

Hymns and Readings for Sunday 24th November 2024

22nd Sunday after Pentecost ♦ Afterfeast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple ♦ The Holy Great Martyr Catherine of Alexandria

THE HOURS

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE THIRD HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Great Martyr Catherine; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Resurrection

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE SIXTH HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Entrance of the Theotokos; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Great Martyr Catherine

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 5

[Music on website / Green Book page10]

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born for our salvation from the Virgin;
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,
to endure death,
and to raise the dead//
by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion of the Entrance in Tone 4

[Music on website / Sheet]

Today is the prelude of the good will of God,
of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.
The Virgin appears in the Temple of God,
in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.
Let us rejoice and sing to her:
"Rejoice, O Fulfilment//
of the Creator's dispensation!"

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 Saint Catherine in Tone 4

[Music on website / Sheet]

By thy virtues as by rays of the sun thou didst enlighten the unbelieving philosophers,
and like the most bright moon thou didst drive away the darkness of disbelief from those walking in
the night;
thou didst convince the queen, and didst also chastise the tyrant,
God-summoned bride, blessed Catherine.
Thou didst hasten with desire to the heavenly bridal chamber of the fairest Bridegroom Christ,
and thou wast crowned by Him with a royal crown;//
Standing before Him with the Angels, pray for us who keep thy most sacred memory!

Kontakion of the Resurrection in Tone 5

[Music on website / Green Book page10]

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Saviour,
shattering its gates as Almighty,
resurrecting the dead as Creator,
and destroying the sting of death.
Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man, //
and we cry to Thee: "O Lord, save us!"

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.

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

Kontakion of Catherine in Tone 2

[Music on website / Sheet]

Let all of us who love to honour the martyrs
form a great choir in praise of the most wise Catherine,
for she preached Christ and trampled the serpent, //
despising the knowledge of the orators.

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

Kontakion of the Entrance in Tone 4

[Music on website / Sheet]

The most pure Temple of the Savior;
the precious Chamber and Virgin;
the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,
is presented today to the house of the Lord.
She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,
therefore, the angels of God praise her: //
"Truly this woman is the abode of Heaven!"

THE TRISAGION

PROKEIMENA

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fifth Tone.

Reader: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

Choir: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

Reader: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

Choir: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

Reader: And in the Fourth Tone.

Reader: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.

Choir: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.

EPISTLE

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

Ye Brethren: See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this

rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen. [Galatians 6:11-18]
Ye 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. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. [Ephesians 6:10-17]

ALLELUIA

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

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

Reader: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

At that time: A ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour your father and mother.'" And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God." [Luke 18:18-27]

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]

ZADOSTOYNIK

[Music on website / White Book page 33]

The angels beheld the entrance of the Pure One and were amazed.

How has the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies?

As thou art a living Temple of God

let no impure hand touch thee, O Theotokos.

But let the lips of all believers sing,

constantly magnifying thee in joy

with the angelic salutation:

"Truly, thou art above all creatures, O Pure One!"

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.

AFTER THE DISMISSAL

The Memorial Service (Mnimosino; Panikhida; Parastas) will be sung for the late Archbishop Gregorios of blessed memory (+ 20th November 2019)
