Divine Liturgy Propers
SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS
Third Paschal Sunday

Immediately after the opening blessing, the following is sung once by the priest and then twice by the faithful:

**Troparion of Pascha - Special Tone 5**

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

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**Troparia of the Resurrection - Tone 2:**

When you descended to death, O Im-mortal 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.
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.

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.

Cantor

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Kontakion of the Holy Myrrh-bearers - 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.

Cantor

Now and ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion of Pascha - 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.
Prokeimenon of the Myrrh-bearers - 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.

Alleluia of the Myrrh-bearers - Tone 8 (Psalm 84:2,11):

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

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:

The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace:

Re-joice, O pure Virgin; and again, I say: Re-joice!

Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day

and has raised the dead. Re-joice, 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 of Pascha: *(music found on page 168-169)*
Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

The Paschal troparion “Christ is risen from the dead. * By death . . .” is sung once in place of “We have seen the true light; . . .”

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

The celebrent sings once:

(Twice)

After the Dismissal, the celebrent says three times: “Christ is risen!” and the faithful respond each time: “Indeed he is risen!” The celebrent then sings once: “Christ is risen from the dead! By death . . .,” and the faithful sing: