# Moleben to our Holy Father Basil the Great

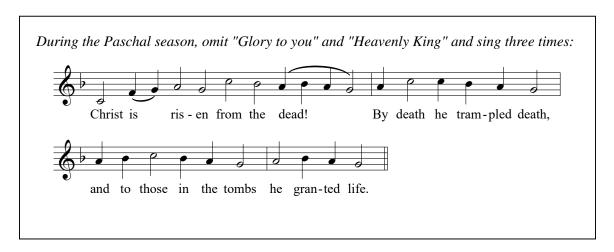
**Priest:** Blessed is our God, always, now and ever and forever.

**Response:** 





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.



Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy *on* us. (3 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. Lord have mer-cy. Lord have mer-cy.

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.

**Priest:** For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and

Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

**Response:** 





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have mercy. Lord, have mer-cy.

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

# Call to Worship

#### Each time with a reverence:



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 142

O Lord, listen to my prayer: turn your ear to my appeal. You are faithful, you are just; *give* answer.

Do not call your servant to judgment for no one is just in *your* sight.

The enemy pursues my soul; he has crushed my life to *the* ground;

he has made me dwell in darkness like the dead, long *for* gotten.

Therefore my spirit fails; my heart is numb *with* in me.

I remember the days that are past: I ponder all *your* works.

I muse on what your hand has wrought and to you I stretch out my hands.

Like a parched land my soul thirsts *for* you.

Lord, make haste and answer; for my spirit fails *with* in me.

Do not hide your face lest I become like those in *the* grave.

In the morning let me know your love for I put my trust *in* you.

Make me know the way I should walk: to you I lift up *my* soul.

Rescue me, Lord, from my enemies; I have fled to you *for* refuge.

Teach me to do your will for you, O Lord, are *my* God.

Let your good spirit guide me in ways that are level *and* smooth.

For your name's sake, Lord, save my life; in your justice save my soul from *distress*.

In your love make an end of my foes; destroy all those who oppress me for I am your servant, *O* Lord.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever and forever. *A*men.

Three times, each with a reverence:

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

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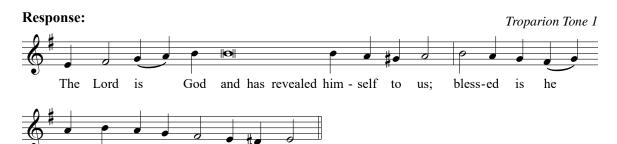
The third time, with melody:



The deacon chants on one tone:

**Deacon:** The Lord is God and has revealed himself to us:

blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



The deacon remains at the ambon and chants the verses. If there is no deacon, the priest remains at the holy doors and chants the verses.

**Deacon:** Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

who comes in the name of the Lord.

for his love endures forever.

**Response:** repeat "The Lord is God..."

**Deacon:** They encircled me, compassed me about;

in the Lord's name I crushed them.

**Response:** repeat "The Lord is God..."

**Deacon:** I shall not die, I shall live

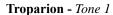
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

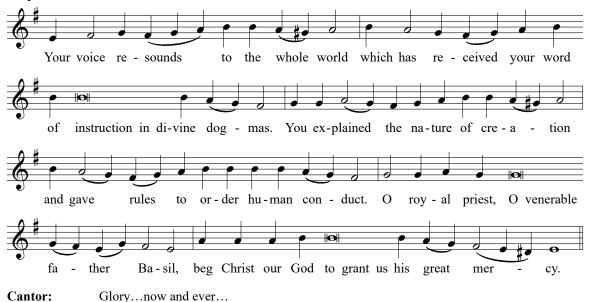
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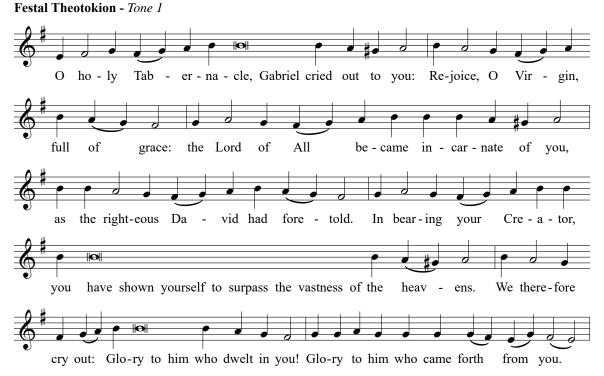
**Deacon:** The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

