music found on page 31)
All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia! (Three times) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia! All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):

Through all the earth their voice resounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world.

Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 32:6,13):

Al- le- lu - i- a! Al- le- lu - i- a!

Verse: By the word of the Lord the heavens were established; by the breath of his Spirit, all their power.

Verse: From heaven the Lord looked down; he watched over all the children of men.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”
Magnification:

Ex- tol, ex- tol, O my soul, O my soul,
**Irmos:**

**Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting**

Rejoice, O Queen, the glory of virgins and mothers. Even the most sophisticated rhetoric fails to praise you worthily, and every mind spins when it considers how you gave birth. Therefore, we, with one voice, glorify you.

Or the following:

**Irmos:**

**Tone 4 Samopodoben**

Rejoice, rejoice, O Queen, the glory of virgins and mothers. Even the most sophisticated rhetoric fails to praise you worthily, and every
Communion Hymn (Psalm 142:10):

Let your good Spirit guide me in ways that are level and smooth.

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PENTECOST MONDAY
Everything as on Pentecost Sunday except:

Prokeimenon – Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance,

and bless your inheritance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.
Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”

Magnification:

Verse: Have mercy on me, O God, in your kindness.
Verse: Do not cast me away from your presence nor deprive me of your Holy Spirit.

Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 50:3,13):

Irmos:

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

Without experiencing the corruption of childbirth, you gave flesh to the One who devised all things; O Mother who did not know man,

Virgin Theotokos, Dwelling-place of the Impassable One,

and Abode of your Boundless Maker, we extol you.
Or the following:

**Irmos:**

*Tone 7 Irmos*

Without experiencing the corruption of childbirth, you gave flesh to the One who devised all things; O Mother who did not know man, Virgin Theotokos, dwelling-place of the impassable One, and Abode of your Boundless Maker, we exalt you.

**PENTECOST TUESDAY to SATURDAY**

*Everything as on Pentecost Sunday except:*

**Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):**

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

O good Comforter, save us who sing to you:

*Alleluia!*
Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O good Comforter,
save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of Pentecost is the Saturday before the Sunday of All Saints

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

Troparion of the Resurrection- Tone 8:

You descended from on high, O merciful One. You accepted burial for three days to free us from our passions. O Lord, our Resurrection and our Life, glory to you!

Troparion - Tone 4:

Your Church throughout the world, O Lord, clothed with the blood of your martyrs as with royal purple and linen, cries out to you through them,
Kontakion - Tone 8:

To you, O Lord, Gardener of all Creation, the world offers the God-bearing martyrs as the first-fruits of nature. Through their pray'rs and through the Theotokos, preserve your Church, your dwelling place, in perfect peace,

O most merciful One.

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 75:12,2):

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Israel, the God of Israel.

Verse: God is known in Judah; in Israel his name is great.

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Prokeimenon of the Saints - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36):

Verse:
The just cried out and the Lord heard them, and rescued them from all their distress.

Verse:
Many are the trials of the just, but from them all the Lord will rescue them.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 33:18,20):

Verse:  The just cried out and the Lord heard them, and rescued them from all their distress.
Verse:  Many are the trials of the just, but from them all the Lord will rescue them.

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest.  Alleluia!  Alleluia!  Alleluia!

And for All Saints, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1):

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting,

Praise from the upright is fitting.  Alleluia!  Alleluia!
## Sundays After Pentecost

| 2nd Sunday | Tone 1 | 19th Sunday | Tone 2 |
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| 7th Sunday | Tone 6 | 24th Sunday | Tone 7 |
| 8th Sunday | Tone 7 | 25th Sunday | Tone 8 |
| 9th Sunday | Tone 8 | 26th Sunday | Tone 1 |
| 10th Sunday | Tone 1 | 27th Sunday | Tone 2 |
| 11th Sunday | Tone 2 | 28th Sunday | Tone 3 |
| 12th Sunday | Tone 3 | 29th Sunday | Tone 4 |
| 13th Sunday | Tone 4 | 30th Sunday | Tone 5 |
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| 17th Sunday | Tone 8 | 34th Sunday | Tone 1 |
| 18th Sunday | Tone 1 | 35th Sunday | Tone 2 |
Troparion: Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

Let us offer the Lord sighs like the publican. As sinners,

let us fall before him, our Master; for he wills the salvation of
ev'ryone. He grants forgiveness to all who repent

for, while remaining God, co-eternal with the Father, he took

flesh for our sake.

Prokeimenon: Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Alleluia: Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Communion Hymn: For Sunday
SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

Troparion: *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion - *Tone 3:*

When I foolishly spurned your fatherly glory, I squandered the riches you had given me on evil deeds. So now I cry out to you with the voice of the prodigal son: I have sinned against you, O merciful Father; accept my repentance and treat me as one of your hired servants.

Prokeimenon: *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

Alleluia: *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

Communion Hymn: *For Sunday*

FIRST ALL SOULS SATURDAY
*The propers of the Divine Liturgy for the Faithful Departed are found on page 428. Panachida (Memorial Service) is found on page 432.*
**SUNDAY OF MEAT-FARE**

Commemoration of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ as Judge

**Troparion:** *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

Glory…Now and ever…

**Kontakion - Tone 1:**

When you come to the earth in glory, O God, and the universe trembles and a river of fire flows before your judgment seat and the books are opened and everything hidden is revealed, deliver me then from the unquenchable fire and make me worthy to stand at your right hand, O most righteous Judge.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Psalm 146:5,1):**

Great is our Lord and great is his power. His understanding is without measure.

**Verse:** Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good. May praise delight our God.
Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 78)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For the righteous ones, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1): (music found on page 213)
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SUNDAY OF CHEESE-FARE
Commemoration of the Expulsion of Adam and Eve from Paradise

Troparion: Prescribed Resurrection Tone
Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion - Tone 6:
O guide to wisdom and giver of insight, teacher of the ignorant
and protector of the poor, strengthen and enlighten my heart, O Master.

Word of the Father, give me words for, behold, I do not restrain my lips from
Verse: God is known in Judah; in Israel his name is great.

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 91:2,3):
Verse: It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
Verse: To proclaim your mercy in the morning, and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Communion Hymn: For Sunday
FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
Sunday of Orthodoxy

Troparion: Prescribed Resurrection Tone
Troparion - Tone 2:

We bow before your sacred image, O gracious Lord, and beg forgiveness for our offenses, O Christ our God; for you, of your own good will, ascended the cross in your human nature to deliver from the enemy’s bondage those whom you created. Therefore, we gratefully cry out to you: By your coming to save the world, O Savior, you have filled all with joy.

Kontakion - Tone 8:

O Theotokos, the indescribable Word of the Father became describable when he took flesh from you. Our soiled image was restored to its original form,
Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Daniel 3:26,27):

Bless-ed are you and praise-wor-thy, O Lord, the God of our Fa - thers,
and glo - ri - ous for - ev - er is your name.

Verse: For you are just in all that you have done for us.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 98:6):

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Verse: Moses and Aaron were among his priests;
Samuel was among those who called upon his name.
Verse: They called upon the Lord and he answered them.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”
Magnification: (music found on pages 98/102)

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!
Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 78)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For the righteous ones, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1): (music found on page 213)
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SECOND ALL SOULS SATURDAY
The propers of the Divine Liturgy for the Faithful Departed are found on page 428.
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SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Troparion: Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

Now the season for virtues has arrived and the Judge is at the door.

Without looking gloomy, let us fast, offering tears, vigils, and alms,

and let us exclaim: Our sins exceed the grains of sand by the sea.

But forgive us all, O Creator of All, that we may receive the

in-corruptible crown.
**Prokeimenon** - *Tone 5 (Psalm 11:8,2):*

You, O Lord, will keep us and preserve us forever,
for ever from this generation.

**Verse:** Save me, O Lord, for the righteous have vanished.

**Alleluia:** *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

**Instead of** “It is truly proper . . .”

**Magnification:** *(music found on pages 98/102)*

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

**Communion Hymn:** *For Sunday*

**THIRD ALL SOULS SATURDAY**

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST**

Veneration of the Holy Cross

**Troparion:** *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

**Troparion - Tone 1:**

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. Grant victory
Kontakion - **Tone 7:**

Instead of “Holy God”:

We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy resurrection. *(Three times)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

And we glorify your holy resurrection.

We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy resurrection.

Prokeimenon – **Tone 6** (Psalm 27:9,1):

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

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**Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 73:2,12):**

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\text{\textbf{Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!}}
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**Verse:** Remember your flock which you acquired long ago.

**Verse:** God is our King from all ages. He has accomplished salvation in the middle of the earth.

**Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”**

**Magnification:** *(music found on pages 98/102)*

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

**Communion Hymn (Psalm 4:7):**

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\text{We have been signed, O Lord, with the light of your face.} \quad \text{Refrain}
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\text{We have been signed, O Lord, with the light of your face.} \quad \text{Alleluia!}
\]

\[
\text{Alleluia! Alleluia!}
\]

**FOURTH ALL SOULS SATURDAY**

*The propers of the Divine Liturgy for the Faithful Departed are found on page 428.*

*Panachida (Memorial Service) is found on page 432.*
FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
Commemoration of our Venerable Father John Climacus,
Author of “The Ladder”

Troparion: *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

Troparion - *Tone 4*:

Then immediately after the verse:

Prokeimenon: *Prescribed Resurrection Tone*

Then immediately after the verse:

Prokeimenon of a Venerable - *Tone 8* (Psalm 149:5):
**Verses:**

Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

*Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”*

**Magnification:** *(music found on pages 98/102)*

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

**Communion Hymns:**

*For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 78)*

*For a Venerable, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 111:6,7):*

**Alleluia:** *(Prescribed Resurrection Tone)*

Then immediately after the second verse:

**Alleluia of a Venerable - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:14):**

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Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
Troparion - Tone 8:

When he grasped the meaning of the mystical command, the bodiless one stood instantly in Joseph's tent. He said to the woman who knew not wedlock: He who bowed the heavens when he came down is contained entirely in you without change. See-ing him in your womb tak-ing the form of a slave, I am amazed as I ex-claim: Re-joice, O Un-wed-ded Bride.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 8:

O The-o-to-kos, val-iant de-fend-er, your serv-ants offer you hymns of victo-ry in thanks-giv-ing, for you have de-liv-ered us. But since you have invincible power, free
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 131:8,11):

Verse: Go up, Lord, to your rest, you and your holy ark.
Verse: The Lord swore a true oath to David; he will not go back on his word.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
Commemoration of our Holy Mother Mary of Egypt

**Troparion: Prescribed Resurrection Tone**

**Troparion of a Venerable Woman - Tone 8:**

\[\text{In you, O mother, the divine image was strictly preserved;}\]

\[\text{taking up your cross, you followed Christ. You taught us} \]

\[\text{by example how to spurn the flesh, for it passes away, and how to} \]

\[\text{care for the soul, which is immortal. Therefore, Venerable} \]

\[\text{Mary, your soul rejoices with the angels.} \]

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 3:**

\[\text{Once you were filled with all kinds of harlotry; but today, through} \]

\[\text{repentance, you have shown yourself to be a bride of Christ. Yearning for} \]

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Prokeimenon: Prescribed Resurrection Tone
Then immediately after the verse:
Prokeimenon of a Venerable Woman - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36):

Alleluia: Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”
Magnification: (music found on pages 98/102)
In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 78)
For a Venerable Woman, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just woman will be remembered forever; evil news she will not fear, evil news she will not fear. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lazarus Saturday

Troparion - Tone 1:

Christ our God, before your passion you confirmed our common resurrection when you raised Lazarus from the dead. Therefore, like the children, we carry the symbols of victory and cry out to you, the Victor over Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Glory…Now and ever…

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

O Christ, the Joy of All, the Truth, the Light, the Life, and the Resurrection of the World, has appeared to those on earth because of his goodness.

He became the pattern of our resurrection, granting divine forgiveness to all.

**Instead of “Holy God. . .” (Galatians 3:27):**  *(music found on page 31)*

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia! *(Three times)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

**Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Psalm 26:1):**

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?

Whom shall I fear?

**Verse:** The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?
Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 92:1):

Verse: The Lord reigns, he is clothed in majesty; robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

Verse: The world he made firm, not to be moved.

Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."

Irmos: Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting:

Ol peo-ple, let us honor the The-o-to-kos, glo-rious in pur-i-ty.

She bore the Di-vine Fire in her womb and was not con-sumed.

With un-ceas-ing hymns, let us ex-tol her.

Or the following:

Irmos: Tone 8 Irmos

Ol peo-ple, let us hon-or the The-o-to-kos, glo-rious in pu-ri-ty.

She bore the Di-vine Fire in her womb and was not con-sumed. With un-ceas-ing
Communion Hymn (Psalm 8:3):

From the mouths of infants, infants and children you have fashioned

Refrain

perfect praise, you have fashioned perfect praise. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

PALM SUNDAY
The Journey of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

First Antiphon (Psalm 114:1):

I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. (music found on page 15)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 115:1):

I trusted even when I said: I am sorely afflicted.
The faithful **STAND** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation:  
*(music found on pages 18 - 21)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

**Third Antiphon - Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 117:1):**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his mercy endures for ever.

**Troparion of Lazarus - Tone 1:**

Christ our God, before your passion you confirmed our common resurrection when you raised Lazarus from the dead. Therefore, like the children, we
Entrance Hymn - Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 117:26,27):

Christ our God, before your passion you confirmed our common resurrection * when you raised Lazarus from the dead. * Therefore, like the children, we carry the symbols of victory * and cry out to you, the Victor over Death: * Hosanna in the highest!  Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Troparion of Lazarus - Tone 1: (music found on page 236)

Christ our God, before your passion you confirmed our common resurrection * when you raised Lazarus from the dead. * Therefore, like the children, we carry the symbols of victory * and cry out to you, the Victor over Death: * Hosanna in the highest!  Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Tone 4 Troparion:

Troparion - Tone 4:

Through baptism we were buried with you, O Christ our God, and we have
become worthy of immortal life by your resurrection. Therefore, we raise our voices in praise to you: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Tone 6:

Now and ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion - Tone 6:

In heaven you are seated on a throne; but on earth upon a colt, O Christ our God.

You accepted the praise of angels and the song of the children crying out to you:

Blessed is he who comes to restore Adam.
Prokeimenon - *Tone 4* (Psalm 117:26,27,1):

**Verse:** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.

Alleluia - *Tone 1* (Psalm 97:1,3):

**Verse:** Sing a new song to the Lord, for the Lord has worked wonders.

**Verse:** All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

*Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”*

**Magnification:**

Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul, the Lord seated on a colt, the Lord seated on a colt.
Irmos:

**Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting**

The Lord is God and has revealed himself to us. Prepare the festival!

Come, and with great rejoicing, let us exalt Christ.

With palms and branches in our hands, let us sing his praises:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord our Savior.

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**Tone 4 Samopodoben**

The Lord is God and has revealed himself to us. Prepare the festival! Come, and with great rejoicing, let us exalt Christ. With palms and branches in our hands, let us sing his praises: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord our Savior.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 117:26,27):

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God and has re-vealed him-self to us. Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le - lu - ia!
Immovable Feasts

September 7
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS

Troparion - Tone 4:

To-day is born to us, from the root of Jesse and the loins of David,
Mary, the godly child. Therefore, all creation rejoices and is renewed.
Heaven and earth rejoice together. You families of nations sing her praise.

Joachim is elated and Anna cries out in celebration: The barren woman
gives birth to the Theotokos and the Sustainer of our Life.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

Today the Virgin Mary, the Theotokos, is born from a
barren womb according to the divine plan. She is the inviolate bridal
chamber of the heaven-ly bride-groom. The char-iot of the Word is made read-y, for this is why she was pre-or-dained to be the gate-way of God and tru-ly the Moth-er of Life.

