

Sunday 30 February 2026
Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
Beginning of the Lenten Triodion
Forefeast of the Meeting of our Lord
[Fast-free week]
Tone 1

At the hours

Third hour:

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory: Forefeast; Both now: Horologion
Kontakion: Forefeast

Sixth hour:

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory: Forefeast; Both now: Horologion
Kontakion: Triodion

The Divine Liturgy

TYPICAL ANTIPONS AND BEATITUDES

ENTRANCE HYMN:

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

TROPARIA AND KONTAKIA:

Resurrection Troparion Tone 1

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When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,
Thou didst rise on the third day, O Saviour,
granting life to the world.

The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life:
“Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!

Glory to Thy Kingdom!//

Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind!”

Troparion the Forefeast Tone 1

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The celestial choir of the angels of heaven,
coming to earth, behold the Firstborn of all creation who is come,
borne into the temple
as a Babe in the arms of the Mother who kneweth not man.
Wherefore, with us they chant hymns of the forefeast, rejoicing.

Resurrection Kontakion Tone 1

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As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory,
raising the world with Thyself.

Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished.
Adam exults, O Master!

Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee://
“Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

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

Kontakion of the Publican and Pharisee (Triodion) Tn 4 [Sheet](#) / [Website](#)

Let us flee the bragging of the Pharisee,
and learn the humility of the Publican,
while crying out unto the Saviour with groanings:
Be gracious unto us, //
O Thou Who alone dost readily forgive.

Both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen

Kontakion of the Forefeast

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The Word Who is invisibly with the Father
is now seen in the flesh,
ineffably born of the Virgin;
and He is given to the high priest
on the arm of the elder.

Let us worship Him as our true God!

Trisagion as normal

Prokeimenon in the First Tone:

Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord,/ as we have set our hope on thee.
Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous; praise becometh the upright.

Apostle:

The reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to Timothy.

¹⁰ My child Timothy: you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹ my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Ico'nium, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. ¹² Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 3:10-15

Alleluia:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

It is God who giveth me vengeance, and hath subjected peoples under me.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Who magnifieth the salutations of his king, and sheweth mercy to David his anointed and to his seed for ever.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel:

¹⁰ Jesus said: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank thee that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 18:10-14

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The Megalinarion:

Meet it is in truth...

Communion Hymn:

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

After Communion

"We have seen the True Light." etc, as usual.