**Response:** repeat "The Lord is God..."

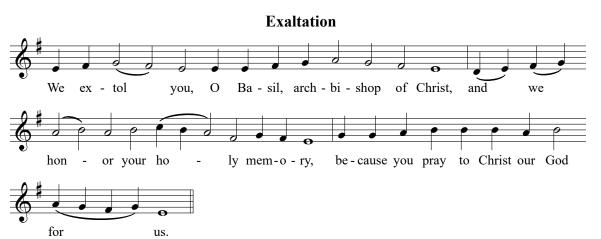








Glo-ry to him who has set us free through your life-giv-ing birth.



The deacon chants the following verses, and the faithful repeat the Exaltation after each verse.

Verse: Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth;

sing praise to his name, give to him glorious praise.

Verse: Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice

Verse: Many are the trials of the just one, but from them all the Lord will rescue him.

Verse: They are happy, who dwell in your house, forever singing your praise.

Verse: Glory...now and ever...

Then three times, each with a reverence:



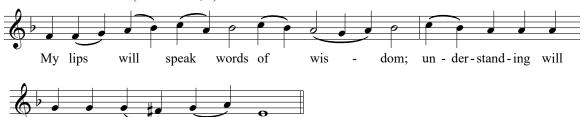
All repeat "We extol you..."

**Deacon:** Let us be attentive!

**Priest:** Peace be to all!

**Deacon:** Wisdom! Be attentive!

**Prokeimenon -** *Tone 4* (Psalm 48: 4, 2)



**Deacon:** Hear this, all you nations, give heed, all who dwell in the world.

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All repeat the prokeimenon.

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**Deacon:** Let us pray to the Lord.

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Response: Lord, have mer - cy.

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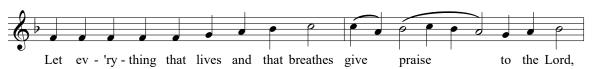
**Priest:** For you are holy, O our God, and you dwell in the holy place, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Response:

A - men.

**Deacon:** Let everything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord!

**Response:** Tropariom Tone 4





**Deacon:** Praise God in his holy place; praise him in his mighty heavens.

All repeat "Let everything that lives..."

Deacon: That we may be deemed worthy of hearing the holy Gospel, let us pray to the

Lord, our God.

# **Response:**



**Deacon:** Wisdom! Let us stand and listen to the holy Gospel.

**Priest:** Peace be to all!

And to your spi - - - it.

**Priest:** A reading of the holy Gospel according to John.

# **Response:**



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**Deacon:** Let us be attentive.

**Priest:** [John 10:9-16 - the Good Shepherd. Gospel book: November 12]

# **Response:**

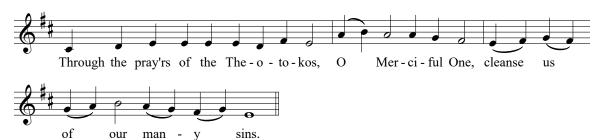


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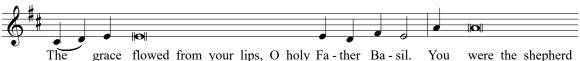
Cantor: (Tone 6) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.



**Cantor:** Now and ever and forever. Amen.

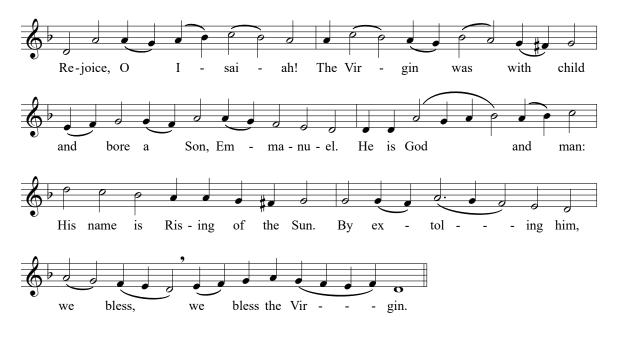


Cantor: Have mercy on me, O God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offense.