September 8
THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

Troparion - Tone 4:

Your birth, O Vir-gin The-o-tokos, her-alded joy to the uni-verse; for from you arose the Sun of Just-ice, Christ our God. Re-mov-ing the curse, he gave the bles-sing, and by de-stroy-ing Death, he grant-ed us e-ter-nal life. Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

At your ho-ly birth, O Im-mac-u-late One, Jo-achim and Anna were freed from the re-proach of child-less-ness and Ad-am and Eve from the
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit rejoices
in God my Savior.

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant;
from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13):
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.
Verse: The rich among the people will seek your favor.
Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Ex - tol,  ex - tol,  O my soul,  O my soul,

the  Vir - gin Mar - y born of the bar - ren wo - man.

Irmos:  

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

Vir - gin - i - ty is some - thing for - eign to moth - ers, and child - bear - ing

is strange for vir - gins. But in you, O The - o - to - kos, both the one

and the oth - er have come to pass. There - fore, we, the peo - ples of the earth,

un - ceas - ing - ly ex - tol you.

Or the following:

Irmos:  

Tone 2 Samopodoben

Vir - gin - i - ty is some - thing for - eign
to moth - ers, and child - bear - ing
Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):

I shall take the chalice, the chalice of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord, and call upon the name of the Lord.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
On the Saturday from September 7 to 12
SATURDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
If the Saturday before the Exaltation falls on September 7, 9, 10, 11, or 12 then the following Prokeimenon and Alleluia are sung:

**Prokeimenon** - *Tone 3 (Psalm 46:7,2):*

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Sing praise to our God, sing praise; sing praise to our King, sing praise,

sing praise to our King, sing praise!
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**Verse:** All you peoples, clap your hands; shout to God with cries of gladness.

**Alleluia** - *Tone 5 (Psalm 88:2,3):*

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Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
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**Verse:** I shall sing forever of your mercies, O Lord;
through all generations my mouth will proclaim your truth.

**Verse:** For you have said: Mercy is built to last forever.
Your truth is firmly established in heaven.

On the Sunday from September 7 to 12
SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
If the Sunday before the Exaltation is September 13, please see page 249.

**Troparion:** Prescribed Resurrection Tone

*Only on September 7:*

**Troparion of the Pre-feast of the Nativity** - *Tone 4: (music found on page 242)*

Today is born to us, from the root of Jesse and the loins of David, * Mary, the godly child. * Therefore, all creation rejoices and is renewed. * Heaven and earth rejoice together. * You families of nations sing her praise. * Joachim is elated and Anna cries out in celebration: * The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos and the Sustainer of our Life.
On September 8 through 12:

Troparion of the Nativity - Tone 4: (music found on page 243)
Your birth, O Virgin Theotokos, * heralded joy to the universe; * for from you arose the Sun of Justice, Christ our God. * Removing the curse, he gave the blessing, * and by destroying Death * he granted us eternal life.

Only on September 7:
Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion of the Pre-feast of the Nativity - Tone 3: (music found on page 242)
Today the Virgin Mary, the Theotokos, * is born from a barren womb according to the divine plan. * She is the inviolate bridal chamber of the heavenly bridegroom. * The chariot of the Word is made ready, * for this is why she was preordained * to be the gateway of God and truly the Mother of Life.

Only on September 8 and 12:
Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion of the Nativity - Tone 4: (music found on page 243)
At your holy birth, O Immaculate One, * Joachim and Anna were freed from the reproach of childlessness * and Adam and Eve from the corruption of death. * Your people, delivered from the guilt of their faults, * celebrate your birth and cry out: * The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos and the Sustainer of our Life.

On September 9 through 11:
Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion: Prescribed Resurrection Tone

On September 7, 9, 10, 11, and 12:

Prokeimenon – Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Save your peo - ple, O Lord, and bless your in - her - i - tance,

and bless your in - her - i - tance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.
On September 7, 9, 10, 11, and 12:

**Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:20-22):**

\[ \text{Verse:} \text{ I have exalted one chosen from my people and with my holy oil I have anointed him.} \\
\text{Verse:} \text{ My hand shall protect him and my arm shall make him strong.} \]

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On September 8 through 12, instead of “It is truly proper…”

**Magnification:** *(music found on page 245)*

Extol, O my soul, the Virgin Mary, born of the barren woman.

**Irmos:** Virginity is something foreign to mothers, * and childbearing is strange for virgins. * But in you, O Theotokos, both the one and the other have come to pass. * Therefore, we, the peoples of the earth, unceasingly extol you.

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**Communion Hymns:**

**For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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**On September 8 through 12, for the Mother of God, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 115:4): (music found on page 246)**

I shall take the chalice of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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September 13

On a Sunday

**PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

The Commemoration of the Dedication of the Church of the Resurrection of our Lord in Jerusalem

**Troparion:** Prescribed Resurrection Tone
Troparion of the Dedication - Tone 4:

Lord, Life, and Resurrection of All, you showed the beauty of the holy dwelling-place of your glory on earth like the splendor of the firmament on high.

Make it stand firm forever. Through the Theotokos, accept our prayers which we unceasingly offer to you within it.

Troparion of the Pre-feast - Tone 4:

Lord, we offer to you in intercession the goodness of your life-creating cross which you gave to us, your unworthy people.

Save our nation and your Church which implores you through the Theotokos.

For you alone love us all.

Glory...Now and ever...
Kontakion of the Pre-feast - Tone 8:

Today the saving wood shines forth from the bosom of the earth. It is reverently lifted up in the church by the hands of the bishop. The whole world prostrates and kisses it with awe. Save us through your cross, O Lord.

Prokeimenon – Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:20-22):

Verse: I have exalted one chosen from my people and with my holy oil I have anointed him.

Verse: My hand shall protect him and my arm shall make him strong.

Communion Hymn: For Sunday
September 13
On a day other than a Sunday
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
The Commemoration of the Dedication of the
Church of the Resurrection of our Lord in Jerusalem

**Troparion of the Dedication - Tone 4:** *(music found on page 250)*

Lord, Life, and Resurrection of All, * you showed the beauty of the holy dwelling-place of your glory on earth * like the splendor of the firmament on high. * Make it stand firm forever. * Through the Theotokos, * accept our prayers which we unceasingly offer to you within it.

**Troparion of the Pre-feast - Tone 4:** *(music found on page 250)*

Lord, we offer to you in intercession * the goodness of your life-creating cross * which you gave to us your unworthy people. * Save our nation and your Church * which implores you through the Theotokos. * For you alone love us all.

Glory…Now and ever…

**Kontakion of the Pre-feast - Tone 8:** *(music found on page 251)*

Today the saving wood shines forth * from the bosom of the earth. * It is reverently lifted up in the church * by the hands of the bishop. * The whole world prostrates and kisses it with awe. * Save us through your cross, O Lord.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 92:5,1):**

[Music not included in text]

**Verse:** The Lord reigns, he is clothed in majesty; robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

**Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 86:1-3):**

[Music not included in text]
Verse: On the holy mountain is his city cherished by the Lord. The Lord prefers the gates of Zion to all Jacob’s dwellings.

Verse: Of you are told glorious things, O City of God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 25:8):

_O Lord, I love the splendor of your house_ and the place where your glory dwells, and the place where your glory dwells.

Refrain

_Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

September 14

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

First Antiphon (Psalm 21:2):

_My God, my God, hear me; why have you forsaken me?_ Far from my salvation are the words of my transgressions.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. *(music found on page 15)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.
Second Antiphon (Psalm 73:1):

Why, O God, have you cast us off forever? Why does your anger smoulder against the sheep of your pasture? O Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful stand as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: (music found on pages 18 - 21)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Third Antiphon - Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 98:1):

The Lord is King; let the peoples rage. He is enthroned upon the Cherubim; let the earth quake.

Troparion - Tone 1:

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. Grant victory
Entrance Hymn - Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 98:5):

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. * Grant victory to your Church over evil, * and protect your people by your cross.
Glory…Now and ever…

Troparion - Tone 1: (music found on page 254)
Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. * Grant victory to your Church over evil, * and protect your people by your cross.
Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion - Tone 4:

Christ our God, who were willingly raised upon the cross, grant your mercies to the new people who bear your name. By your power grant joy to the Church.

Give her victory over evil with your invincible trophy,
the weapon of peace, as an ally.
Instead of “Holy God”:  *(music found on pages 32-33)*
We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy resurrection. *(Three times)*
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
And we glorify your holy resurrection.
We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy resurrection.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 7** (Psalm 98:5,1):

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Ex-alt the Lord, the Lord our God and wor-ship at his foot-stool;
for he is ho-ly, for he is ho-ly.
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**Verse:** The Lord is King; let the peoples rage.

**Alleluia - Tone 1** (Psalm 73:2,12):

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Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
Al-le-lu-ia!
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**Verse:** Remember your flock which you acquired long ago.
**Verse:** God is our King from all ages; he has accomplished salvation in the middle of the earth.

*Instead of “It is truly proper…”*

**Magnification:**

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Ex-tol, ex-tol, O my soul, O my soul,
the most pre-cious cross of the Lord.
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Irmos:  

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

You are a mystical paradise, O The-o-to-kos; Christ has blossomed forth from you without till-ing. He planted the life-bearing tree of the cross on the earth.

As we now ex-alt the cross and bow before it, we pro-claim your great-ness.

Or the following:

Irmos:  

Tone 8 Samopodoben

You are a mystical para-dis-e, O The-o-to-kos; Christ has blossomed forth from you without till-ing.

He planted the life-bearing tree of the cross on the earth.

As we now ex-alt the cross and bow before it, we pro-claim your great-ness.
The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Exaltation is September 21.
On the Sunday from September 15 to 21
SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

First Antiphon (Psalm 21:2): (music found on page 253)
My God, my God, hear me; why have you forsaken me? Far from my salvation are the words of my transgressions.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 73:1): (music found on page 254)
Why, O God, have you cast us off forever? Why does your anger smolder against the sheep of your pasture?
O Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful [STAND] as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation:
(music found on pages 18 - 21)
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.
Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

O Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to you:

Al-le-lu-ia!

Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to you: Al-le-lu-ia!

Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Troparion of the Cross - Tone 1: (music found on page 254)
Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. * Grant victory to your Church over evil, * and protect your people by your cross.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion of the Cross - Tone 4: (music found on page 255)
Christ our God, who were willingly raised upon the cross, * grant your mercies to the new people who bear your name. * By your power grant joy to the Church. * Give her victory over evil * with your invincible trophy, the weapon of peace, * as an ally.

Instead of “Holy God”: (music found on pages 32-33)
We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy resurrection. (Three times)
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
And we glorify your holy resurrection.
We bow to your cross, O Lord, and we glorify your holy resurrection.
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 98:5,1):

Verse: The Lord is King; let the peoples rage.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 73:2,12):

Verse: Remember your flock which you acquired long ago.
Verse: God is our King from all ages; he has accomplished salvation in the middle of the earth.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification: (music found on page 256)
Extol, O my soul, the most precious cross of the Lord.

Irmos: You are a mystical paradise, O Theotokos; Christ has blossomed forth from you without tilling. He planted the life-bearing tree of the cross on the earth. As we now exalt the cross and bow before it, we proclaim your greatness.

Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78-81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For the Cross, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 4:7): (music found on page 258)
We have been signed, O Lord, with the light of your face. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Exaltation is September 21.
October 1
THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

Troparion - Tone 4:
Protect ed by your appearance, O Moth-er of God; to-day, we devout people

sol-emn-ly cel - e-brate. Gaz-ing up-on your most pure i-con, we fer-vent-ly say:

Protect us with your ho-ly veil, and de-liv-er us from all e-vil,
im - ploring your Son, Christ our God, to save our souls.

Glory...now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:
To - day the Vir - gin is pres - ent in the Church, and with the

choirs of saints, invisibly prays to God for us. The an-gels wor - ship

with the hier - archs, the a - pos-tles re - joice with the proph - ets;

be-cause the The - o - to - kos prays for us to the e-ter - nal God.
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13):

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.
Verse: The rich among the people will seek your favor.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):

Refrain
On the Sunday from October 11 to 17

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS AT THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Troparion - Tone 8:

O Christ our God, you are above all praise. You have established our fathers as beacons on the earth, leading us all to the true faith through them. O most merciful Lord, glory to you!

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 6:

The Son shone forth from the Father indescribably. In two natures he was born of a woman. Recognizing this, we do not reject the representation of his human form; rather, we depict it with reverence and honor it with faith.

Therefore the Church holds fast to the true faith and kisses the image of the incarnation of Christ.
Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Daniel 3:26,27):

Bless-ed are you and praise-wor-thy, O Lord, the God of our Fa-thers, and glo-ri-ous for-ev-er is your name.

Verse: For you are just in all that you have done for us.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 49:1,5):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: The God of gods, the Lord, has spoken and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Verse: Gather before him his righteous ones who have made a covenant with him by sacrifice.

Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For the Council Fathers, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1):

Re-joice in the Lord you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right, the up-right is fit-ting. Alle-lu-ia! Alle-lu-ia!

Alle-lu-ia!
November 8

THE SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY ARCHANGEL MICHAEL
AND ALL ANGELIC POWERS

Troparion - Tone 4:

Leaders of the heavenly armies, although we are unworthy, we always beseech you to fortify us by your pray'rs and to shelter us beneath the wings of your sublime glory. Watch over us who bow to you and cry out fervently: Deliver us from danger, for you are the commanders of the powers on high.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 2:

Leaders of God's armies and ministers of divine glory, commanders of angels and guides of mortals, plead on our behalf for what we need and for great mercy; since you are the leaders of the heav'n-ly hosts.
**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 103:4,1):**

You make your angels spirits and your ministers a flaming fire, and your ministers a flaming fire.

**Verse:** Bless the Lord, O my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.

**Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 148:2,5):**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Verse:** Praise the Lord, all his angels; praise him all his hosts.

**Verse:** He spoke and they were made; he commanded and they were created.

**Communion Hymn (Psalm 103:4):**

You make your angels, make your angels spirits and your ministers a flaming fire, and your ministers a flaming fire, a flaming fire. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
November 20
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE ENTRANCE

**Troparion - Tone 4:**

Today Anna prepares for us a joy that dispels all sadness for she has blossomed and borne the only Ever-Virgin. Today she fulfills her vows with gladness and leads into the Temple of the Lord the one who is the true temple of God the Word and his pure Mother.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

Filled with joy today by the auspicious feast of the Theotokos, the whole world cries out: This is the Heavenly Ark.
November 21
THE ENTRANCE
OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY INTO THE TEMPLE

Troparion - Tone 4:

Today is the prelude of God's benevolence and the herald of our salvation; for the Virgin openly appears in the temple of God and fore-tells Christ to all. Let us also with full voice exclaim to her:

Rejoice, fulfillment of the Creator's plan.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

The most pure Temple of the Saviour, the most precious Bridal Chamber and Virgin, the Treasury of the glory of God, is led today into the house of the Lord, bringing grace in the Spirit of God.

God's angels praise her in song; she is the Heavenly Ark.
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.
Verse: The rich among the people will seek your favor.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

The angels were struck with amazement, beholding the entrance of the Most Pure; seeing how the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies.
Irmos:  

**Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting**

Let no uninitiated hand touch the living Ark of God; but let faithful lips, singing without ceasing the words of the angel to the Theotokos, cry aloud in great joy: O pure Virgin, you are truly exalted over all.

