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# The Service of Matins

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Pentecostarion - On Tuesday of Bright Week at Matins

Menaion - April 25 St. Mark

Katavasias of Pascha

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#### Pentecostarion

**Bright Tuesday** 

#### Menaion

## April 25

Memory of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark.

#### **MATINS**

#### **PRIEST**

Glory to the holy and consubstantial, and life giving, and undivided Trinity, always, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

#### **PRIEST**

# Mode pl. 1.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs... [GOA]

#### **CHOIR**

...He has granted life.

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Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs... [GOA]

#### **CHOIR**

...He has granted life.

#### **PRIEST**

**Verse 1:** Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered, and let those who hate Him flee from before His face.

#### **CHOIR**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [COA]

#### **PRIEST**

**Verse 2:** As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish, as wax melts before the fire.

#### **CHOIR**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [COA]

#### **PRIEST**

**Verse 3:** So shall the sinners perish from the face of God. And let the righteous be glad.

#### **CHOIR**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [COA]

#### **PRIEST**

**Verse 4:** This is the day the Lord made; let us greatly rejoice and be glad therein.

#### **CHOIR**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

#### **PRIEST**

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

#### **CHOIR**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [COA]

#### **PRIEST**

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

#### **CHOIR**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [COA]

#### **PRIEST**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death... [GOA]

#### **CHOIR**

...and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

## **DEACON**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For the peace from above and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For the peace of the whole world, for the stability of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For this holy house and for those who enter it with faith, reverence, and the fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For pious and Orthodox Christians, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For (episcopal rank) (name), for the honorable presbyterate, for the diaconate in Christ, and for all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our country, for the president, and for all in public service, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For this city, and for every city and land, and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For those who travel by land, sea, and air, for the sick, the suffering, the captives and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Commemorating our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

#### **PRIEST**

For to You belong all glory, honor, and worship, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. (*Amen*.)

From Pentecostarion - - -

#### READER

# Hypakoe. Mode 4.

When the women with Mary had come before dawn, and they found that the stone had been rolled away from the sepulcher, they heard from the Angel, "Why do you seek among the dead, as a mortal man, the One who exists in everlasting light? See the grave clothes in the sepulcher. Run and proclaim to the world that the Lord has risen and put death to death; for He is the Son of God who saves the human race."

From Pentecostarion - - -

# Kontakion of Pascha. Mode pl. 4.

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

#### Oikos.

The women bringing ointments came in haste at deep dawn, seeking as day the Sun who was before the sun and yet had set in a sepulcher. They cried to one another, "O friends, come let us anoint with spices the lifebearing yet buried Body, the flesh that raises fallen Adam, lying as it is in the grave. Let us go, let us hurry like the Magi, and adore Him, and offer the ointments, as if gifts, to Him who is wrapped, not in swaddling but grave

clothes. And let us weep and cry out, 'Arise, O Master, who to the fallen grant resurrection.'

## Kontakion. For the Evangelist.

From Menaion - - -

**Mode 2.** *In seeking the heights.* 

Receiving the grace of the Holy Spirit from on high, O Apostle, you cut through the philosophers' web of words, and you drew the nations all in your net, and brought them to the Master, O famous Evangelist Mark, as you preached the divine Gospel. [5D]

#### Oikos.

You became the disciple of Peter, the Paramount Apostle, and along with him you preached Christ the Son of God, and you established on the rock of the truth those who were shaken by error. Establish me also on that rock, and guide the steps of my soul, so that delivered from the snares of the enemy and with nothing to impede me, I may glorify you. For you illumined everyone, O wise Evangelist Mark, as you preached the divine Gospel. [5D]

## Synaxarion.

#### From the Menaion.

On April 30 we commemorate the holy and glorious Apostle James, the brother of St. John the Theologian.

On this day we also commemorate our devout father Clement the ecclesiastical poet.

On this day we also commemorate the holy Martyr Maximus.

On this day we also commemorate the finding of the relices of the holy Hieromartyr Vasilefs, Bishop of Amasia.

On this day we also commemorate our father among the saints Donatus, Bishop of Euroia.

On this day the holy Neo-martyr Argyri, who confessed Christ in Constantinople and was tortured for it, died in prison in the year 1725.

On this day we commemorate the holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark.

