

Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting

**Magnification:**

Vir-gin The - o - to - kos, the hope of Chris-tians, pro- tect, watch  
and save those who have placed their hope in you.

**Irmos**

O faith - ful, let us recognize the fig - ure of Christ fore - shad-owed in  
the letter of the Law which says: Ev - 'ry male child who opens the womb is  
sanc-ti - fied to God. There - fore, the first - born Word and Son of the Father without  
be - gin-ning, the first - born Son of a mother who had not known man:  
him, let us ex - tol.

**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!

**Divine Liturgy, February 5, 2023  
SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

**Post-festive Day of the Meeting of our Lord with Simeon and Anna**

**Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 2**

When you de - scended to death, O Im - mor - tal Life, you de-destroyed  
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 heav - en - ly pow - ers cried out:  
O Giv - er of Life, Christ our God, glo - - - ry to you.

**Troparion of the Meeting - Tone 1**

Re-joice, The - o - to - kos, Vir - gin full of grace; for from you has shone forth  
the Sun of Jus - tice, Christ our God, en - light - en - ing those who are in  
dark - ness. Re - joice al - so, you just el - der; you re - ceived in  
your arms the liber - a - tor of our souls, who grants us res - ur - rec - tion.

*Cantor*

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

**Kontakion of the Prodigal Son - Tone 3**

When I fool-ish-ly spurned your fa-ther-ly glo - ry, I squan-dered the  
 rich-es you had given me on e - vil deeds. So now I cry out to you with the voice  
 of the prod-i-gal son: I have sinned a - gainst you, O mer-ci-ful Fa - ther;  
 ac - cept my re-pen-tance and treat me as one of your hired ser - vants.

*Cantor*

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

**Kontakion of the Meeting - Tone 1**

Christ our God, through your birth you sanctified the vir-gin's womb and blessed  
 the hands of Sim-con as was prop - er. Now you have come and

saved us. Give peace to nations at war and strength - en our gov - ern - ment.

You, a - lone, love us all.

**Prokeimenon of the Resurrection - Tone 2 (Psalm 117:14,18):**

My strength and my song is the Lord; he has be-come my sal - va - tion,  
 he has be - come my sal - va - tion.

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

**Alleluia of the Resurrection - Tone 2 (Psalm 19:2,10):**

Al - le - lu - ia! 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.