Or the following:

**Irmos:**  

**Tone 4 Samopodoben**

Let no uninitiated hand touch the living Ark of God; but let faithful lips, singing without ceasing the words of the angel to the Theotokos, cry aloud in great joy: O pure Virgin, you are truly exalted over all.
**Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):**

I shall take the chalice, the chalice of salvation,

and call upon the name of the Lord, the name of the Lord.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

**The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Entrance is November 25.**

On the Thursday from November 22 to 28
THANKSGIVING DAY

**Troparion - Tone 7:**

You made the earth, O God, and all it contains. You have given us a share in your life. All creation sings praise to you. As our forefathers gave thanks to you after coming to these shores, we, your unworthy servants,

also give thanks on this day for all your benefits bestowed throughout the years.
Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 3:**

Today, O faithful, sing to God your thanksgiving hymns; learning Scripture’s command to give thanks with heart as well as lips, and to seal heart and lips with blessed deeds. Let America play her thankful part among the nations, giving praise to our saving Lord, the benefactor of our souls.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 2 (Psalm 115:8,3):**

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make; I shall call on the Lord’s name.

**Verse:** What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?
**Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 117:21,28):**

Verse: I shall thank you for you have answered and you are my Savior.
Verse: You are my God, I thank you; my God, I praise you.

**Communion Hymns:**

*The First Hymn is (Psalm 68:31):*

I shall praise God's name, God's name with song; I shall glorify him with thanksgiving, I shall glorify him with thanksgiving.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*The Second Hymn is (Psalm 66:7):*

The earth has yielded, has yielded its fruit, for God, our God, has blessed us, for God, our God, has blessed us. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Refrain

Alleluia!
December 6
OUR HOLY FATHER NICHOLAS THE WONDER-WORKER,
ARCHBISHOP OF MYRA IN LYCIA

Troparion - Tone 4:

Your life has shown you to your flock as a rule of faith, an image of gentleness, and a teacher of moderation. You acquired greatness through humility and wealth through poverty. O father and archbishop Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

You were renowned as a priest in Myra, O holy Nicholas; for you fulfilled the Gospel of Christ, O venerable father. You risked your life for your people and saved the innocent from death. Thereby you have been initiated into the mysteries of the grace of God.
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 131:9; 111:1):

Verse: Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice.
Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.

Cherubic Hymn

on the hymn, “O kto, kto”

Let us, who mystically represent the cherubim, and sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating, life-creating Trinity, now set aside all earthly cares.
A - men. That we may re - ceive the King of All, invisibly 
es-cort-ed by an-gel-ic hosts. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ia!

Anamnesis Acclamation

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, thank you, O 
Lord, and we pray to you, our God, and we pray to you, our God, 
and we pray to you, our God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just man will be re - mem-bered for ev - er; e - vil news he will not fear.

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
December 7
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE MATERNITY

Troparion - Tone 4:

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3: (music found on page 242)

Today the Virgin Mary, the Theotokos, * is born from a barren womb according to the divine plan. * She is the inviolate bridal chamber of the heavenly bridegroom. * The chariot of the Word is made ready, * for this is why she was preordained * to be the gateway of God and truly the Mother of Life.

December 8
THE MATERNITY OF THE HOLY ANNA

Troparion - Tone 4:

of Jo-a-chim and An- na. He prom- ised, beyond hope, the birth of their
glorifying daughter. The Indescribable, himself, born of her as a mortal, commanded us through the angel to sing to her: Rejoice, O woman full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

Today the whole world celebrates how Anna becomes a mother by the power of God. She conceived the woman whose conception of the Word is beyond our words.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):**

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Israel, the God of Israel.

**Verse:** In the churches bless God; from Israel’s wellsprings bless the Lord.
Alleluia - Tone I (Psalm 36:39,40):

Verse: The salvation of the just is from the Lord; he is their protector in time of distress.

Verse: The Lord will help them and deliver them and rescue them from sinners and save them, for they have hoped in him.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Irmos: Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

Let us, the faithful, exalt the Theotokos, the ever-flowing Fountain of Life, radiant Beacon of Grace, Living Temple, and most pure Tabernacle, more spacious than earth and heaven.
Or the following:

**Irmos:**

**Tone 1 Samopodoben**

Let us, the faithful, exalt the Theotokos, the ever-flowing Fountain of Life, radiant Beacon of Grace, Living Temple, and most pure Tabernacle, more spacious than earth and heaven.

**Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):**

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright, the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
On the Sunday from December 11 to 17
SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY
Sunday of the Forefathers

Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Troparion - Tone 2:

By faith, you, O Christ, justified the forefathers. Through them you betrothed yourself to a Church from all nations. The saints rejoice in glory because a glorious offspring has blossomed from their seed: the Mother who bore you without seed. Through their pray'rs, O Christ our God, have mercy on us.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 6:

You did not worship a man-made image, O thrice-bless'd youths. You armed yourselves with uncreated divinity. You were glorified in the
Verse: For you are just in all that you have done for us.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 98:6):

Verse: Moses and Aaron were among his priests; Samuel was among those who called upon his name.

Verse: They called upon the Lord and he answered them.

Communion Hymns:

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
And for the righteous ones, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1):

Re-joice in the Lord you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right,

the up-right is fit-ting. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

December 20

On a day other than a Sunday

PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY

Troparion - Tone 4:

Beth-le-hem, make read-y, E-den has been o-pened for all.

Eph-ra-thah, pre-pare your-self, for the Tree of Life has blossomed from the Vir-gin in the cave. Her womb has become a spir-it-ual para-dis-e in which di-vin-i-ty was plant-ed. If we par-take of it, we shall live and not die like A-dam. Christ is born to raise up the like-ness that had fall-en.
Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3

Today the Virgin is coming to the cave to give birth to the eternal Word in a manner beyond expression.

Let the world dance when it hears the news; with the angels and shepherds glorify the eternal God who chose to appear as a new-born child.

December 21 to 23
On days other than Sunday
PRE-FESTIVE DAYS OF THE NATIVITY

Troparion - Tone 4: (music found on page 283)
Bethlehem, make ready, * Eden has been opened for all. * Ephrathah, prepare yourself, * for the Tree of Life has blossomed from the Virgin in the cave. * Her womb has become a spiritual paradise * in which divinity was planted. * If we partake of it, * we shall live and not die like Adam. * Christ is born to raise up the likeness that had fallen.

Kontakion - Tone 2:

As we see the One who holds the world in his hands now wrapped in
swaddling clothes in Beth-le-hem, let us of-fer our hymns in anticipation to
the one who gave him birth; for with a mother's joy she cra-dles the
Son of God.

On the Sunday from December 18 to 24
SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY
Sunday of the Ancestors

Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Troparion - Tone 2:

Great are the ac-com-plish-ments of faith: the three ho-ly youths rejoiced in
the streams of fire as if in re-fresh-ing wa-ters; and Dan-i-el the prophet
shep-herd-ed li-ons like sheep. Through their pray'rs, O

Christ our God, save our souls.
On December 20 through 23:

**Troparion of the Pre-feast - Tone 4:** (music found on page 283)

Bethlehem, make ready, * Eden has been opened for all. * Ephrathah, prepare yourself, * for the Tree of Life has blossomed from the Virgin in the cave. * Her womb has become a spiritual paradise * in which divinity was planted. * If we partake of it * we shall live and not die like Adam. * Christ is born to raise up the likeness that had fallen.*

Only on December 24:

**Troparion of the Vigil - Tone 4:**

On December 18 and 19:

Glory…Now and ever…

**Kontakion - Tone 6:** (music found on page 281)

You did not worship a man-made image, O thrice-blessed youths. * You armed yourselves with uncreated divinity. * You were glorified in the trial by fire. * Withstanding the flames, you stood and called out: * Hasten, O compassionate God, and hurry to help us in your mercy. * For you can do whatever you will.
On December 20 and 24:
Glory…Now and ever…
Kontakion of the Pre-feast - Tone 3: *(music found on page 284)*
Today the Virgin is coming to the cave * to give birth to the eternal Word * in a manner beyond expression. * Let the world dance when it hears the news; * with the angels and shepherds glorify the eternal God * who chose to appear as a newborn child.

On December 21 through 23:
Glory…Now and ever…
Kontakion of the Pre-feast - Tone 2: *(music found on page 284)*
As we see the One who holds the world in his hands * now wrapped in swaddling clothes in Bethlehem, * let us offer our hymns in anticipation to the one who gave him birth; * for with a mother’s joy she cradles the Son of God.

Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Daniel 3:26,27):

Prokeimenon

Bless-ed are you and praise-wor-thy, O Lord, the God of our Fa - thers,

and glo - ri - ous for - ev - er is your name.

Verse:  For you are just in all that you have done for us.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 43:2,8):

Verse:  O God, we have heard with our own ears;
our fathers have told us the deed you did in their days.

Verse:  You saved us from those who oppressed us; and those who hated us you put to shame.

Communion Hymns:
*For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): *(music found on pages 78 - 81)*
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*For the righteous ones, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1): *(music found on page 283)*
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Troparion - Tone 4: (music found on page 286)

At that time, Mary registered in Bethlehem * with the elder Joseph who was of the house of David. * She had conceived without seed and was with child, * and her time to give birth had come. * They found no room at the inn, * but the cave became a pleasant palace for the Queen. * Christ is born to raise up the likeness that had fallen.

Troparion - Tone 8:

In you, O mother, the divine image was strictly preserved;

taking up your cross, you followed Christ. You taught us

by example how to spurn the flesh, for it passes away, and how to

care for the soul, which is immortal. Therefore, O venerable Eugenia, your soul rejoices with the angels.

Kontakion of the Pre-feast - Tone 3: (music found on page 284)

Today the Virgin is coming to the cave * to give birth to the eternal Word * in a manner beyond expression. * Let the world dance when it hears the news; * with the angels and shepherds glorify the eternal God * who chose to appear as a newborn child.
December 25
THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

First Antiphon (Psalm 110:1; 9:2):

I shall thank you, O Lord, with all my heart; I shall declare all your wondrous deeds.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. *(music found on page 15)*
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 111:1):

Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.

O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you.

Al-le-lu-ia!

*The faithful **STAND** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: *(music found on pages 18 - 21)*
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Third Antiphon - Tone 4 Troparion (Psalm 109:1):

The Lord said to my Lord: Sit at my right hand till I make your
Troparion - Tone 4: (music found above)

Your birth, O Christ our God, * has shed upon the world the light of knowledge; * for through it, those who worshiped the stars * have learned from a star to worship you, the Sun of Justice, * and to know you, the Dawn from on High. * Glory to you, O Lord!

Entrance Hymn - Tone 4 Troparion (Psalm 109:3,4):

From the womb, before the morning star, I have begotten you. The Lord has sworn and he will not repent: You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.
Kontakion - Tone 3:

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One; and the earth offers a cave to the Unapproachable. The angels sing his glory with the shepherds; the wise men journey with the star.

The eternal God is born for us as an infant child.

Instead of “Holy God...” (Galatians 3:27) – Not sung on the post-festive days:

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia! (Three times) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia! All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Alleluia!

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 65:4,1,2):

Let all the earth worship you and sing praise to you; let everyone sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Verse: Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; sing praise to his name, give to him glorious praise.
Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 18:2,3):

Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Verse: Day unto day pours out the word and night unto night imparts knowledge.

Cherubic Hymn:

on the hymn, “Divnaja novina”
Anamnesis Acclamation:

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord, and we pray to you,
our God, pray to you, our God.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul,
Christ the King born in a cave, Christ the King, born in a cave.

Irmos:  

Tone 1 Samopodoben

I see a strange and marvelous mystery: heaven is a cave; the cherubic throne, a virgin; the manger has become the place in which Christ the incomprehensible God lies down. Let us
The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Nativity is December 31.

December 26
THE SYNAXIS OF THE
THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

First Antiphon (Psalm 110:1; 9:2): (music found on page 289)
I shall thank you, O Lord, with all my heart; I shall declare all your wondrous deeds.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 111:1): (music found on page 289)
Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful [STAND] as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: (music found on pages 18 - 21)
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.
Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior!

O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you:

Al-le-lu-ia!

Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God,
born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Al-le-lu-ia!

Troparion of the Nativity - Tone 4: (music found on page 290)
Your birth, O Christ our God, * has shed upon the world the light of knowledge; * for through it, those who worshiped the stars * have learned from a star to worship you, the Sun of Justice, * and to know you, the Dawn from on High. * Glory to you, O Lord!

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 6:

Before the morning star, he was born of the Father without a mother; today,
on earth, he has become man from you without a father. A star announces
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 131:8,11):

Verse: Go up, Lord, to your rest, you and your holy ark.
Verse: The Lord swore a true oath to David; he will not go back on his word.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:
Irmos: (Psalm 110:9): (music found on page 294)

The Lord has sent deliverance to his people. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Rev'-rent si-lence would run no risk; but love com-pels us, O Virgin, to a more dif-fi-cult task: to weave well-wrought hymns of de-votion. O Moth-er, give us the strength to do what we in-tend.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 110:9): (music found on page 294)
The Lord has sent deliverance to his people. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
December 27
THE HOLY APOSTLE, FIRST MARTYR, AND ARCHDEACON STEPHEN

First Antiphon (Psalm 110:1; 9:2): *(music found on page 289)*
I shall thank you, O Lord, with all my heart; I shall declare all your wondrous deeds.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 111:1): *(music found on page 289)*
Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful **STAND** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: *(music found on pages 18 - 21)*
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1): *(music found on page 295)*
Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6): *(music found on page 295)*
Come, let us worship and bow before Christ.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

Troparion of the Nativity - **Tone 4:** *(music found on page 290)*
Your birth, O Christ our God, * has shed upon the world the light of knowledge; * for through it, those who worshiped the stars * have learned from a star to worship you, the Sun of Justice, * and to know you, the Dawn from on High. * Glory to you, O Lord!

Troparion - **Tone 4:**

\[\text{First martyrs and apostle of Christ, you fought the good fight.}\]

\[\text{You convicted the tyrants of their wickedness. When you were killed}\]
by stoning at the hands of sinners, you received a crown from God's right hand

while you cried out: Lord, do not hold this sin against them.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 3:**

Yesterday, in human flesh the Master came to us; today, from the flesh, his servant departs. Yesterday, the King was born in the flesh; today, his servant is killed by stoning. Thus the holy Stephen, the first martyr, is brought to perfection.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):**

Through all the earth their voice resounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world.

**Verse:** The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:6,8):

Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.
Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification: (music found on page 293)
Extol, O my soul, Christ the King, born in a cave.

Irmos: I see a strange and marvelous mystery:  * heaven is a cave; * the cherubic throne a Virgin; * the manger has become the place * in which Christ, the incomprehensible God, lies down. * Let us praise him and extol him.

Communion Hymns:

For the Nativity, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 110:9): (music found on page 294)
The Lord has sent deliverance to his people. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And for the Holy Martyr Stephen, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 18:5):

Through all the earth their voice re-sounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia!
SATURDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY

First and Second Antiphons of the Nativity
Post-festive Third Antiphon
Post-festive Entrance Hymn
Troparion of the Nativity
Troparion for the Saint of the Day
Kontakion for the Saint of the Day (Optional)
Kontakion of the Nativity

Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 44:18,11):

I shall make your name remembered in all generations.

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 131:8,11):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: Go up, Lord, to your rest, you and your holy ark.
Verse: The Lord swore a true oath to David; he will not go back on his word.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification: (music found on page 293)
Extol, O my soul, Christ the King, born in a cave.

Irmos: I see a strange and marvelous mystery: * heaven is a cave; * the cherubic throne a Virgin; * the manger has become the place * in which Christ, the incomprehensible God, lies down. * Let us praise him and extol him.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):

I shall take the chalice of salvation and call upon the name
On the Sunday from December 26 to 31

SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY
The Commemoration of the Holy and Righteous Joseph the Betrothed,
David the King, and James the Brother of God

First Antiphon (Psalm 110:1; 9:2):  *(music found on page 289)*
I shall thank you, O Lord, with all my heart; I shall declare all your wondrous deeds.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 111:1):  *(music found on page 289)*
Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful **STAND** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation:
*(music found on pages 18 - 21)*
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):  *(music found on page 295)*
Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):  *(music found on page 295)*
Come, let us worship and bow before Christ.
O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!
Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Troparion of the Nativity - Tone 4: (music found on page 290)
Your birth, O Christ our God, * has shed upon the world the light of knowledge; * for through it, those who worshiped the stars * have learned from a star to worship you, the Sun of Justice, * and to know you, the Dawn from on High. * Glory to you, O Lord!

Troparion - Tone 2:

Joy...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

Today the godly David is filled with joy; Joseph offers hymns of praise with James. Rejoicing, they take up the garland of relationship with Christ. They sing praise to him whose birth on earth
Prokeimenon - Prescribed Resurrection Tone
Then, immediately after the verse:
Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):

Verse: Lord, remember David and all his humility.
Verse: How he swore to the Lord and vowed to the God of Jacob.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”
Magnification: (music found on page 293)
Extol, O my soul, Christ the King, born in a cave.
Irmos: I see a strange and marvelous mystery: * heaven is a cave; * the cherubic throne a Virgin; * the manger has become the place * in which Christ, the incomprehensible God, lies down. * Let us praise him and extol him.
Communion Hymns:
For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1):

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia!

And for the Relatives of the Lord, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1):

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting.

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Nativity is December 31.

The Circumcision

January 1

THE CIRCUMCISION
OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
and
OUR HOLY FATHER BASIL THE GREAT,
ARCHBISHOP OF CAESAREA IN CAPPADOCIA

Troparion of the Circumcision - Tone 1:

O Jesus, although you are seated on a fiery throne with the eternal Father and your divine Spirit, you were pleased to be born of a virgin maiden, your Mother who has never known man. Therefore,
Troparion of Our Holy Father Basil - Tone 1:

Your voice resounds to the whole world which has received your word of instruction in divine dogmas. You explained the nature of creation and gave rules to order human conduct. O royal priest, O venerable father Basil, beg Christ our God to grant us his great mercy. Glory...

Kontakion of Our Holy Father Basil - Tone 4:

You have appeared as the unshakeable foundation of the Church,
Kontakion of the Circumcision - Tone 3:

The Lord of all endures circumcision and being good, he cuts away the sins of mortals. Today he grants salvation to the world, and the bishop Basil, the Creator’s morning star, rejoices; he has been initiated into the mysteries of Christ.

Prokeimenon of the Circumcision - Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance, and bless your inheritance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

Then, immediately after the verse:
Prokeimenon of Our Holy Father Basil - Tone 1 (Psalm 48:4):

My lips will speak words of wisdom; understanding will be the theme of my heart.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 79:2; 36:30):

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse: Shepherd of Israel, hear us; you who lead Joseph’s flock.
Verse: The mouth of the just will utter wisdom, and his tongue will pronounce judgment.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification: (music found on pages 98/102)
In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

Communion Hymns:

For the Circumcision, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1):

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!
And for a Hierarch, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 111:6,7):

Refrain

The just man will be remembered, remembered for ever;

evil news he will not fear, he will not fear. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

On the Sunday from January 2 to 5
SUNDAY BEFORE THE THEOPHANY

Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

On January 2 through 4:
Troparion of the Pre-feast - Tone 4:

Zebulun, make ready; Naphtali, prepare yourself. O River Jordan,

stand and leap for joy to receive the Master coming to be baptized.

O Adam, rejoice with the first mother, Eve, and do not hide yourselves as

once you did in Paradise. For, seeing you naked, Christ has appeared to

put on the first robe. He has appeared to re-new all creation.
Only on January 5:
Troparion of the Vigil - Tone 4:

Af-ter E-li-jah had been tak-en up, the Riv-er Jordan was parted in two
by E-li-sha's man-tle; and a dry path was opened in the wa-ters
as an im-age of true bap-tism by which we pass be-yond this fleet-ing life.

Christ appeared at the Jordan to sanc-ti-fy the wa-ters.

On January 2 through 4:
Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion of the Pre-feast - Tone 4:

To-day the Lord appears in the Jor-dan's streams and cries out to John:

Do not be afraid to bap-tize me, for I have come to save Ad-am, the first
cre-a-ted.
Only on January 5:
Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion of the Vigil - Tone 4:

Prokeimenon - Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 66:2):

Verse: Be gracious to us, O God, and bless us.
Verse: Let your face shine upon us, and have mercy on us.
First Antiphon (Psalm 113:3):

Why is it, O sea, that you fled; O Jordan, that you turned back?

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. (music found on page 15)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 114:1):

I love the Lord because he will hear my voice in supplication.

O Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful STAND as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: (music found on pages 18 - 21)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.
Third Antiphon - *Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 117:1)*:

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.

Troparion - *Tone 1*:

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, worship of the Trinity was revealed; for the Father's voice bore witness to you, calling you his beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truth of these words. O Christ God, you appeared and enlightened the world. Glory to you!

Entrance Hymn - *Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 117:26,27)*:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless you
Troparion - **Tone 1:** *(music on page 313)*

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, * worship of the Trinity was revealed; * for the Father’s voice bore witness to you, calling you his beloved Son, * and the Spirit in the form of a dove * confirmed the truth of these words. * O Christ God, you appeared and enlightened the world. Glory to you!

Glory…Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

Instead of “Holy God…” *(Galatians 3:27) – Not sung on the post-festive days: *(music found on pages 31 - 32)*

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Aleluia! *(Three times)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. Aleluia!

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 117:26,27,1):**

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God and has re-vealed him-self to us.
Verse: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 28:1-3):

Verse: Bring to the Lord, you sons of God; bring to the Lord glory and honor.
Verse: The voice of the Lord over the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord over many waters.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Irmos: Tone 2 Samopodoben

Ev'ry tongue is at a loss to fittingly acclaim you; and even a supernatural mind is overwhelmed when it glorifies you, O Theotokos.

But in your goodness accept our faith, since you recognize our godly love.

You are the intercessor for Christians, and we extol you.
The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Theophany is January 14.

On the Sunday from January 7 to 13
SUNDAY AFTER THE THEOPHANY

**First Antiphon** (Psalm 113:3): *(music found on page 312)*
Why is it, O sea, that you fled; O Jordan, that you turned back.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

**Second Antiphon** (Psalm 114:1): *(music found on page 312)*
I love the Lord because he will hear my voice in supplication.
O Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The faithful **STAND** as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: *(music found on pages 18 - 21)*
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

**Post-festive Third Antiphon** (Psalm 94:1):

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.
Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

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Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, * worship of the Trinity was revealed; * for the Father's voice bore witness to you, calling you his beloved Son, * and the Spirit in the form of a dove * confirmed the truth of these words. * O Christ God, you appeared and enlightened the world. Glory to you!
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Kontakion - Tone 4: (music found on page 314)

You have revealed yourself to the world today; * and your light, O Lord, has set its seal on us. * We recognize you and exclaim to you: * You have come and revealed yourself, O Unapproachable Light.
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Prokeimenon – Tone 1 (Psalm 32:22,1):

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      May your mer-cy, O Lord, be up-on us, may your mer-cy be up-on us
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who have placed our hope in you.
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**Verse:** Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting.
Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 88:2,3):

Verse: I shall sing forever of your mercies, O Lord;
through all generations my mouth will proclaim your truth.

Verse: For you have said: Mercy is built to last forever.
Your truth is firmly established in heaven.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification: (music found on page 315)
Extol, O my soul, Christ the King, baptized in the Jordan.

Irmos: Every tongue is at a loss * to fittingly acclaim you; * and even a supernatural mind is overwhelmed * when it glorifies you, O Theotokos. * But in your goodness accept our faith * since you recognize our godly love. * You are the intercessor for Christians, * and we extol you.

Communion Hymns:
For the Theophany, the Communion Hymn is (Titus 2:11): (music found on page 316)
The saving grace of God has appeared to all. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on page 305)
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Theophany is January 14.

January 30
THE THREE HOLY HIERARCHS:
Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom

Troparion - Tone 4:

Teach-ers of the world, of one mind with the a-pos-tles, in-ter-cede with the

Lord of all to grant peace to the world, and a-bun-dant mer-cy to our souls.

Glory…Now and ever…
Kontakion - Tone 2:

Lord, you have received your holy and inspired preachers, the foremost of teachers, into the enjoyment of your good gifts and repose. You preferred their labors and death above any sacrifice. For you alone glorify your saints.

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):

Through all the earth their voice resounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world.

Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 88:6,8):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy. 
Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1): (music found on page 283)
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
February 1
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE MEETING

**Troparion - Tone 1:**

The angelic choir of heaven looks earthward, peering down from the heavenly heights to behold the first-born of all creation carried into the Temple as an infant in the arms of his mother who has not known man. Together with us they are overwhelmed with awe and sing a hymn in preparation for the feast.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 6:**

The invisible Word of the Father has become visible in the flesh. He was born of the Virgin ineffably and was placed in the arms of the elderly priest. Let us all worship him, our true God.
February 2

THE MEETING
OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
WITH SIMEON AND ANNA

Entrance Hymn - Tone 1 Troparion (Psalm 97:2):

The Lord has made his salvation known; in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.

Troparion - Tone 1:

Rejoice, Theotokos, Virgin full of grace; for from you has shone forth the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, enlightening those who are in darkness. Rejoice also, you just elder; you received in your arms the liberator of our souls, who grants us resurrection.

Kontakion - Tone 1:

Christ our God, through your birth you sanctified the virgin's womb and blessed
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Luke: 2:29,32):

Verse: Now you may dismiss your servant, O Lord, in peace according to your word.
Verse: A light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Vir-gin The - o - to-kos, the hope of Chris-tians, pro-tek-t, watch
and save those who have placed their hope in you.

**Irmos:**

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

O faithful, let us recognize the figure of Christ fore-shadowed in the letter of the Law which says: Every male child who opens the womb is sanctified to God. Therefore, the first-born Word and Son of the Father without beginning, the first-born Son of a mother who had not known man: him, let us exalt.

Or the following:

**Irmos:**

Tone 3 Samopodoben

O faithful, let us recognize the figure of Christ fore-shadowed in the letter of the Law which says: Every male child who opens the womb is sanctified to God. Therefore.
The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Meeting is February 9.

March 24
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE ANNUNCIATION
The Pre-festive day of the Annunciation replaces All Souls Saturday or the Propers of John Climacus on the Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast or Mary of Egypt on the Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast.

Troparion - Tone 4:

To-day is the pre-lude of joy for all the world and hymns are sung in
March 25

THE ANNUNCIATION

OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

If the Annunciation falls on a Lenten weekday, the Divine Liturgy of Our Holy Father John Chrysostom is celebrated with Vespers on March 25, in the evening. When this occurs not all of the following texts are used. The stichera in the Samohlasen tones are only used when the Divine Liturgy is celebrated with Vespers.

First Sticheron – Tone 4 Samohlasen:

In the sixth month the Archangel was sent to a pure Virgin.
he greeted her: rejoice! he announced that the redeemer would come forth from her. she received his greeting with faith and conceived you, the god from before all ages, for it was your inexpressible good pleasure to become man for the salvation of our souls.

second sticheron – tone 4 samohlasen:

the theotokos heard a voice she did not know. the archangel spoke to her the words of good news. she received the greeting with faith and conceived you, the god from before all ages. therefore, we also rejoice and cry out to you, o unapproachable god who were incarnate of her:

grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.
Third Sticheron – Tone 4 Samohlasen:

Be - hold our res - to - ra - tion is now re - vealed. God beyond words is united with hu - man - i - ty. The er - ror is erased by the Arch-an-gel’s voice, for the vir - gin re - ceives the joy. What is earthly has be - come heav - en;

the world is freed from the an - cient curse. Let cre - a - tion rejoice and give voice to hymns: O Lord, our Creator and Re - deem - er, glo - ry to you!

Theotokion – Tone 6 Samohlasen:

The Arch-an-gel Ga - bri - el was sent from heav - en to the Vir - gin to an - nounce the good news of her con - cep - tion. Com - ing to Naz - a - reth he was a - mazed as he reflected on the mys - te - ry:
How can the One Who Is incomprehensible in the highest be born of a virgin? Heaven is his throne, the earth is his footstool, and in a woman’s womb he is contained. The six-winged seraphim and the many-eyed cherubim cannot look upon him; yet, with a single word, he has been pleased to take on flesh. He remains the Word of God. Why do I stand still and not say to the Maiden: Rejoice, Full of Grace, the Lord is with you; Rejoice, pure Virgin; rejoice, Unwedded Bride; rejoice, Mother of Life; blessed is the fruit of your womb?

Entrance Hymn - Tone 4 Troparion (Psalm 95:2):

Day after day announce the good news of our God's salvation.
Troparion - Tone 4:

Today is the summit of our salvation, and what was hidden from before all ages is revealed: the Son of God becomes a virgin's son, and Gabriel announces the good news of grace. Therefore, let us exclaim with him to the Theotokos: Rejoice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 8:

O Theotokos, valiant defender, your servants offer you hymns of victory in thanks-giving, for you have delivered us. But since you have invincible power, free us from all peril, that we may exclaim to you: Rejoice, O Unwedded Bride.
**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 95:2,1):**

Day after day announce the good news of our God's salvation.

**Verse:** Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 71:6,17):**

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**Verse:** He will descend like rain on the meadows, like raindrops on the earth.

**Verse:** May his name be blessed forever, more enduring than the sun.

**Instead of “It is truly proper…”**

**Magnification:**

O earth, announce the good news, the good news of great joy. You heavens, sing the glory, the glory of God.

**Irmos:**

*Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting*

Let no uninitiated hand touch the living Ark of God; but let faithful lips, singing without ceasing the words of
Irmos:

Tone 4 Samopodoben

Let no uninitiated hand touch the living Ark of God; but let faithful lips, singing without ceasing the words of the angel to the Theotokos, cry aloud in great joy: Rejoice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 131:13):

The Lord has chosen Zion; he prefers her for his dwelling.
The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Annunciation is March 26.

April 23

THE HOLY AND VICTORIOUS GREAT MARTYR
GEORGE THE WONDER-WORKER

Troparion - Tone 4:

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

You fought the good fight with faith, O George, martyr of Christ. You convicted the tyrants of their wickedness. You offered yourself as an acceptable sacrifice to God. Therefore, you received a crown of victory, and through your pray'rs, O holy one, you obtain forgiveness of sins for all.

Alternate Troparion - Tone 4:

O victorious Great Martyr George, protector of the poor, liberator of prisoners, physician of the sick, and champion of kings,
Kontakion - Tone 4:

Cultivated by God, you became an excellent gardener of religion, harvesting sheaves of virtues for yourself. You sowed in tears but reaped in joy.

You fought to the shedding of your blood, and through your prayers, O holy one, you obtain forgiveness of sins for all.

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):

The just man will rejoice in the Lord, rejoice in the Lord, and will put, his trust in him.

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.
Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:13,14):

Verse: The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.

Verse: Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just man will be remembered forever; evil news he will not fear, evil news he will not fear. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Troparion - Tone 4:

Prophet and fore-runner of the coming of Christ, although we honor you with love, we cannot give you worthy praise. Through your glorious and holy birth, your mother was freed from barrenness and your father from the loss of speech,
and the incarnation of the Son of God is proclaimed to the world.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

To-day she who once was barren gives birth to Christ's fore-runner. He Himself is the fulfillment of all prophecy; for in the Jordan, he imposed his hand upon the Word of God whom the prophets had foretold and was shown to be his prophet, herald, and fore-runner.

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):

The just man will rejoice in the Lord, rejoice in the Lord, and will put, his trust in him.

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.
Alleluia - Tone 1 (Luke 1:68,76):

Verse: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
for he has visited and brought redemption to his people.