# Ode 9 - Irmos





#### The lector chants the verses recitando:

O holy Father Basil, as a faithful sheep of Christ, you followed in the life-giving footsteps of the Shepherd. You courageously delivered your life into the hands of the tyrant, O blessed Father, exposing yourself to danger for the sake of the Church. *Refrain* 

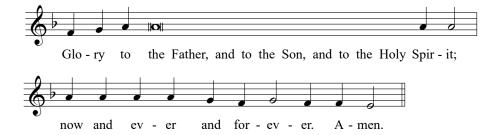
The enemy saw the holiness of the Church of Christ, adorned with the splendor of your sanctity, O wise one. The persecutor was shaken as if by thunder, and he fell because he could not endure the Holy Spirit whose brightness you reflected. *Refrain* 

O holy Father Basil, you became worthy of the chair of the apostles, the ranks of the martyrs of Christ, the tabernacles of the patriarchs, the delight of the holy ones, and the company of the prophets. You were a friend of the Theotokosod and a servant of the holy Trinity. *Refrain* 

You walked the arduous path of virtue and at last arrived at the smooth and gradual ascent to heaven. In this way you became an example for all, O holy Father Basil. *Refrain* 

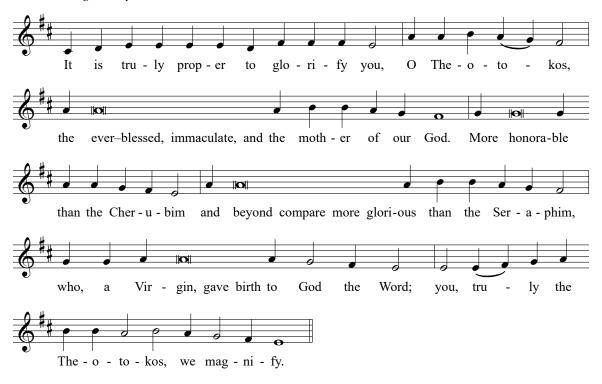
You have been familiar with ineffable things, O holy Father, and initiated many into the kingdom of Christ, having plainly made the light of the Trinity shine upon us.. *Refrain* 

Desiring to sing your praises, O holy Basil, we need the greatness of your voice; but since you are understanding, O Father, receive our prayer and obtain for us an abundance of grace.



O ever-pure One, who can fittingly praise your conceiving of the Word? For you, O most holy Virgin, gave birth in the flesh to God, the Savior and Lord of us all.

Then we sing the Hymn to the Theotokos:



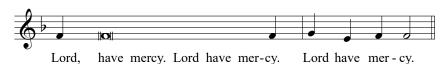
During the Paschal season, "Shine in splendor" is sung in place of "It is truly proper."

# **Trisagion Prayers**

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

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

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.



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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

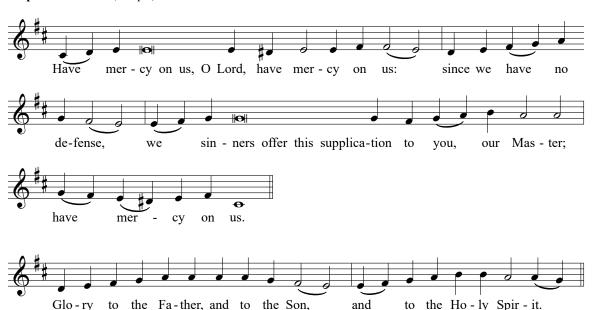
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

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

Response: A - men.

