

4th Sunday after Pentecost, July 21, 2024

At the THIRD Hour and at the SIXTH Hour

Troparion at the Third Hour, after Psalm 50:

Tone 3, Troparion, (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice. Let the earth be glad. For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of Hades, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Tone 2, Troparion, (Prophet Ezekiel)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

We celebrate the memory of Thy prophet Ezekiel, O Lord; through him we beseech Thee: "Save our souls."

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

• *Theotokion at the Third Hour: "O Theotokos; thou art the true vine..."*



Troparion at the Sixth Hour, after Psalm 90:

Tone 3, Troparion, (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice. Let the earth be glad. For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of Hades, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Tone 4, Troparion, (Sts. Simeon and John)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

O God of our Fathers, always act with kindness towards us; take not Thy mercy from us, but guide our lives in peace through the prayers of Venerable Simeon and John.

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

• *Theotokion at the Sixth Hour: "As we have no boldness..."*



Kontakion at the Third Hour and at the Sixth Hour after the Trisagion Prayers

Tone 3, Resurrection

Amen. On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

Then: "Lord, have mercy" (40)

At the Divine Liturgy

The Litany of Peace, the Typical Psalms, then the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12):

On the Beatitudes, eight troparia from the Oktoechos in the Tone of the Week (Tone 3):

In Thy Kingdom remember us, O Lord, when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

(8) From paradise didst Thou drive our forefather Adam, who had broken Thy commandment, O Christ; but, O Compassionate One, Thou didst cause to dwell therein the thief who confessed Thee on the cross, crying out: "Remember me, O Savior, in Thy kingdom."

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

(7) With the curse of death didst Thou condemn us who had sinned, O Lord, Bestower of life; yet having suffered in Thy flesh, O sinless Master, Thou hast granted life unto mortals who cry out: "Remember us also in Thy kingdom."

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God.

(6) In rising from the dead, Thou hast raised us up from the passions with Thyself through Thy resurrection, O Lord; and all the power of death hast Thou destroyed, O Savior. Wherefore, with faith we cry out to Thee: "Remember us also in Thy kingdom."

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

(5) O Thou who as God grantest life, by Thy three days in the tomb Thou didst raise up with Thyself the dead in Hades, and as One Who is good Thou hast poured forth incorruption upon all of us who with faith ever cry out: "Remember us also in Thy kingdom."

Blessed are you when men shall revile you and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake.

(4) Risen from the dead, O Savior, Thou didst first appear to the myrrh-bearing women, crying out: "Rejoice." and through them Thou didst announce Thy resurrection to Thy friends, O Christ. Wherefore, with faith we cry out to Thee, "Remember us also in Thy kingdom."

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven.

(3) Moses, stretching out his arms on the mountain, prefigured the Cross and thus conquered Amalek. And, receiving it with faith as a mighty weapon against the demons, we all cry out: "Remember us also in Thy kingdom."

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

(2) O ye faithful, let us hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the one God, the one Lord, as from a single Sun; for the Trinity is thrice-luminous and enlightening all who cry out: "Remember us also in Thy kingdom."

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

(1) Rejoice, O portal of God, through which the incarnate Creator passed without breaking thy seal. Rejoice, thou illumined cloud which bore Christ, the divine Rain. Rejoice, ladder and throne of heaven. Rejoice, honored mountain of God, fruitful and unquarried.



Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. *(Psalm 148:1)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

As the Faithful receive Holy Communion

PRIEST: In the fear of God, with faith, and love, draw near.

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us.

Receive the Body of Christ, taste the Fountain of immortality.

O Benefactor, grant the gift and grace of the Spirit unto me who desire to praise Ezekiel Thy prophet.

Having had noetic ascents, the sacred Ezekiel was an eye-witness of ineffable things, and illumined by the glory of the Lord.

Having set thy life aright and made the uprising of thy flesh subject to thy mind, thou hast been revealed to be a God-pleasing prophet.

Having achieved the mortification of the passions, O glorious one, as a prophet thou didst behold, and write beforehand of the resurrection of the dead.

Showing mercy to His creation, O thou who wast divinely revealed, God made thee manifest as divine understanding for the erring.

The effulgence of the Godhead Who sitteth upon the cherubim, O glorious and divinely eloquent one, made thee radiant, having appeared to Thee.

The hand of thy Master, the Almighty, rested on thee, teaching thee ineffable things and illumining thee with divine precepts.

When thou wast deemed worthy to behold divine visions, thou didst fall prostrate in awe, and hear the voice of the divine Spirit.

The scroll placed by the hand of the Lord in thy mouth sweetened thy heart, O excellent one, and made thee a prophet of God.

O blessed and God-pleasing Ezekiel, by thy words thou hast instructed all sinners to turn from their ways.

The prophet emulated the Lord in all things; for he made entreaty concerning the sins of others.

Receive the Body of Christ, taste the Fountain of immortality.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.