Verse: And you, O child, will be called prophet of the Most High.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Irmos:

The ineffable mystery of the Word of God is clearly revealed, most pure

Vir-gin. God has taken a body from you in his com-pas-sion. Therefore, we

ex-tol you as the The-o-to-kos.
Irmos:

Tone 4 Samopodoben

The ineffable mystery of the Word of God is clearly revealed, most pure Virgin. God has taken a body from you in his compassion. Therefore, we exalt you as the Theotokeos.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just man will be remembered forever; evil news he will not fear, evil news he will not fear.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Nativity of the Forerunner is June 25.
June 29

THE HOLY PRE-EMINENT APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL

Troparion - Tone 4:

Leaders of the apostles, teachers of the world, intercede with the Lord of All to grant peace to the world and abundant mercy to our souls. Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 2:

Lord, you have received your steadfast and inspired preachers, the foremost of your apostles, into the enjoyment of your good gifts and repose. You preferred their sufferings and death above any sacrifice. For you alone know the secrets of the heart.

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):

Through all the earth their voice resounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world.
Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:6,8):

Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.
Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Irmos:

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

for you have given birth to the Creator of all things visible and
Or the following:

**Irmos:**

We ex - tol you with hymns, O most glo-rious bride and all - ho-ly

The - o - to - kos, for you have giv - en birth to

the Cre-a-tor of all things vis-i-ble and in-vis-i-ble.

**Communion Hymn (Psalm 18:5):**

Through all the earth their voice re-sounds; their mes-sage reach-es

Refrain
to the ends of the world. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
On the Sunday from July 13 to 19
SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS AT THE SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

Troparion - Prescribed Resurrection Tone

Troparion - Tone 8:

O Christ our God, you are above all praise. You have established our fathers as beacons on the earth, leading us all to the true faith through them. O most merciful Lord, glory to you!

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 8:

The preaching of the apostles and the teachings of the Fathers have confirmed the one faith of the Church, which she wears as the garment of truth, woven from the theology on high, as she faithfully imparts and glorifies the great mystery of devotion.
**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Daniel 3:26,27):**

Bless-ed are you and praise-wor-thy, O Lord, the God of our Fa-thers,

and glo-ri-ous for-ev-er is your name.

**Verse:** For you are just in all that you have done for us.

**Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 49:1,5):**

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

**Verse:** The God of gods, the Lord, has spoken and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Verse:** Gather before him his righteous ones who have made a covenant with him by sacrifice.

**Communion Hymns:**

*For Sunday, the usual Communion Hymn is (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78 - 81)*

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*For the Council Fathers, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1): (music found on page 201)*

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
July 20
THE HOLY AND GLORIOUS PROPHET ELIJAH

Troparion - Tone 4:

An angel in the flesh, the foundation of the prophets, and the second fore-runner of Christ, the glorious Elijah from on high sent grace to Elisha to cure sicknesses and cleanse lepers. He likewise overflows with healing for those who honor him.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 2:

Prophet and seer of the mighty deeds of our God, renowned Elijah, you stopped the rain-clouds by a word. Intercede for us with the only one who loves us all
Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 109:4,1):

Verse: The Lord said to my Lord: Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 98:6):

Verse: Moses and Aaron were among his priests; Samuel was among those who called upon his name.
Verse: They called upon the Lord and he answered them.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

Refrain: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
August 5
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

**Troparion - Tone 4:**

Let us go forth to welcome the Trans-*"fig-"ura-*tion of Christ; let the faithful joyfully anti-*ci-*pate the feast and ex-*cla-*im: The day of divine glad-*"ness has ar-*""ved; the Lord as-*"cends Mount Ta-*"b*or and the beau-*"ty of his di-*"vin-*"ity flash-*"*"es like light-*"*"ing.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

To-*"day all mortal nature radi-*""tes di-*"v*""ity at the di-*"v*""ine Trans-*""fig-*""ura-*""tion and cries out with glad-*"*"ness:

Christ is trans-*"fig-*""ured, sav-*"*"ing all.
August 6
THE TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

First Antiphon (Psalm 65:1-2): (music found on page 14)
Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; sing praise to his name, give to him glorious praise. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Second Antiphon (Psalm 47:3):
Mount Zion, slopes of the north, is the city of the great King.
O Son of God, transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to you:
Alleluia!

The faithful STAND as the Second Antiphon concludes with the Hymn of the Incarnation: (music found on pages 18 - 21)
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Third Antiphon - Tone 7 Troparion (Psalm 124:1):
Those who put their trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, that cannot
Troparion - Tone 7:

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, revealing as much of your glory to your disciples as they could behold. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, let your everlasting light also shine upon us sinners.

O Giver of Light, glory to you!

Entrance Hymn - Tone 7 Troparion (Psalm 42:3):

Send forth your truth and your fidelity; they will guide me and bring me to your holy mountain.

Troparion - Tone 7: (music found above)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, * revealing as much of your glory to your disciples as they could behold. * Through the prayers of the Theotokos, * let your everlasting light also shine upon us sinners. * O Giver of Light, glory to you.
Glory…Now and ever…

**Kontakion - Tone 7:**

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, and your disciples beheld as much of your glory as they could bear, that when they would see you crucified they would understand that you suffered willingly, so they would preach to the world that you are truly the radiance of the Father.

**Prokeimenon – Tone 4 (Psalm 103:24,1):**

How many are your works, O Lord. In wisdom you have made them all.

**Verse:** Bless the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.

**Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 88:12,16):**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Verse:** Yours are the heavens and yours is the earth.

**Verse:** Happy are the people who can shout with joy.
Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

Irmos: Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

Or the following:

Irmos: Tone 4 Samopodoben

Therefore, O The - o - to - kos, we all ex - tol you.
The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Transfiguration is August 13.

August 7 to 13
POST-FESTIVE DAYS OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
Everything as on Transfiguration except:

Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1):

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

O Son of God, transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to you:

Al-le-lu-ia!
Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6):

Come, let us worship and bow before Christ. O Son of God, transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Transfiguration is August 13.

August 14
PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF THE DORMITION

Troparion - Tone 4:

O peoples, clap your hands in anticipation and dance with faith and joy.

Gather together today in eagerness and jubilation, and let us all exult with godly glee, for the Theotokos, whom we always glorify in hymns, is about to be taken up in glory from earth to heaven.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

Celebrating your glorious mem'ry today, the world mystically
August 15

THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

Troparion - Tone 1:

O The-o-to-kos, in giving birth you preserved virgin-i-ty; and in your falling a-sleep you did not for-sake the world. You are the Moth-er of Life and have been trans-ferred to life, and through your pray'rs you de-liv-er our souls from death.

Kontakion - Tone 2:

The grave and death did not de-tain the The-o-to-kos. She in-ter-cedes...
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 131:8,11):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: Go up, Lord, to your rest, you and your holy ark.
Verse: The Lord swore a true oath to David; he will not go back on his word.

Instead of “It is truly proper…”

Magnification:

The angels were struck with amazement beholding the dormition
Irmos: Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

of the Most Pure; seeing how the Virgin was taken up from earth to heaven.

Irmos: Tone 1 Samopodoben

The limits of nature are overcome in you, O pure Virgin,

for birth-giving remains virginal, and death is the prelude to life:

a virgin after childbearing and alive after death! You ever save your inheritance, O Theotokos.

Or the following:

Irmos: Tone 1 Samopodoben

The limits of nature are overcome in you, O pure Virgin, for birth-giving remains virginal, and death
Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):

I shall take the chalice of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Dormition is August 23.

August 29
THE COMMEMORATION OF THE BEHEADING OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER, AND BAPTIST JOHN

Troparion - Tone 2:

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with praise, but for you, O Forerunner, the Lord's testimony is enough. You were shown to be more
honorable than the prophets since you were deemed worthy to baptize in
the waters the Lord you had proclaimed. Therefore, you fought for the truth,
and with joy proclaimed the good news to those in Hades, that God
has appeared in the flesh to take away the sins of the world and to
grant us great mercy.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 5:

The glorious beheading of the Forerunner was part of God's saving plan
that the coming of the Savior might be announced even to those in Hades.

Let Herodias mourn for she sought a lawless murder
because she loved neither the Law of God nor eternal life,
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:13,14):

Verse: The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.
Verse: Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

Refrain: e- vil news he will not fear, e- vil news he will not fear. Al - le - lu - ia!
Commons for Classes of Saints

THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS

**Troparion - Tone 4:**

Let us humble sinners now flee with fervor to the Theotokos.

Let us prostrate in repentance and cry out from the depths of our souls:

O Lady, help us and have mercy on us. Hurry to assist us for we are perishing because of our many sins. Do not turn away empty-handed. For you alone we have as our protector.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 6:**

We have no other help and no other hope but you, most pure Virgin.

You are our help; in you we hope and we praise you. We are your servants; do not let us be put to shame.
Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant; from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13):

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.
Verse: The rich among the people will seek your favor.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):
THE PRECIOUS, HOLY, AND LIFE-CREATING CROSS

Troparion - Tone 1:

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

Christ our God, who were willingly raised upon the cross, grant your mercies to the new people who bear your name. By your power grant joy to the Church.

Give her victory over evil with your invincible trophy, the weapon of peace, as an ally.

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 98:5,1):

Exalt the Lord, the Lord our God and worship at his footstool; for he is holy, for he is holy.
Verse: The Lord is King; let the peoples rage.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 73:2,12):

Verse: Remember your flock which you acquired long ago.
Verse: God is our King from all ages; he has accomplished salvation in the middle of the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 4:7):

THE HOLY ANGELS

Troparion - Tone 4:
Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.
Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 148:2,5):

Verse: Praise the Lord, all his angels; praise him all his hosts.
Verse: He spoke and they were made; he commanded and they were created.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 103:4):

You make your angels, make your angels spirits and your ministers a flaming fire, and your ministers a flaming fire.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER, AND BAPTIST JOHN

Troparion - Tone 2:

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with praise, but for you, O Forerunner, the Lord's testimony is enough. You were shown
Kontakion - Tone 3:

To-day she who once was barren gives birth to Christ's fore-runner. He himself is the fulfill-ment of all proph-e-cy; for in the Jordan, he im-posed his hand up-on the Word of God whom the proph-ets had fore-told and was shown to be his proph-et, her-ald, and fore-run-ner.

Glory...Now and ever...
Prokeimenon - *Tone 7* (Psalm 63:11,2):

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

Alleluia - *Tone 4* (Psalm 91:13,14):

Verse: The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.
Verse: Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

Refrain
**Troparion - Tone 2:**

As we celebrate the memory of your prophet Isaiah, O Lord,
Jeremiah,
Daniel,
Ezekiel,
Hosea,
Joel,
Amos,
Obadiah,
Jonah,
Nahum,
Habakkuk,
Zephaniah,
Haggai,
Zechariah,
Malachi,

we implore you to save our souls through his prayers.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

Your pure heart was enlightened by the Spirit and became a vessel of radiant prophecy. Because you saw as present the events yet to come...
Prokeimenon - *Tone 4* (Psalm 109:4,1):

Verse: The Lord said to my Lord: Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool.

Alleluia - *Tone 5* (Psalm 98:6; 96:11):

Verse: Moses and Aaron were among his priests; Samuel was among those who called upon his name.

Verse: Light dawns for the just, and gladness for the upright of heart.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just man will be remembered forever; evil news he will not fear. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

ONE HOLY APOSTLE

Troparion - Tone 3:

O holy Apostle (Name), intercede with the merciful God that he may grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 4:

O Apostle (Name), the Church has gained you for all time as a brilliant star, enlightening it with the multitude of your miracles. Therefore, we cry
Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:6,8):

Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.

Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 18:5):

Through all the earth their voice resounds;
their message reaches to the ends of the world.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

TWO OR MORE HOLY APOSTLES

Troparion - Tone 3:

O holy apostles, intercede with the merciful God
that he may grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion - Tone 4:

Wise apostles of the Lord, you became branches of the vine of Christ,
bearing clusters of virtues and pouring out the wine of salvation for us.
Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):

Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:6,8):

Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.

Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 18:5):

Through all the earth their voice resonounds;
their message reaches to the ends of the world, ends of the world.
Refrain
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

ONE HOLY HIERARCH

Troparion - Tone 4:

Your life has shown you to your flock as a rule of faith, an image of gentleness, and a teacher of moderation. You acquired greatness through humility and wealth through poverty. O father and bishop (Name), intercede with Christ our God to save our souls. Glory... Now and ever...
Prokeimenon - Tone 1 (Psalm 48:4,2):

Verse: Hear this, all you peoples; give heed, all who dwell in the world.

Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 36:30,31):

Verse: The mouth of the just will utter wisdom, and his tongue will pronounce judgment.
Verse: The law of his God is in his heart; his steps shall be saved from stumbling.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just man will be remembered forever;
evil news he will not fear; evil news he will not fear.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TWO OR MORE HOLY HIERARCHS

Troparion - Tone 4:

God of our fathers, you always deal with us in your kindness. Take not your mercy away from us; but through their pray'rs guide our life in peace.

Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion - Tone 8:

The Church glorifies you in song as teachers of virtue and the splendor of hierarchs. By your pray'rs, grant growth in virtue and deliverance from the snares of evil for you are invincible.
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 115:6,3):

Verse: What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 131:9,13):

Verse: Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice.
Verse: The Lord has chosen Zion; he prefers her for his dwelling.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):
ONE VENERABLE OR FOOL FOR CHRIST

Troparion - Tone 8:

Glory...Now and ever...
In you, O father, the divine image was strictly preserved; taking up your cross, you followed Christ. You taught us by example how to spurn the flesh, for it passes away, and how to care for the soul, which is immortal. Therefore, O venerable (Name), your soul rejoices with the angels.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 2:

You armed yourself in a godly way with purity of soul, and you wielded unceasing prayer as a mighty spear, piercing the armies of demons.

Our father (Name), pray without ceasing for all of us.
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 115:6,3):

Verse: What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 111:1,2):

Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
Verse: His posterity will be mighty upon the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

Refrain
TWO OR MORE VENERABLES OR FOOLS FOR CHRIST

Troparion - Tone 4:

God of our fathers, you always deal with us in your kindness. Take not your mercy away from us; but through their pray'rs guide our life in peace. Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 2:

Passing through the stormy waves, you remained dry. You drowned the bodiless enemies in the mighty streams of your tears. O venerable fathers, filled with God’s wisdom, you have received the gift of miracles. Pray without ceasing for all of us.

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 115:6,3):

Precious in the eyes, in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful, is the death of his faithful.
Verse: What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 111:1,2):

Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
Verse: His posterity will be mighty upon the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

ONE MARTYR

Troparion - Tone 4
and broke the cowardly valor of demons. Through his prayers, O Christ our God, save our souls.

Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

Glory…Now and ever…

Kontakion - Tone 2:

O victorious martyr (Name), you arose as a bright star not misleading the world but announcing Christ the Sun by your rays. You have extinguished all error. Give us light as you pray without ceasing for all of us.

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):

The just man will rejoice in the Lord, rejoice in the Lord, and will put, his trust in him.

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.
Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:13,14):

Verse: The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.
Verse: Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

TWO OR MORE MARTYRS

Troparion - Tone 1:

Glory…Now and ever…
Kontakion - Tone 2:

Verse: I set the Lord ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 33:18,20):

Verse: The just cried out and the Lord heard them, and rescued them from all their distress.
Verse: Many are the trials of the just, but from them all the Lord will rescue them.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

Re-joice in the Lord, you righ-teous ones; praise from the up-right, the up-right is fit-ting. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

ONE PRIEST-MARTYR

Troparion - Tone 4:

You shared in the a-pos-tles’ way of life and suc-ceed-ed to their throne, di- vine-ly in-spired bish-op. You found ac-cess to com-templa-tion in the act-ive life. There-fore, you right-ly taught the word of truth and strug-gled for the faith to the shed-ding of your blood. O priest-mar-tyr (Name), pray to Christ our God to save our souls.