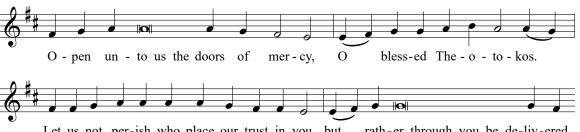
**Troparion -** *Tone 6 (adapt.):* 



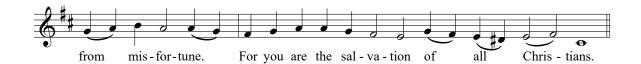
## **Kontakion -** *Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):*



## **Theotokion -** *Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):*



Let us not per-ish who place our trust in you, but rath-er through you be de-liv-ered



# **Litany of Fervent Supplication**

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 our holy father, (Name), pope of Rome, and for our most reverend metropolitan, (Name), for the God-loving bishop, (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.

# **Response:**



**Deacon:** Again we pray for our government and for all in the service of our country.

# **Response:**



(Special petitions may be inserted here if desired.)

**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:**



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



**Deacon:** Bowing our heads in humility. let us pray.



**Priest:** 

Holy Father Basil, glorious teacher for the whole Church, pastor and dedicated shepherd of Christ's flock, limitless source of theology; instructor, commentator and interpreter of the ineffable Mysteries of God; chief source and organizer of monastic rules for the common life; brillant image of purity and chastity; beautiful living icon of poverty, patience and meekness; lover of the rule of abstinence; guardian of poverty; valiant soldier fighting the heretical enemies of God; victorious warrior and invincible advocate of the triune Divinity; true defender of the honor and glory of the Most Holy Trinity; ardent devotee of the Mother of God and courageous champion of her immaculate divinity and divine maternity, as well as of her lofty intercession! See how I - sinful and guilty - fall humbly before you and beg you, O teacher of Christ's universal Church: teach me to direct my steps in the way of God's law, and to walk with such respect for Him that I veer neither to the right nor the left of His commandments. Enlighten my crude understanding that I might become ever wiser in the things of God through the wisdom of your direction. Make me wiser day by day! Bend my perverted will from transitory and carnal infatuations and desires, and set it on permanent, spiritual and heavenly

**Priest:** 

satisfactions and rewards. Guide my memory to be aware of my destiny, for which I was created and brought to life. Assist me to be enrolled among the citizens of heaven, so that with you and with all the saints who have pleased God, I might stand before His glorious throne and return praise to the life-creating, consubstantial and undivided Trinity in a song which never ends.

**Response:** 



#### Dismissal

(In Paschal time, see page 19)

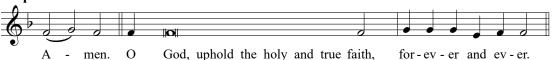
**Deacon:** Wisdom!

Response:

Give the bles-sing.

**Priest:** Blessed is Christ our God, the One-Who-Is, always, now and ever and forever.

# **Response:**



**Priest:** O most holy Theotokos, save us!

# **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.

**Priest:** 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 for ev-er.



A-men. Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord, have mer-cy. Give the bless-ing.

#### **Priest:**

May Christ our true God, have mercy on us and save us through the prayers of his most pure Mother; and of our holy father Basil the Great, archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia [if January 1, add: whose memory we gloriously celebrate today]; and through the prayers of all the saints; for Christ is good and loves us all..



## **Paschal Dismissal**

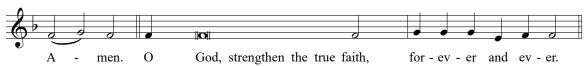
**Deacon:** Wisdom!

Response:

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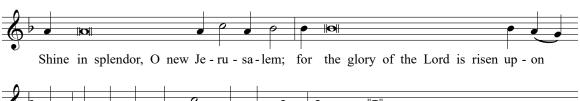
**Priest:** Blessed is Christ our God, the One-Who-Is, always, now and ever and forever.

# **Response:**



**Priest:** O most holy Theotokos, save us!

# **Response:**





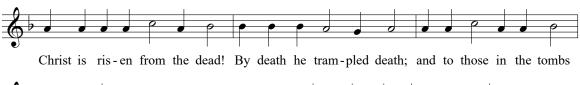
you. O Zi-on, now dance and be glad; and

you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the



**Priest:** Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope; glory to you!

# **Response:**





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