

Hymns and Readings for Sunday 3rd November 2024

19th Sunday after Pentecost ♦ The Holy Martyrs Akepsimas the Bishop, Joseph the Presbyter, and Aethalas the Deacon, of Persia

Dedication of the Church of the Holy Great Martyr George in Lydda

THE HOURS

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE THIRD HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Saint George; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Resurrection

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE SIXTH HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Holy Martyrs; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Holy Martyrs

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 AND KONTAKIA

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 2

[Music on website / Green Book page 4]

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal,
Thou didst slay hell with the splendour of Thy Godhead.
And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead,
all the powers of heaven cried out://
"O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Troparion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

[Music in Folder]

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 Holy Martyrs in Tone 3

[Music on website / Sheet]

Ye were pillars of the Church, O servants of godliness,
and ye humbled the proud worshippers of fire.
Much afflicted hierarch Aképsimas, Joseph the presbyter and Aethalas the deacon,
pray to Christ our God//
to grant us His great mercy!

Troparion of Saint George in Tone 4

[Music on website / Sheet]

As a liberator of captives,
a helper of the poor, and a physician of the infirm,
O champion of kings,
victorious great martyr George,//
entreat Christ God that our souls be saved.

Kontakion of the Resurrection in Tone 2

[Music on website / Green Book page 5]

Hell became afraid, O almighty Saviour,
seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb!
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee,//
and the world, O my Saviour, praises Thee forever.

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

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.

Kontakion of the Holy Martyrs in Tone 2[\[Music on website / Sheet\]](#)

Thou didst celebrate the mysteries blamelessly, O wise one,
and becamest thyself an acceptable sacrifice, O divinely blessed one.
Thou didst gloriously drink of the cup of Christ, Holy Akepsimas.//
Together with thy fellow sufferers thou art praying unceasingly to Christ God for us all.

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

Kontakion of Saint George in Tone 8[\[Music on website / Sheet\]](#)

Having recourse to thine excellent and speedy aid, O athlete of Christ,
We, the faithful, pray that they that hymn thee may be delivered
from the snares of the enemy and from all tribulations and afflictions,//
that we may cry: "Rejoice, O martyr George!"

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 Second Tone.

Reader: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Reader: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Reader: And in the Fourth Tone.

Reader: The Lord hath been wondrous in the saints that are in His earth; He hath wrought all His desires in them.

Choir: The Lord hath been wondrous in the saints that are in His earth; He hath wrought all His desires in them.

EPISTLE

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

Ye brethren: The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands. I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows-and he heard things that cannot

be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. [2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9]

Finally, brethren: Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Therefore take the whole armour of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. [Ephesians 6:10-16]

ALLELUIA

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

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

Reader: May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the Name of the God of Jacob protect thee!

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: O Lord, save the king, and hear us on the day when we call upon Thee!

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: The righteous cried and the Lord heard them, and delivered them out of all their troubles.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

The Lord said: "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'" [Luke 16:19-31]

The Lord said to his disciples: "Beware of people, for they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be a time for you to bear testimony. Settle it therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and kinsmen and friends, and some of you they will put to death; you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives. [Luke 21:12-19]

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! Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the upright! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

AFTER COMMUNION

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