Glory…Now and ever…
**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

You lived pi-ously as a bish-op, and fol-lowed the path to mar-tyr-dom.

Filled with divine wisdom, you put out the fire of sacri-fice to id-ols.

You were a de-fend - er of your flock. There-fore, to hon-or you we mys-tic-ly sing:

Our father (Name), by your prayers, deliver us al-ways from trib - u-la - tion.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 149:5,1):**

Let the faith - ful re - joice in glo - ry, re - joice

in glo - ry, shout for joy, and take their rest.

**Verse:** Sing to the Lord a new song of praise in the assembly of the faithful.

**Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 131:9,13):**

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!
Verse: Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice.
Verse: The Lord has chosen Zion; he prefers her for his dwelling.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

The just man will be remembered forever;
Evil news he will not fear; evil news he will not fear.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TWO OR MORE PRIEST-MARTYRS

Troparion - Tone 4:

God of our fathers, you always deal with us in your kindness. Take not your mercy away from us; but through their pray'rs guide our life in peace.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 3:

Today we gather to praise in hymns the never-set-ting lights of the Sun of Reason shining upon those in the dark-ness of ignor-ance;
Verse: What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

Alleluia - Tone 2 (Psalm 131:9,13):

Verse: Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice.

Verse: The Lord has chosen Zion; he prefers her for his dwelling.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

Re-joice in the Lord, you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right,

the up-right is fit-ting. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!

ONE VENERABLE MARTYR

Troparion - Tone 8:

In you, O fa-ther, the di-vine im-age was strict-ly pre-served;
tak-ing up your cross, you fol-lowed Christ. You taught us
by ex-ample how to spurn the flesh, for it pass-es a-way, and how to
care for the soul, which is im-mor-tal. There-fore, O ven-er-a-ble

(Name), your soul re-joic-es with the an-gels.

Glory…Now and ever…
Kontakion - Tone 2:

As a venerable and proven ascetic, as an honorable and renowned martyr, a model of the desert life,

O ever-exalted (Name), we sing worthy hymns of praise to you.

For you have trampled serpents.

Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 149:5,1):

Let the faithful rejoice, rejoice in glory, shout for joy and take their rest.

Verse: Sing to the Lord a new song of praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 111:1,2):

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia!
Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
Verse: His posterity will be mighty upon the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones;
praise from the upright, the upright is fitting.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TWO OR MORE VENERABLE MARTYRS

Troparion - Tone 4:
God of our fathers, you always deal with us in your kindness. Take not
your mercy away from us; but through their pray'rs guide our life in peace.
Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion - Tone 2:
Passing through the stormy waves, you remained dry. You drowned the
bodiless enemies in the mighty streams of your tears. O venerable
Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 149:5,1):

Verse: Sing to the Lord a new song of praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 111:1,2):

Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.

Verse: His posterity will be mighty upon the earth.
Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

Re-joice in the Lord, re-joice in the Lord, you right-eous ones.

praise from the up- right, the up-right is fit- ting, is fit- ting.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

ONE WOMAN-MARTYR

Troparion - Tone 4:

Your lamb (Name), O Jesus, cries out in a loud voice: I love you, my Bridegroom; I seek you with pain-ful long- ing; I am cru- cified with you; in your baptism, I am bur- ied with you; I suf- fer for you that I may reign with you; and I die for you that I may live with you. Re-ceive me as a spotless sacrifice immo-lat-ed with love for you. By her pray'rs, O mer-ci-ful
Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

All the faithful find spiritual healing in your holy temple.

O renowned virgin-martyr (Name), with a loud voice we sing to you:

Pray without ceasing to Christ our God for all of us.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):**

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Israel, the God of Israel.

**Verse:** In the churches bless God; from Israel’s wellsprings bless the Lord.

**Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 39:2,3):**

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!
Verse: I have waited, waited for the Lord, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.
Verse: He drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the filthy clay.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

VENERABLE WOMAN-MARTYR

Troparion - Tone 4:

Your lamb (Name), O Jesus, cries out in a loud voice: I love you, in your baptism, I am buried with you; I suffer for you that I may reign with you; and I die for you that I may live with you. Receive me as a spotless sacrifice immolated with love for you. By her pray'rs, O merciful One, save our souls.
Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 4:**

Your godly memory, O (Name), has risen upon the world like the sun and tells of your life; for by self-denial you destroyed the passions of the flesh, and by the blood of martyrdom you wedded yourself to Christ. Therefore, deliver from every evil those who praise you that we may cry out to you: Rejoice, O venerable mother.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):**

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Israel, the God of Israel.

**Verse:** In the churches bless God; from Israel’s wellsprings bless the Lord.
Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 39:2,3):

Verse: I have waited, waited for the Lord, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.
Verse: He drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the filthy clay.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

Troparion - Tone 1:

You finished the race and kept the faith. By martyrdom you were led to Christ the Lamb and Shepherd, O rational lambs.
Kontakion - Tone 4:

Therefore, today, with a joyful heart, O most wonderful women, extolling Christ, we celebrate your holy memory.

Glory...Now and ever...

Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Israel, the God of Israel.

Verse: In the churches bless God; from Israel’s wellsprings bless the Lord.
Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 39:2,3):

Verse:
I have waited, waited for the Lord, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.

Verse:
He drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the filthy clay.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

Refrain

ONE VENERABLE WOMAN

Troparion - Tone 8:
Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

In your love for the Lord you disdained the desire for rest, O venerable woman.

You enlightened your soul by fasting and with power you conquered beasts;

but by your pray'r's destroy the pride of our enemies.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):**

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Israel, 

the God of Israel.

**Verse:** In the churches bless God; from Israel’s wellsprings bless the Lord.

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Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 39:2,3):

Verse: I have waited, waited for the Lord, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.
Verse: He drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the filthy clay.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

Refrain

Troparion - Tone 2:

With sincere desire you wedded yourselves to Christ and rejected worldly marriage, O glorious women. You matured in the struggle for virtues
and rose to the summit of incorruption. Beautiful in soul and
richly blessed, you were the standard and pillars of monastic wom
Therefore, pray without ceasing for us who celebrate your mem'ry with love.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

You disciplined your bodies by fasting and, with unceasing pray'rs,
implied the Giver of Life that you might receive perfect forgive
ness for your sins. Having received divine pardon and the kingdom of heav

now pray to Christ our God for all of us.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):**

God is wondrous in his saints, the God of Is
the God of Is...
Verse: In the churches bless God; from Israel’s wellsprings bless the Lord.

**Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 39:2,3):**

![Musical notation]

Verse: I have waited, waited for the Lord, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. 
Verse: He drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the filthy clay.

**Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):**

![Musical notation]

**Troparion - Tone 8:**

Guide to Orthodoxy, teacher of piety and holiness,

luminar y for the world, inspired
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 149:5,1):

Let the faithful rejoice in glory, rejoice

in glory, shout for joy, and take their rest.

Verse: Sing to the Lord a new song of praise in the assembly of the faithful.

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Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 111:1,2):

Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.
Verse: His posterity will be mighty upon the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

Troparion - Tone 8:

UNMERCENARY HEALERS
Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

O glorious physicians and wonder-workers who have received the grace of healing, you grant health to the afflicted. By your care, defeat our shameless enemies and give miraculous healing to the world.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 15:3,8):**

To all the saints in his land, the Lord has shown all the wonders of his will.

**Verse:** I set the Lord ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.
Alleluia - *Tone 2* (Psalm 132:1,3):

Verse: Behold, how good and how pleasant when brothers dwell in unity.

Verse: For there the Lord has commanded the blessing: life forever.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):
Commons for the Days of the Week

MONDAY
Dedicated to the Holy Angels

Troparion - Tone 4: (music found on page 265)
Leaders of the heavenly armies, * although we are unworthy, we always beseech you * to fortify us by your prayers * and to shelter us beneath the wings of your sublime glory. * Watch over us who bow to you and cry out fervently: * Deliver us from danger, * for you are the commanders of the powers on high.

Glory…

Kontakion - Tone 2: (music found on page 265)
Leaders of God’s armies and ministers of divine glory, * commanders of angels and guides of mortals, * plead on our behalf for what we need and for great mercy; * since you are the leaders of the heavenly hosts.

Now and ever…

Theotokion - Tone 6 Kontakion:
In churches dedicated to Christ or to the Theotokos, sing the Kontakion of the Patronal Feast. In all other churches, sing the following:

Stead-fast Pro-tec-tress of Chris-tians, un-shak-able Mediatrix before the Cre-a-tor, do not de-spise the prayerful voic-es of sin-ners;
but in your good-ness hurry to assist those who faith-ful-ly cry out to you.
Has-ten to in-tercede and heed our sup-pli-ca-tion,
in-ter-ced-ing always, Theotokos, in behalf of those who hon-or you.
Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 103:4,1): (music found on page 266)
You make your angels spirits and your ministers a flaming fire.
Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.

Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 148:2,5): (music found on page 266)
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Verse: Praise the Lord, all his angels; praise him all his hosts.
Verse: He spoke and they were made; he commanded and they were created.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 103:4):

Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 103:4,1): (music found on page 266)
You make your angels spirits and your ministers a flaming fire.
Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.

Alleluia - Tone 5 (Psalm 148:2,5): (music found on page 266)
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Verse: Praise the Lord, all his angels; praise him all his hosts.
Verse: He spoke and they were made; he commanded and they were created.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 103:4):

You make your angels spirits and your ministers a flaming fire.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TUESDAY
Dedicated to the Holy Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John

Troparion - Tone 2: (music found on page 363)
The memory of the righteous is celebrated with praise, * but for you, O Forerunner, the Lord’s testimony is enough. * You were shown to be more honorable than the prophets * since you were deemed worthy to baptize in the waters the Lord you had proclaimed. * Therefore, you fought for the truth, * and with joy proclaimed the good news to those in Hades, * that God has appeared in the flesh * to take away the sins of the world and to grant us great mercy.

Glory…

Kontakion - Tone 3: (music found on page 364)
Today she who once was barren gives birth to Christ’s forerunner. * He himself is the fulfillment of all prophecy; * for in the Jordan, he imposed his hand * upon the Word of God whom the prophets had foretold * and was shown to be his prophet, herald, and forerunner.
Now and ever…

**Theotokion - Tone 6 Kontakion:**

*In churches dedicated to Christ or to the Theotokos, sing the Kontakion of the Patronal Feast. In all other churches, sing the following:* (music found on page 406)

Steadfast Protectress of Christians, * unshakable Mediatrix before the Creator, * do not despise the prayerful voices of sinners; * but in your goodness hurry to assist those who faithfully cry out to you. * Hasten to intercede and heed our supplication, * interceding always, Theotokos, in behalf of those who honor you.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):** (music found on page 365)

The just man will rejoice in the Lord and will put his trust in him.

**Verse:** Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

**Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:13,14):** (music found on page 365)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Verse:** The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.

**Verse:** Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

**Communion Hymn** (Psalm 111:6,7): (music found on page 365)

The just man will be remembered forever; evil news he will not fear. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**WEDNESDAY**

Dedicated to the Precious, Holy, and Life-Creating Cross
and to the Most Holy Theotokos

**Troparion of the Cross - Tone 1:** (music found on page 360)

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. * Grant victory to your Church over evil, * and protect your people by your cross.

Glory…Now and ever…

**Kontakion of the Cross - Tone 4:** (music found on page 360)

Christ our God, who were willingly raised upon the cross, * grant your mercies to the new people who bear your name. * By your power grant joy to the Church. * Give her victory over evil * with your invincible trophy, the weapon of peace, * as an ally.

**Prokeimenon of the Theotokos - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):** (music found on page 359)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

**Verse:** For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant;

from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.
Alleluia of the Theotokos - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13): (music found on page 359)
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.
Verse: The rich among the people will seek your favor.

Communion Hymn of the Theotokos (Psalm 115:4): (music found on page 359)
I shall take the chalice of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THURSDAY
Dedicated to the Holy Apostles
and to Our Holy Father Nicholas of Myra

Troparion of the Apostles - Tone 3: (music found on page 370)
O holy apostles, intercede with the merciful God * that he may grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

Troparion of Nicholas - Tone 4: (music found on page 274)
Your life has shown you to your flock as a rule of faith, * an image of gentleness, and a teacher of moderation. * You acquired greatness through humility * and wealth through poverty. * O father and archbishop Nicholas, * intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

Kontakion of the Apostles - Tone 2: (music found on page 338)
Lord, you have received your steadfast and inspired preachers, * the foremost of your apostles, * into the enjoyment of your good gifts and repose. * You preferred their sufferings and death above any sacrifice. * For you alone know the secrets of the heart.

Glory…

Kontakion of Nicholas - Tone 3: (music found on page 274)
You were renowned as a priest in Myra, O holy Nicholas; * for you fulfilled the Gospel of Christ, O venerable father. * You risked your life for your people and saved the innocent from death. * Thereby you have been initiated into the mysteries of the grace of God.

Now and ever…

Theotokion - Tone 6 Kontakion: (music found on page 406)
In churches dedicated to Christ or to the Theotokos, sing the Kontakion of the Patronal Feast. In all other churches, sing the following:
Steadfast Protectress of Christians, * unshakable Mediatrix before the Creator, * do not despise the prayerful voices of sinners; * but in your goodness hurry to assist those who faithfully cry out to you. * Hasten to intercede and heed our supplication, * interceding always, Theotokos, in behalf of those who honor you.
Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2): (music found on page 369)
Through all the earth their voice resounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world.
Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:6,8): (music found on page 369)
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.
Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 18:5):

Through all the earth their voice resounds; their message reaches to the ends of the world! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

FRIDAY
Dedicated to the Precious, Holy, and Life-Creating Cross

Troparion of the Cross - Tone 1: (music found on page 360)
Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. * Grant victory to your Church over evil, * and protect your people by your cross.

Glory...Now and ever...

Kontakion of the Cross - Tone 4: (music found on page 360)
Christ our God, who were willingly raised upon the cross, * grant your mercies to the new people who bear your name. * By your power grant joy to the Church. * Give her victory over evil * with your invincible trophy, the weapon of peace, * as an ally.

Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 98:5,1): (music found on page 360)
Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool; for he is holy.
Verse: The Lord is King; let the peoples rage.
Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 73:2,12): (music found on page 361)
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Verse: Remember your flock which you acquired long ago.
Verse: God is our King from all ages; he has accomplished salvation in the middle of the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 4:7):

SATURDAY
Dedicated to All Saints and to the Faithful Departed

Troparion of the Saints - Tone 2:
**Troparion for the Departed - Tone 2:**

O Lord, in your goodness, remember your servants and forgive whatever sins they committed in their life; for no one is sinless but you alone. You have the power to grant rest to the departed.

Glory...

**Kontakion for the Departed - Tone 8:**

With the saints, O Christ, give rest to your servants, where there is no pain, sorrow, nor mourning, but life everlasting.

Now and ever...

**Kontakion of the Saints - Tone 8: (music found on page 212)**

To you, O Lord, Gardener of all Creation, * the world offers the God-bearing martyrs as the first fruits of nature. * Through their prayers and through the Theotokos, * preserve your Church, your dwelling-place, * in perfect peace, * O most merciful One.

**Prokeimenon of the Saints - Tone 8 (Psalm 31:11,1):**

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous ones,

and rejoice, you righteous ones.
Verse: Blessed are they whose trespasses are forgiven and whose sins are remitted.

Then immediately after the verse:

Prokeimenon for the Departed - Tone 6 (Psalm 24:13):

Their souls will dwell, their souls will dwell among the good.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 33:18,20; 64:5; Sirach 39:9):

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Verse: The just cried out and the Lord heard them, and rescued them from all their distress.