By their holy intercessions, O God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ, let us worship the holy Lord Jesus, the only sinless one. Your Cross, O Christ, we venerate, and Your holy Resurrection we praise and glorify. For You are our God; apart from You we know no other; we call upon Your name. Come, all faithful, let us venerate the holy Resurrection of Christ; for behold, through the Cross, joy has come to the whole world. Ever blessing the Lord, let us praise His Resurrection; for having endured the Cross for us, He destroyed death by death. (3)

Jesus, having risen from the grave as He foretold, has granted us eternal life and great mercy. (3)

#### **CHOIR**

# Katavasias of Pascha Ode i. Mode 1.

Resurrection Day! O peoples, let us brilliantly shine! \* Pascha, the Lord's Pascha! \* For Christ our God has out of death \* passed us over into life, \* and likewise from earth \* to heaven, as we now sing \* unto Him a triumphal hymn. [5D]

#### Ode iii.

Come and let us drink a new drink, \* not one marvelously issuing from a barren rock, \* but one that Christ from the tomb \* pours out, incorruption's very source. \* For we are established in Him. [5D]

#### Ode iv.

Now let Habakkuk as a God-inspired prophet stand with us, \* keeping his divine watch, and show us \* the angelic messenger, who, shining, utters glowingly, \* "Today, for the world is salvation,\* because arisen is Christ, being omnipotent." [5D]

#### Ode v.

Arising at dawn very early, \* instead of ointment, a hymn let us offer unto the Master, \* and then we shall clearly see\* Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, \* causing true life to arise for all. [5D]

#### Ode vi.

You went down to the nether regions of earth, \* and You broke apart the bars that forever \* were closed on those who were held there, O Christ. \* From the sepulcher, \* as did Jonah from the whale, \* You arose on the third day. [SD]

#### Ode vii.

The same One who delivered the Lads from fire, becoming a mortal man, \* suffers in the flesh; and by His Passion He arrays \* mortal nature with majesty, free of all \* corruption, the only God of the fathers, \* blessed and supremely glorious.

#### Ode viii.

We praise and we bless and we worship the Lord.

This is it, the Day which is chosen and holy, \* Day One of the Sabbaths. \* It is the queen-day, the Lord's Day, \* and the Feast of all feasts, \* and the Festival above every festival, \* on which we extol Christ and bless Him to the ages.

#### **DEACON**

Let us honor and magnify in song the Theotokos and the Mother of the light.

#### **CHOIR**

From Pentecostarion - -

# Canon of Pascha. Ode ix. Heirmos. Mode 1.

O my soul, magnify Him who willingly suffered, was buried, and arose from the grave on the third day.

Be illumined, illumined, O New Jerusalem; \* for the glory of the Lord has arisen over you. \* Dance now for joy, O Zion, and exult. \* And you be merry, O pure Theotokos, \* at the arising of the One you bore.

O my soul, magnify Christ who is the Giver of life, and who rose from the grave on the third day.

Be illumined, illumined, O New Jerusalem; \* for the glory of the Lord has arisen over you. \* Dance now for joy, O Zion, and exult. \* And you be merry, O pure Theotokos, \* at the arising of the One you bore.

## Troparia.

Christ is the new Pascha, the sacrificial Victim, the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.

Divine and beloved and sweetest utterance of Yours! \* For You really and truly pledged that You will be with us \* unto the end of the age, O Christ. \* And we the faithful, clinging to Your promise, \* our anchor of hope, rejoice.

Today creation all is exultant and rejoices, for Christ has arisen, and Hades was despoiled.

O Pascha, the great and most sacred Passover, O Christ, \* You the wisdom and Logos and the power of God: \* Grant that we may more distinctly partake of You \* on that day that has no evening in Your kingly rule.

## Canon for the Evangelist.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 1. Burning, yet remaining.

Apostle of Christ, intercede for us.

Now that you attained the very source
\* of the tri-solar light, which is unattainable,
\* you experience incomprehensible theosis \*
and more clearly and fully delight in it. \* You
dance now with the Angels, \* sacred revealer
of things divine [SD]

Apostle of Christ, intercede for us.

