

**Menaion - January 6**

The Holy Epiphany of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ.

**LITURGY OF ST. BASIL**

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**Antiphon I. Mode 2. Psalm 113.**

**Verse 1:** *In the exodus of Israel from Egypt, the house of Jacob.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

**Verse 2:** *Judah became His sanctuary.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

**Verse 3:** *The sea saw them and fled, the Jordan turned back.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

**Verse 4:** *What is it to you, O Sea, that you fled, and to you, O Jordan, that you turned back?* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

Glory. Both now.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

**Antiphon II. Mode 2. Psalm 114.**

**Verse 1:** *I have loved, because the Lord shall hear the voice of my supplication.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were baptized in the Jordan by John. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Verse 2:** *For He inclined His ear to me, and in my days I shall call upon Him.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were baptized in the Jordan by John. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Verse 3:** *The pains of death surrounded me; the dangers of Hades found me.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were baptized in the Jordan by John. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Verse 4:** *The Lord is merciful and righteous, and our God has mercy.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were baptized in the Jordan by John. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

*Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.* [HC]

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.* [HC]

Only begotten Son and Logos of God, being immortal, You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and, without change, became man. Christ, our God, You were crucified and conquered death by death. Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: Save us. [GOA]

**Antiphon III. Mode 1. Psalm 117.**

**Verse 1:** *Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.* [SAAS]

**Verse 2:** *Let the house of Israel say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever.* [SAAS]

**Verse 3:** *Let the house of Aaron say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever.* [SAAS]

**Verse 4:** *Let all who fear the Lord say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever.* [SAAS]

**Apolytikion of the Feast. Mode 1.**

As You were baptized in the Jordan, O Lord, then the worship of the Trinity became manifest, for the voice of the Father bore witness to You, naming You the Beloved Son; and the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the certainty of the word. O Christ God, who appeared and illumined the world, glory to You. [SD]

**Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us Save us, O Son of God, who were baptized in the Jordan by John. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Hymns After the Small Entrance.**

**Apolytikion.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 1.**

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**Kontakion.**

**Mode 4. Automelon.**

You appeared today to us \* on earth, O Master, \* and Your light was signed on us \* who cry aloud to You and say \* with understanding, O Christ our God: You came and shone forth, O Light unapproachable. [SD]

**INSTEAD OF HOLY GOD**

You who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ, Alleluia. (3) [GOA]

*Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.*

Have put on Christ. Alleluia.

**The Epistle**

For the Feast.

**Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 117.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. [SAAS]

**Verse:** *Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.* [SAAS]

The reading is from Paul's Letter to Titus.

(2:11-14; 3:4-7)

Titus, my son, the grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men, training us to renounce irreligion and worldly passions, and to live sober, upright, and godly lives in this world, awaiting our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of the great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because

of deeds done by us in righteousness, but in virtue of his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit, which he poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life. [RSV]

**Alleluia. Mode 1. Psalm 28.**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 1:** *Bring to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in His holy court.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 2:** *The voice of the Lord is strong; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**The Gospel**

*For the Feast.*

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

(3:13-17)

At that time, Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, he went up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting on him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." [RSV]

**Hymn to the Theotokos.**

In you, O Lady full of grace, rejoices all creation, the orders of Angels and the human race together. O hallowed temple and rational Garden of Paradise, the pride of virgins, from you did God become incarnate, and our God who existed before the ages became a child. For He made your womb a throne for himself, and your body He made wider than the heavens. In you, O Lady full of grace, rejoices all creation. Glory to you. [SD]

**Communion Hymn.**

The grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men. Alleluia. [RSV]

**Hymn after Holy Communion.**

**Instead of "We have seen."**

**Mode 1.**

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**THE DISMISSAL**

May He who condescended to be baptized by John in the Jordan, for our salvation, 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, and of all the saints, have  
mercy on us and save us, for He is good and  
loves mankind.

**Fasting Rule**

*Fast Free: All foods allowed.*

*It is a major feast.*