Verse: Many are the trials of the just, but from them all the Lord will rescue them.

Verse: Blessed are they whom you have chosen and received, O Lord; they are remembered from generation to generation.

Communion Hymns:

For the Saints, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 32:1): (music found on page 213)
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And for the Departed, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 64:5; Sirach 39:9):

Blessed are they whom you have chosen and received, O Lord;
they are remembered from generation to generation.

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
Special Intentions

FOR GENERAL INTENTIONS
Of the Living

Troparion - Tone 6 (adapt.):

Glory…(music found on page 444)

Kontakion - Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):

Lord, have mercy on us, for in you we place our hope. Be not exceedingly angry with us, nor mindful of our transgressions, but look upon us even now with mercy, and deliver us from our enemies. For you are our God and we are your people: we all are the work of your hands, and we call upon your name.
Theotokion - Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):

Verse:

Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

Alleluia - Tone 1 (Psalm 24:22; 31:6):

Verse: Redeem Israel, O God, from all its distress.
Verse: So let the righteous pray to you in time of need.
Special Petitions in the Litany of Fervent Supplication:

Deacon: Again we pray you, O Lord our God, hear our supplication and, through your grace, have mercy on your servant[s] *(Name/s).* Grant all *(his-her-their)* petitions and pardon all *(his-her-their)* voluntary and involuntary sins. Accept *(his-her-their)* supplications and charitable deeds before the throne of your majesty. Safeguard *(him-her-them)* from every visible and invisible enemy, from every misfortune, distress, and affliction. Spare *(him-her-them)* from illness and grant *(him-her-them)* health and long life. Let us all say: O Lord, hear and have mercy.

Response:

Deacon: Loving Lord, look down with merciful eyes upon your servant[s] *(Name/s)* and hear the supplication that we have offered up with faith. For you yourself have said: Believe that you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer and it will be yours. You also said: Ask and you will receive. Because of this, unworthy as we are, we trust in your mercy and ask that you be merciful to your servant[s] *(Name/s)*, and fulfill *(his-her-their)* good desires. Keep *(him-her-them)* in peace, tranquility, and health, and grant *(him-her-them)* long life. Let us all say: O Lord, hear and graciously have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. *(Three times, using the above response)*

Communion Hymn (Psalm 26:7):
Intonation for the Living:

Celebrant: To your servant[s] (Name/s), grant, O Lord, many years.

Response:

 Added only after the final intonation:

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\gr \hi \text{ God grant him many years. God grant him many years. God grant him many blessed years.}
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\text{In health and happy-ness, in health and happy-ness, God grant him many blessed years.}
\end{music}

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\gr \hi \text{ God grant him many blessed years. God grant him many blessed years.}
\end{music}

\begin{music}
\text{In health and happy-ness, God grant him many blessed years.}
\end{music}
IN THANKSGIVING

Special Petitions in the Litany of Peace:

Deacon: That the Lord God mercifully accept upon his spiritual altar this thanksgiving and supplication of his unworthy servant[s] (Name/s) and, in his compassion, have mercy on us, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord God not reject this thanksgiving which his servant[s] (Name/s) offer[s] with a contrite heart for the benefits received from him, but that he accept it as the sweet aroma of incense and as a rich offering, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord God now hear the supplication of his servant[s] and fulfill the good intentions and desires which benefit his faithful people, always granting in his mercy the petitions of his holy Church and of each of us, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord God deliver his holy Church and his servant[s] (Name/s) and all of us from all affliction, distress, wrath, need, and from every visible and invisible enemy, and safeguard the life of his servant[s] beneath the sheltering wings of his angels, and grant them peace, health, and long life, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Troparion - Tone 4:

We, your unworthy servants, O Lord, are grateful for your great blessings bestowed on us; and, glorifying you, we praise and bless you; we give
thanks and we sing hymns to you. Humbly exalting your loving-kindness,
we cry out with love: Glory to you, our Benefactor and our Savior!

Glory... Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 3:**

O Master, you have freely granted your benefits and gifts to your unworthy servants. Therefore, we have come to offer thanksgiving as much as we are able. Praising you, our Benefactor and Creator, we exclaim:

O God most merciful, glory to you!

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 12:6):**

Let me sing to the Lord for his goodness to me.

**Verse:** Let my heart rejoice in your saving help.
Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 68:31,34):

Verse: I will praise God’s name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving.
Verse: For the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains.

Special Petitions in the Litany of Fervent Supplication:

Deacon: Lord our Savior and Master, with fear and trembling your servants give thanks for your loving-kindness and for the abundant benefits you have showered on us. Bowing low before you and praising you, our God, we cry out in humility: Deliver your servants from every misfortune and, because you are merciful, fulfill our good desires. We pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Deacon: Lord, in your mercy you have heard the prayers of your servants and have shown them the goodness of your love. In the past you have not disdained our prayers, so now fulfill the good desires of your servants. Overlooking our transgressions, show your bountiful mercy to us all. We pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Deacon: Gracious Master, may our thanksgiving be acceptable before the majesty of your glory as the sweet aroma of incense and as a rich offering. Send down your rich mercy and bounties on us every day. Deliver your holy Church and this community from the assaults of every visible and invisible enemy. Let your people live sinlessly in health and long life; and grant them progress in all that is good. We pray you, most merciful King, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)
Communion Hymn (Psalm 65:20):

FOR THE SICK

Special Petitions in the Litany of Peace:

Deacon: That the Lord God forgive his servant[s] *(Name/s)* every transgression voluntary or involuntary, and be merciful to (him-her-them), let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord God may quickly cure (him-her-them) like the centurion’s servant, the Canaanite woman’s daughter, and Peter’s mother-in-law, and restore (him-her-them) to health, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord God, for the glory of his name, visit his sick servant[s] with his Holy Spirit and cure every illness and affliction, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.
**Troparion - Tone 4:**

You alone are prompt to defend us, O Christ; now quickly visit your suffering servant[s]. Through the pray'rs of the Theotokos deliver her from illness and bitter pain. Raise her up that she may sing hymns to you and praise you continually. For you alone love us all.

Glory...Now and ever...

**Kontakion - Tone 2:**

O Savior, you once raised up Peter’s mother-in-law and the paralytic carried on a stretcher; in your mercy now visit and cure your suffering servant[s] lying on a bed of pain and grievously afflicted. For you alone have borne the weakness and pain
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 6:3,6):

Verse: For in death no one remembers you.

Alleluia - Tone 7 (Psalm 6:2,5):

Verse: Lord, do not reprove me in your anger; punish me not in your rage.
Verse: Save me, O Lord, in your merciful love.

Special Petitions in the Litany of Fervent Supplication:

Deacon: Physician of souls and bodies, with a contrite and humble heart we bow before you and beseech you to cure the physical and spiritual pain and suffering of your servant[s] (Name/s). Forgive all (his-her-their) voluntary and involuntary sins, and quickly restore (him-her-them) to health. We pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. *(Three times)* *(music found on page 416)*
Deacon: Merciful Lord, you do not desire the death of sinners, but that they repent and live. Have mercy and spare your servant[s] (Name/s); take away (his/her/their) every suffering and illness. As you once cured the daughter of Jairus by your touch, now stretch forth your mighty hand and raise up your servant[s] to health. We pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Deacon: Fountain of Healing, by your touch you healed the fever of Peter’s mother-in-law; so too, in your compassion bring health to your servant[s] (Name/s) so grievously afflicted. Give (him/her/them) quick recovery. We pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Communion Hymn (Psalm 6:3,4):

Deacon: FOR THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Special Petitions in the Litany of Peace:

Deacon: That the Lord God bless the good intention of his servant[s] (Name/s) and that (he/she/they) may favorably begin this work and, without any obstacle, quickly complete it for the glory of God by the power, action, and grace of the Most Holy Spirit, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.
Deacon: That the Lord God may help (him-her-them) succeed and guide the work of (his-her-their) hands to completion by the power, action, and grace of the Most Holy Spirit, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the Lord God appoint a guardian angel for this work and those engaged in it to repel every obstacle and visible and invisible enemy, and grant them the wisdom and strength to successfully complete it by the power, action, and grace of the Most Holy Spirit, let us pray.

Response: Lord, have mercy.

Troparion - Tone 2:

O God, Author and Creator of all things, hasten, with your blessing, to guide this work undertaken for your glory. Deliver us from every evil. For you alone are almighty and you love us all.

Glory...

Kontakion - Tone 6:

Quick in defense and powerful in your help: O Lord, be present now through the power of your grace. Bless us with strength and lead us to complete the good works we intend. For you, Almighty God, can accomplish whatever you will.
Now and ever…

**Theotokion - Tone 6 Kontakion:**

Stead-fast Pro-tec-tress of Chris-tians, un-shak-able Mediatrix before the Cre-a-tor, do not de-spise the prayerful voic-es of sin-ners;

but in your good-ness hurry to assist those who faithful-ly cry out to you.

Has-ten to in-tercede and heed our sup-pli-ca-tion,

in-ter-ced-ing always, Theotokos, in behalf of those who hon-or you.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4 (Psalm 89:17,16):**

Let the fa-vor of the Lord be up-on us: give suc-cess to the work of our hands.

**Verse:** Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children.

**Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 19:3,5):**

Al- le-lu-ia! Al- le-lu- ia! Al- le-lu- ia!
Verse: May he send you help from his shrine and give you support from Zion.
Verse: May he give you your heart’s desire.

Special Petitions in the Litany of Fervent Supplication:

Deacon: Loving Lord, look down with merciful eyes on your servants who, with faith, bow before your great kindness. Having heard their supplication, bless their good intention and their work. Grant that they may favorably begin and, without any obstacle, quickly complete it for your glory. We pray you, O most powerful King, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Deacon: Gracious Lord, appoint your angel as a guardian for this work to repel every obstacle of any visible or invisible enemy. Help in every way those who are engaged in this work to bring it to a favorable conclusion. We pray you, O good Savior, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Deacon: Lord, you commanded that everything be done for your glory. Now bless your servants who are beginning their work for your glory and give them the ability to complete it. Grant them health and happiness. We pray you, O generous Creator, hear and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times) (music found on page 416)

Communion Hymn (Psalm 36:4):

If you find your de-light in the Lord, he will grant your heart's de-sire,

he will grant your heart's de-sire. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia!
FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Special Petitions in the Litany of Peace:

For a general commemoration of the departed:

Deacon: For the souls of all who have departed throughout the ages in the true faith and in the hope of resurrection and eternal life, for our departed clergy and monastics, for the founders and benefactors of this holy church, for our parents and relatives, for [those buried here and] those inscribed here, and for all faithful Christians and for their blessed repose, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (music found on page 12)

Deacon: That they may stand uncondemned before the fearsome judgment-seat of Christ, and that their souls be committed to the place of light and life where all the saints and just repose, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (music found on page 12)

For the commemoration of a particular person or persons:

Deacon: For the servant[s] of God (Name/s) and for (his-her-their) blessed memory, and that (his-her-their) every transgression, voluntary and involuntary, be forgiven, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (music found on page 12)

Deacon: That (he-she-they) may stand uncondemned before the fearsome judgment-seat of Christ, and that (his-her-their) soul[s] be committed to the place of light and life where all the saints and just repose, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (music found on page 12)

Troparion - Tone 8:

In the depth of your wis-dom, O on-ly Cre-a-tor, you gov-ern

all with love and sup-ply the needs of each. Now give rest to
the soul[s] of your servant[s], for she has placed her hope in you,

our Creator, Maker, and our God.

Glory...

Kontakion - Tone 8:

With the saints, O Christ, give rest to your servant[s], where there is no pain,
sorrow, nor mourning, but life everlasting.

Now and ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion - Tone 8 Troparion:

We have in you a defense and a refuge, and an advocate
acceptable to God, to whom you gave birth, O Virgin Theotokos, the salvation of the faithful.
Prokeimenon - Tone 6 (Psalm 24:13,1):

Verse: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 64:5; Sirach 39:9):

Verse: Blessed are they whom you have chosen and received, O Lord.
Verse: They are remembered from generation to generation.

The Litany for the Deceased is chanted following the Litany of Fervent Supplication.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 64:5; Sirach 39:9):

Refrain
Intonation for the Deceased:

Celebrant: In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to your departed servant[s] (Name/s) and remember (him-her-them) forever.

Response:

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b l e s s - e d r e - p o - s e, e - t e r - n a l m e m - o - r y, e - t e r - n a l m e m - o - r y.
Panachida

Memorial Service for the Faithful Departed

Celebrant: 

Bless-ed is our God, always, now and ever and for-ev-er.

Response: 

A-men.

Throughout Pascha, the following is added:  

(music found on page 164)

Celebrant: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life. (Twice)

Ho-ly God, Ho-ly and Might-y, Ho-ly and Im-mor-tal,

have mer-cy on us. (Three times)

Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it,
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us; Lord, cleanse us of our sins;

Master, forgive our transgressions; Holy One, come to us and heal our infirmities for your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

now and ever and forever. Amen.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Celebrant: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.

Troparia - Tone 4:

With the souls of the just brought to perfection, give rest, O Savior, to the soul[s] of your servant[s], keeping them
life with you, for you love us all.

In your place of rest, O Lord, where all your saints repose,
give rest to the soul[s] of your servant[s], for you alone love us all.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

You are the God who descended into Hades and loosed the bonds of those imprisoned there. Now, O Savior, give rest to the soul[s] of your servant[s].
Litany for the Deceased:

Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response:

Deacon: Again we pray for the repose of the soul[s] of the departed servant[s] of God, (Name/s), and that (his-her-their) every transgression, voluntary and involuntary, be forgiven.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times)
Deacon: May the Lord God commit (his-her-their) soul[s] to the place where the just repose.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times)

Deacon: For the mercy of God, for the kingdom of heaven, and for the remission of (his-her-their) sins, let us beseech Christ, the immortal King and our God.

Response: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, have mer - cy.

The celebrant prays aloud:

Celebrant: O God of spirits and of all flesh, you trampled death and broke the power of the devil and granted life to your world. Now grant rest, O Lord, to the soul[s] of your departed servant[s] (Name/s), in a place of light, joy, and peace where there is no pain, sorrow, nor mourning. As a good and loving God, forgive every sin committed by (him-her-them) in word, deed, or thought, since there is no one who lives and does not sin. You alone are without sin; your justice is eternal justice; and your word is truth.

For you, O Christ our God, are the resurrection, the life, and the repose of your departed servant[s] (Name/s), and we give glory to you, with your eternal Father, and your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Dismissal:

Deacon: Wisdom!

Response:

More honorable than the cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious
than the seraphim; who, a virgin, gave birth to God the Word,
you, truly the Theotokos, we magnify.

Celebrant: Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope, glory to you.

Response:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever and forever. Amen. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Give the blessing.
Throughout Pascha, the following is sung in place of “More honorable” and “Glory to the Father.”

Deacon: Wisdom!

Response:

Shine in splendor, O new Je-ru-sa-le-m, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. O Zi-on, now dance and be glad; and you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the resur-rec-tion of your Son.

Celebrant: Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope, glory to you.

Response:

Christ is ris-en from the dead! By death he tram-pled Death; and to those in the tombs he grant-ed life. Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy. Give the bless-ing.
In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to your departed servant(s) and remember (him-her-them) forever.

Celebrant: May Christ our true God [risen from the dead] who rules over the living and the dead place the soul[s] of his departed servant[s] in the abode of the just and grant (him-her-them) rest in the bosom of Abraham and number (him-her-them) among the just, and have mercy on us and save us through the prayers of his most pure Mother; and of the holy, glorious, and illustrious apostles; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers; and through the prayers of all the saints; for Christ is good and loves us all.

Response: Amen.

Intonation for the Deceased:

Celebrant: In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to your departed servant[s] (Name/s) and remember (him-her-them) forever.