You were Peter's partner in the work \* of sacred teaching and of preaching the Gospel word. \* Now along with him you go about in the heavenly \* tabernacles, and with him you intercede \* on our behalf, O blessed \* Apostle Mark and the spokesman of God. [50]

### Glory.

Mark, you were illumined by the light \* of grace divine, and therefore proclaimed it piously \* that united is the three-fold light of the only God, \* and yet strangely is also a Trinity. \* We earnestly entreat you \* to ever intercede on our behalf. [5D]

#### Both now. Theotokion.

Mark, the most august Apostle, was \* a gift to the Egyptians, to be their hierarch. \* Egypt is where Christ, the Lord of glory, had visited, \* being born in the flesh of the Virgin pure, \* the holy Theotokos. \* And we extol Him and we magnify.

## Katavasia.

The Angel cried aloud to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again I say Rejoice. Your Son has truly risen from the grave on the third day.

Be illumined, illumined, O New Jerusalem; \* for the glory of the Lord has arisen over you. \* Dance now for joy, O Zion, and exult. \* And you be merry, O pure Theotokos, \* at the arising of the One you bore.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. (3)

Jesus, having risen from the grave as He foretold, has granted us eternal life and great mercy. [SD]

#### **DEACON**

Again and again, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Commemorating our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

#### **PRIEST**

For all the powers of heaven praise You and give You glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

#### **CHOIR**

## Exaposteilarion. Of Pascha.

From Pentecostarion - - -

#### Mode 2. Automelon.

When You had slumbered in the flesh as one mortal, O King and Lord, You rose again on the third day, and raised up Adam from decay and rendered death of no effect. Pascha of incorruption, salvation of the world.

#### For the Evangelist.

From Menaion - - -

## **Mode 3.** O Logos, light unaltered.

You were enriched with sonship \* to Peter the great Apostle; \* thereafter before all others, \* O Mark, first for the Egyptians, \* you wrote down the Holy Gospel, \* through which the world is illumined. [5D]

# Exaposteilarion. Of Pascha.

From Pentecostarion - - -

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decay and rendered death of no effect. Pascha of incorruption, salvation of the world.

#### Lauds. Mode 3.

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. It is fitting to sing a hymn to You, O God. [SAAS]

Praise Him, all you His angels; praise Him, all you His hosts. It is fitting to sing a hymn to You, O God. [SAAS]

From Pentecostarion - - -

# Resurrectional Stichera. Sticheron 1. Mode 3.

To fulfill among them the written judgment: this glory have all His holy ones. [SAAS]

O come, all you nations. Know the power of the awe-inspiring mystery. For Christ our Savior, the Logos who was in the beginning, voluntarily for us was crucified and buried, and He rose from the dead to save the universe. Let us worship Him. [5D]

#### Sticheron 2. Mode 3.

Praise God in His saints; praise Him in the firmament of His power. [SAAS]

Those who guarded You reported all the marvelous events, O Lord. However the Sanhedrin of futility filled their hands with gifts, thinking that in this way they could hide Your resurrection, which the world glorifies. Have mercy on us. [5D]

#### Sticheron 3. Mode 3.

Praise Him for His mighty acts; praise Him according to the abundance of His greatness. [SAAS]

The universe was filled with joy in the experience of Your resurrection. Mary Magdalene came unto the tomb and found an Angel sitting upon the stone. With his garments flashing like lightning, he said to her, "Why do you seek among the dead the One who is alive? He is not here, but has risen as He said, and is going before you to Galilee."

## For the Evangelist.

From Menaion - - -

## **Mode 1.** *O Martyrs, extolled.*

Praise Him with the sound of trumpet; praise Him with the harp and lyre. [SAAS]

The bright star of Egypt, holy Mark, \*
being the most-excellent and all-wise preacher
of God the Word, and also the divine \* author
of the Gospel, \* be extolled by us today \* with
sacred and divine songs and melodies; for he
beseeches Christ, \* interceding that surpassing
peace \* and great mercy \* be upon our souls
bestowed. [SD]

Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him with strings and flute. [SAAS]

Becoming an author of divine \* dogmas of the Savior Christ, you thus illumined the universe, all-wise one, having preached \* of His incarnation \* and His sufferings divine, \* His holy resurrection and the ascension to His Father God, \* O Apostle; and the nations all \* you attracted \* to the knowledge of the truth.

