

Hymns and Readings for Sunday 3rd September 2023

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia

Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Theoctistus

THE HOURS

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE THIRD HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Venerable Theoctistus; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Resurrection

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE SIXTH HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Hieromartyr Anthimus; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Resurrection

THE DIVINE LITURGY

TYPICAL PSALMS 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, alleluia, alleluia!

TROPARIA & KONTAKIA

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 4

[Music on website / Green Book page 8]

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel
the joyous message of Thy Resurrection,
they cast away the ancestral curse
and elatedly told the apostles:
"Death is overthrown!
Christ our God is risen, //
granting the world great mercy!"

Troparion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

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As a Bishop, thou gavest thyself
to preaching the truth and the purity of the Church.
Thou didst shine forth as an example of humility and holiness;
studying the Scriptures, thou tookest care to follow the Word.
Pray for thy children, O Holy Father Chad,
that we too may follow Christ, //
and be found worthy to partake of the nature of God.

Troparion of the Hieromartyr Anthimus in Tone 4

[Music on website / Sheet]

As thou didst share in the ways of the Apostles,
and didst occupy their throne,
thou didst find thine activity to be a passage to divine vision,
O divinely-inspired one.
Wherefore, ordering the word of truth,
thou didst suffer for the Faith even to the shedding of thy blood.
O Hieromartyr Anthimus,
entreat Christ God //
that our souls be saved.

Troparion of the Venerable Theoctistus in Tone 8

[Music on website / Sheet]

With the streams of thy tears thou didst irrigate the barren desert,
and with sighs from the depths of thy soul thou didst render thy labours fruitful an hundredfold;
and becamest a beacon for the whole world, resplendent with miracles. //
O Theoctistus, our father, entreat Christ God, that our souls be saved.

Kontakion of the Resurrection in Tone 4[\[Music on website / Green Book page 8\]](#)

My Saviour and Redeemer as God
 rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains.
 He has shattered the gates of hell,
 and as Master, //
 He has risen on the third day!

Kontakion of Saint Chad in Tone 2[\[Folder\]](#)

When thou wast praying to Christ, O venerable Chad
 the choir of the angels came to call thee to thy reward.
 Then thou wast summoned to share
 in the Thrice Holy song with the seraphim.
 Pray thou that we may live
 as icons of the cherubim //
 rejoicing before the Trinity, the Giver of life.

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

Kontakion of the Hieromartyr Anthimus in Tone 4[\[Music on website / Sheet\]](#)

Having lived amongst priests,
 And finished the path of martyrdom;
 thou didst extinguish the immolations of the idolators,
 being a champion of thy flock, O divinely wise one.
 Wherefore it now honoureth thee, mystically crying out:
 "By thy supplications deliver us from misfortunes, //
 O ever-memorable Anthimus."

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

Steadfast Protectress of Christians in Tone 6[\[Music on website / Folder\]](#)

Steadfast Protectress of Christians,
 Constant advocate before the Creator,
 despise not the cry of us sinners,
 but in thy goodness
 come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith.
 Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, //
 for thou dost ever protect those who honour thee.

THE TRISAGION**PROKEIMENA**

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fourth Tone.

Reader: O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!

Choir: O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!

Reader: To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

Choir: O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!

Reader: And in the Seventh Tone.

Reader: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Choir: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.

Ye Brethren: Be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and labourer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and

Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen. [1 Corinthians 16:13-24]

Ye Brethren: Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their lives, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings; for it is well that the heart be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited their adherents. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go forth to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city which is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. [Hebrews 13:7-16]

ALLELUIA

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest, and to all the people.

Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: Go forth and prosper and reign, because of truth and meekness and righteousness.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: For Thou lovest righteousness and hatest iniquity.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: Thy priests shall be clothed with righteousness, and Thy holy ones shall rejoice with joy.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes'?" [Matthew 21:33-42]

The Lord said: "I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd." [John 10:9-16]

THE ZADOSTOYNIK

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"It is truly meet ..." / "Meet it is in truth ..."

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance; he shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

AFTER COMMUNION

“We have seen the True Light ...” etc., as usual.