Response:

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For the Living

Celebrant: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever and forever.


Glo - ry to you, our God, glo - ry to you.

Heav - enly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, ev - erywhere present and filling all things, Treas - ury of Blessings and Giver of Life, come and dwell within us, cleanse us of all stain, and save our souls, O gra - cious One.

Throughout Pascha, the following is sung in place of “Glory to you” and “Heavenly King.” (music found on page 164)

Celebrant: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life.

Response: Christ is risen from the dead! * By death he trampled Death; * and to those in the tombs * he granted life. (Twice)
Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

(Three times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

now and ever and ever. Amen.

Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us; Lord, cleanse us of our sins;

Master, forgive our transgressions; Holy One, come to us and heal our

infirmites for your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it,
now and ever and forev-er. A-men.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespass-es as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into tempta-tion, but deliver us from e-vil.

Celebrant: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

**Troparion - Tone 6 (adapt.):**

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us: since we have no
defense, we sinners offer this supplication to you, our Master;

have mercy on us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**Kontakion - Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):**

Lord, have mercy on us, for in you we place our hope.

Be not exceedingly angry with us, nor mindful of our transgressions, but look upon us even now with mercy,

and deliver us from our enemies. For you are our God.
Litany for the Intention:

Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

Response:

1. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Deacon: Again we pray you, O Lord our God, hear our supplication and, through your grace, have mercy on your servant[s] (Name/s). Grant all (his-her-their) petitions and pardon all (his-her-their) voluntary and involuntary sins. Accept (his-her-their) supplications and charitable deeds before the throne of your majesty. Safeguard (him-her-them) from every visible and invisible enemy, from every misfortune, distress, and affliction. Spare (him-her-them) from illness and grant (him-her-them) health and long life. Let us all say: O Lord, hear and have mercy.

Response: 

Deacon: Loving Lord, look down with merciful eyes upon your servant[s] (Name/s) and hear the supplication that we have offered up with faith. For you yourself have said: Believe that you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer and it will be yours. You also said: Ask and you will receive. Because of this, unworthy as we are, we trust in your mercy and ask that you be merciful to your servant[s] (Name/s), and fulfill (his-her-their) good desires. Keep (him-her-them) in peace, tranquility, and health, and grant (him-her-them) long life. Let us all say: O Lord, hear and graciously have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times, using response 2)

Deacon: Again we pray for the people here present who await your great and abundant mercy, for those who show us mercy, and for all Christians of the true faith.

Response: Lord, have mercy. (Three times, using response 1)

Celebrant: For you are a merciful and loving God, and we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response: Amen.
Dismissal:

Deacon: Wisdom!

Response:

More honorable than the cheru-bim, and beyond compare more glorious than the sera-phim; who, a virgin, gave birth to God the Word, you, truly the Theotokos, we mag - ni - fy.

Celebrant: Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope, glory to you.

Response:

Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it, now and ever and forev-er. A-men. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Give the bless-ing.
Throughout Pascha, the following is sung in place of “More honorable” and “Glory to the Father.” (music found on page 439)

Shine in splendor, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. O Zion, now dance and be glad; and you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs he granted life. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Give the blessing.

Celebrant: May Christ our true God [risen from the dead] have mercy on us and save us through the prayers of his most pure Mother; and of the holy, glorious, and illustrious apostles; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers; of the holy (Name/s), the patron[s] [patroness] of this church; of the holy (Name/s of the saint/s whose day it is); and through the prayers of all the saints; for Christ is good and loves us all.

Response:

Intonation for the Living:

Celebrant: To your servant[s] (Name/s), grant, O Lord, many years.

Response:
Added only after the final intonation:

In health and hap-pi-ness, in health and hap-pi-ness, God grant him her man-y bless-ed years.

B

God grant him her man-y bless-ed years. God grant him her man-y bless-ed years.

Added only after the final intonation:

In health and hap-pi-ness, God grant him her man-y bless-ed years.
Liturgical and Scriptural Hymns

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul *(found on page 109)*
2. O Joyful Light *(found on page 117)*
3. Make us worthy
4. The Prayer of the Holy Simeon the God-Bearer
5. Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos
6 Beneath your compassion
   melody A
   melody B
7. Polyeleos (Praise the name of the Lord)
8. The Great Doxology (Glory to God in the highest)
9. Accept me today as a partaker
10. A new commandment *(John 16: 34)*
3. Make us worthy

Make us worthy, O Lord, to be kept sinless this evening.

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praise-worthy and glorious is your name forever. Amen. May your mercy, O Lord, be upon us who have placed our hope in you.

Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your commandments.

Blessed are you, O Master; make me understand your commandments. Blessed are you, O Holy One; enlighten me with your commandments. O Lord, your mercy is forever;
4. The Prayer of the Holy Simeon the God-Bearer

Now you may dismiss your servant, O Lord, in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared before the
face of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles,

and the glory of your people Israel.

5. Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos! Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you! Blessed are you among women, and blessed
is the fruit of your womb. For you gave birth to Christ the Savior
and Redeemer of our souls.
6. Beneath your compassion

A

Be-neath your compas-sion we take ref - uge, O Vir-gin

Be - neath your compas-sion we take ref - uge, O Vir-gin

The-o-to-kos. De-spise not our pray'rs, our pray'rs in our need,

The-o-to-kos. De-spise not our pray'rs, our pray'rs in our need,

but de-liv-er us from dan-gers, for you a-lone are pure, for you

but de-liv-er us from dan-gers, for you a-lone are pure, for you

a - lone are pure, for you a-lone are pure and bless - ed.

a - lone are pure, for you a-lone are pure and bless - ed.

B
7. Polyeleos (Praise the name of the Lord)
(excerpts from Psalms 134 and 135)

Refrain 1

1. Praise the name of the Lord. Al-le-lu-ia! Praise him, servants of the Lord, servants of the Lord.

Refrain 1

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Refrain 1

2. Who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God, the house of our God.

Refrain 1

3. Lord, your name stands forever, un-for-got-ten from age to age, from age to age. Refrain 1
4. From Zion may the Lord be blessed, he who dwells in Jerusalem, in Jerusalem. **Refrain 1**

5. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. Alleluia!

For his love endures forever. Alleluia! Alleluia!

6. Who fixed the earth firmly on the seas. **Refrain 2**

7. And he snatched us away from our foes. **Refrain 2**

8. To the God of heaven, give thanks. **Refrain 2**
8. The Great Doxology (Glory to God in the highest)

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and to peo - ple on earth
peace and good will. We praise you, we bless you,
we wor - ship you, we glo - ri - fy you, we thank you for your great
glo - ry. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, Fa - ther Al - might - y;
Lord, on - ly - be - got - ten Son, Jesus Christ, and Ho - ly
Spir - it. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,
you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
You take a - way the sins of the world, hear our pray'r.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are holy, you alone are Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen. I will bless you day after day, and praise your name forever. Make us worthy, O Lord,
to be kept sinless this morning. Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our Fathers, and praise-worthy and glorious is your name forever. Amen. May your mercy, O Lord, be upon us who have placed our hope in you. Blessed are you, O Lord;
teach me your commandments. Blessed are you, O Master;

make me understand your commandments. Blessed are you, O Holy One; enlighten me with your commandments. O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

I said: Lord, have mercy on me, heal my soul for I have sinned against you. O Lord, I have fled to you for refuge.

Teach me to do your will, for you, O Lord, are my God.

In you is the source of life and in your light we see light.
9. Accept me today as a partaker

Extend your mercy to those who know you.

Accept me today as a partaker of your mystical supper,

O Son of God, for I will not reveal your mystery to your enemies, nor will I give you a kiss as did Judas,

but like the thief I profess you: Remember me, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom.
9. A new commandment (John 16: 34)

1. A new commandment I give to you; that you
2. By this will all people know that you are

love each other, even as I have loved you.
my disciples, if you have love for each other.
Glossary

Ambon – a raised platform before the holy doors, usually in the form of a half circle.

Anamnesis – literally “remembrance;” the remembrance of God’s works of salvation expressed in the Anaphora, following the words of institution and before the Epiklesis.

Anaphora – the great prayer of thanksgiving at the heart of the Divine Liturgy; this prayer includes a remembrance of the saving command and acts of Christ and an invocation of the Holy Spirit.

Antiphon – a psalm sung with a composed refrain.

Bolhar – literally “Bulgarian;” one of four tones used for certain texts in Vespers, Matins, and other services.

Bow – an inclination of the head at the shoulders while making the sign of the cross; a profound bow includes the extending of the hand to the knees or to the ground.

Canon – a poetical composition of nine odes, each made up of several troparia; it is sung at Matins and at other services; the theme of each ode is taken from a corresponding biblical canticle.

Catechumen – a person undergoing official preparation for baptism.

Cherubikon – a hymn sung at the Great Entrance.

Da capo al fine – literally “from the head to the end;” indicates that the singer goes to the beginning of the hymn and sings till the ending, as indicated by “fine.”

Departed, Liturgies for the – services that include hymns and petitions specifically
for the faithful departed; such propers of the liturgy are not included on Saturday evenings, Sundays, on great feasts, and throughout Bright Week.

**Divine Liturgy** – the title generally given to the Eucharistic liturgy.

**Dogmatikon** – a sticheron sung to the Mother of God at the end of the Lamp-Lighting Psalms, composed on the theme of the dogma of the Incarnation.

**Enarxis** – the beginning of the Divine Liturgy including the great incensation, the Litany of Peace, and the antiphons.

**Entrance Hymn** – the final verse of the Third Antiphon, usually Psalm 94:6 that is sung at the Little Entrance with the gospel book; on feasts of our Lord, Psalm 94:6 is replaced by another psalm verse proper to the feast.

**Epiklesis** – the invocation of the Holy Spirit during the Anaphora of the Divine Liturgy asking God to change the elements of bread and wine as well as the faithful who will partake of the body and blood of Christ.

**Eucharist** – literally “thanksgiving;” a general term for the Divine Liturgy and for the gifts of Christ’s body and blood that are received.

**Great Entrance** – a procession through the northern door and the holy doors with the gifts of bread and wine about to be consecrated.

**Great Incensation** – the incensation of the entire church including the holy table, the sanctuary, the icon screen, the icons throughout the church, the faithful, and those serving in the sanctuary.

**Holy Doors** – the central doors of the icon screen on which are depicted icons of the Annunciation and/or the four evangelists.

**Holy Table** – the table of sacrifice in the center of the sanctuary; on the holy table
are the tabernacle, the gospel book, and the hand cross; beneath the gospel book is kept the antimension on which the gifts of bread and wine become the body and blood of Christ.

**Hymn of the Incarnation** – the theological troparion to Christ, beginning “O only-begotten Son,” usually sung at the end of the Second Antiphon; attributed to the Emperor Justinian (527-565).

**Icon Screen** – the screen adorned with holy icons, joining the sanctuary to the nave; the holy doors are in the center; the northern door and the southern door are also called “deacons’ doors.”

**Irmos** – the initial stanza of an ode in the Canon of Matins connecting a biblical hymn to the celebration of the day; the irmos of the Ninth Ode of the Canon replaces “It is truly proper” on great feasts.

**Kontakion** – a hymn sung after the troparion or troparia of the Divine Liturgy; this hymn is taken from the Canon of Matins and expresses poetically the theme of the day’s commemoration.

**Lamb** – the square central portion of the Eucharistic bread sealed with the letters IC XC NIKA (“Jesus Christ Conquers”); John the Baptist points to Jesus as the Lamb of God (John 1:29,36).

**Lamp-Lighting Psalms** – the central psalms of Vespers; Psalms 140, 141, 129, 116.

**Leave-taking** – the final day of the extended celebration of a great feast on which the proper hymns of the feast are repeated.

**Litany** – a series of petitions generally proposed by the deacon with a short congregational response.

**Little Entrance** – a procession through the northern door and the holy doors with the
holy gospel book.

**Magnification** – a hymn glorifying the feast or saint of the day; in the Divine Liturgy, it usually begins with Mary’s words “Extol, O my soul” (cf. Luke 1:46) and precedes the Irmos.

**Matins** – the principal morning liturgical service of the Church.

**Mirovanije** – literally “anointing with oil;” the practice of anointing the congregation with olive oil and the distribution of bread that were blessed at Vespers for certain feasts.

**Moleben** – a devotional prayer service that includes portions of Matins; a brief Moleben for general intentions is included in this book.

**Narthex** – literally “small case;” also called the “vestibule,” a room of transition from leaving the world to entering the nave; special hymns and petitions at Vespers for certain feasts and rituals for catechumens are offered in the narthex.

**Nave** – literally “ship;” the main body of the temple between the narthex and the sanctuary where the faithful gather to worship.

**Panachida** – literally “all night;” a brief memorial service for the deceased, derived from the longer wake service of prayer and psalmody that was offered throughout the night in the presence of the bodily remains; it may be sung at a funeral, at the anniversary of a death, or at any other appropriate occasion.

**Pascha** – literally “Passover;” the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ; this term is also used to designate the 40-day season of celebration which begins on the Sunday of Resurrection and concludes on the day before Ascension Thursday.

**Pentecostarion** – a liturgical book containing the proper hymns for Vespers, Matins,
and other services throughout Pascha and to the Sunday of All Saints; this term is also used to designate the 50-day period from the Sunday of Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday.

**Pre-feast** – a day or days of vigil that have proper hymns before a great feast.

**Podoben** – literally “special melody;” a term indicating that a hymn is sung to a special melody, not one of the eight Samohlasen tones. Each podoben is identified by a tone marker (e.g. Tone 4) and the first Slavonic words of the original melody (e.g. Udivisja Josif.)

**Polyeleos** – literally “much mercy;” excerpts from Psalms 134 and 135 sung with an “alleluia” refrain.

**Post-feast** – a day or days that have proper hymns extending the celebration of a great feast.

**Prokeimenon** – literally “placed before;” a verse, usually from the Psalms, sung as a refrain with one, two, or three verses of the same psalm.

**Samohlasen** – literally “same tone;” the name given to the musical family of eight tones (i.e. formulas) used to sing certain texts in Vespers, Matins, and other services.

**Samopodoben** – the name given to a melody written to accompany a specific liturgical text. When another hymn utilizes this same melody, the melody is called a podoben.

**Sanctuary** – the “holy of holies;” the area of the church that includes the holy table and the table of preparation, designated by the icon screen; also called the “altar.”

**Sticheron** – literally “verse;” a generic term for ecclesiastical hymns sung alternately with psalm verses, particularly at the Lamp-lighting Psalms of Vespers and the
Psalms of Praise at Matins.

**Table of Preparation** – a table at the north side of the sanctuary on which the gifts of bread and wine are prepared for the Eucharistic sacrifice.

**Theotokion** – a liturgical hymn in honor of the Theotokos.

**Theotokos** – literally “birth-giver of God;” the main title of the Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, defined at the Council of Ephesus in 431.

**Triodion** – a liturgical book containing the proper hymns for Vespers, Matins, and other services from the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee to Great and Holy Saturday.

**Troparion** – literally “refrain;” at the Divine Liturgy, a hymn that concludes the Third Antiphon; this hymn expresses the theme of the day’s commemoration; it is also sung at Vespers and Matins.

**Typical Psalms** – portions of Psalms 102 and 145 and the Beatitudes (Gospel of Matthew) from the communion service that occasionally replace the three antiphons at the Divine Liturgy.

**Typikon** – literally “order;” a guide to the proper celebration of the liturgical services of the Church; this guide explains what hymns, readings, and rituals are proper in every liturgical service.

**Vespers** – the principal evening liturgical service of the Church.

**Vigil Divine Liturgy** – a Divine Liturgy celebrated on the evening before a feast day or Sunday using the proper texts of the feast or Sunday.

The End, and Glory to God!