Praise Him with resounding cymbals; praise Him with triumphant cymbals; let everything that breathes praise the Lord. [SAAS]

O Mark, the Apostle of the Lord, \* you were a devoted follower of Peter the most divine; \* and when you had believed \* his inspired teachings, \* you illumined peoples by the Holy Spirit's grace, being wise in all, enlightening the minds \* of Egyptians to

believe in Christ, \* and adorning \* their city with piety. [50]

From Pentecostarion - - -

# Stichera of Pascha. Mode pl. 1.

**Verse 1:** Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered, and let those who hate Him flee from before His face.

Today a sacred Pascha has been revealed to us; a Pascha new and holy, a Pascha mystical, a Pascha all-venerable, Pascha, the Redeemer Christ himself; a Pascha that is blameless, a Pascha that is great, a Pascha of believers, a Pascha that has opened for us the gates of Paradise, a Pascha that sanctifies believers all. [5D]

**Verse 2:** As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish, as wax melts before the fire.

Come now from that sight, O you women and heralds of good news, and say to Zion, "Receive from us the joyful tidings of the Resurrection of Christ. O Jerusalem, be exultant, dance and leap for joy, for you have witnessed Christ the King coming forth as a Bridegroom from the sepulcher."

**Verse 3:** So shall the sinners perish from the face of God. And let the righteous be glad.

The myrrh-bearing women at dawn very early, standing outside the tomb of the Giver-of-Life, found an Angel who was seated upon the stone. And the Angel addressed them, and this is what he said, "Why do you seek among the dead the One who is alive? Why do you grieve as though corruptible the Incorrupt? So go back and proclaim it to His Disciples."

**Verse 4:** This is the day the Lord made; let us greatly rejoice and be glad therein.

Pascha of delight! Pascha, the Lord's Pascha! A Pascha all venerable has risen for us. Pascha! With joy let us embrace one another. Pascha, the ransom from sorrow! Today from the sepulcher Christ emerged resplendently as from a bridal chamber, and the women He filled with joy, saying, "Proclaim this to the Apostles." [5D]

Glory. For the Evangelist.

From Menaion - - -

# Mode pl. 2.

Grace was poured upon your lips, O
Apostle Mark, and you became a shepherd of
the Church of Christ, teaching the reasonable
sheep to believe in the Trinity, coessential, in
one Divinity. [SD]

Both now. Of Pascha.

From Pentecostarion - -

# Mode pl. 1.

It is the day of the Resurrection. Let us shine brightly for the festival, and also embrace one another. Brethren, let us say even to those who hate us, "Let us forgive everything for the Resurrection." And thus let us cry aloud, "Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life." [5D]

From Pentecostarion - - -

# Mode pl. 1.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. (3) [GOA]

#### **DEACON**

Wisdom.

(Father, bless!)

#### **PRIEST**

Blessed are You, Christ our God, always now and forever and to the ages of ages. (*Amen.*)

Make firm, Lord our God, the holy and pure faith of the pious Orthodox Christians, together with the Holy Church and this city forever.

#### READER

Amen.

Be illumined, illumined, O New Jerusalem; \* for the glory of the Lord has arisen over you. \* Dance now for joy, O Zion, and exult. \* And you be merry, O pure Theotokos, \* at the arising of the One you bore.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Lord, have mercy. (3) Father, bless!

#### **PRIEST**

May He Who rose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and all-immaculate holy Mother, the power of the precious and life-giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable, glorious prophet and forerunner John the Baptist, of the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy apostles, of the holy, glorious, and triumphant martyrs, of our righteous and God-bearing fathers, (local patron saint); of the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, the holy and glorious Apostle and Evangelist Mark, whose memory we celebrate, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

Let us forgive everything for the Resurrection, And thus let us cry aloud:

Christ is risen!

#### **PEOPLE**

Truly He is risen!

#### **PRIEST**

Christ is risen!

#### **PEOPLE**

Truly He is risen!

#### **PRIEST**

Christ is risen!

### **PEOPLE**

Truly He is risen!

#### **PRIEST**

Glory to His holy Resurrection on the third day!

#### **PEOPLE**

We worship His Resurrection on the third day!

#### **PRIEST**

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

#### **PEOPLE**

Truly the Lord is risen!