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**Pentecostarion - Sunday of the Paralytic
at Matins**

Katavasias of Pascha

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Pentecostarion

Sunday of the Paralytic

From Octoechos - - -

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode 3.

MATINS

CHOIR

Mode 3.

God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. [SAAS]

Verse 1: *Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name.*

or: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

Verse 2: *All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the Lord I defended myself against them.*

Verse 3: *And this came about from the Lord, and it is wonderful in our eyes.*

From Octoechos - - -

Resurrectional Apolytikion.

Mode 3.

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy. [SD]

Glory. **Repeat.**

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy. [SD]

Unto you who mediated the salvation of our race we sing praises, O Virgin Theotokos. For your Son and our God in the flesh that He assumed from you accepted suffering by means of crucifixion and has thereby set us free from corruption, in His love for man. [SD]

PRIEST

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.)

For Yours is the dominion, and Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

From Octoechos - - -

CHOIR

Kathisma I.

Mode 3.

Christ has risen from the dead, the first of those who have fallen asleep. The Artificer of all things that were made was first born before all creation; now He has renewed the corrupted nature of our human race in himself. O Death, you no longer have

dominion, for the Master of all has destroyed your power. [SD]

Glory.

When You had physically tasted death, O Lord, You curtailed its bitterness by Your resurrection, and You strengthened humanity against it, by reversing the failure related to the primal curse, O Defender of our life. Glory to You, O Lord. [SD]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Automelon.

Seeing how beautiful was your virginity, * and how your purity shone forth resplendently, * amazed was Gabriel who cried to you thus, O Theotokos: * "What shall I present to you * as a worthy encomium? * What shall I address you as? * At a loss and perplexed am I. * And therefore I, as ordered, cry out to you: * Rejoice, O Maiden full of grace!" [SD]

From Pentecostarion - -

Kathisma II.

Mode 3. *Seeing how beautiful.*

Appropriating all our human attributes, * deigning to make Your own all that belonged to us, * O my Creator, it was Your good pleasure to be crucified. * Thus, O Master, You preferred * to submit, as a man, to death, * so that You might liberate * humankind out of death, as God. * And therefore we cry out to You, Life-Giver, * Glory to Your compassion, O Christ. [SD]

Glory.

Mode 3. *Seeing how beautiful.*

We the believers now theologize about * the inexplicable, incomprehensible * unspoken mystery of Your crucifixion and resurrection. * For today the realm of death and of Hades

has been despoiled, * and vested is the human race with incorruptibility. * And therefore in thanksgiving we cry aloud: * Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ. [SD]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

All beings heavenly with longing leapt for joy, * while everything on earth with trembling stood in awe, * when the immaculate voice came to you, O Theotokos. * And a single festival* brightly shone above and below, * for Your Son delivered from death * the man that He had fashioned first. * And therefore with the Angel we cry to you, * "Rejoice, O pure and Virgin Mother." [SD]

Resurrectional Evlogetaria.

Mode pl. 1.

Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your statutes.

When the hosts of the Angels saw how You were accounted among the dead, they all marveled. You, O Savior, are the One who destroyed the might of death; and when You arose You raised Adam with yourself and from Hades liberated everyone. [SD]

Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your statutes.

"Why do you mingle the ointments with your tears full of pity, O women disciples?" Thus the Angel who was shining in the tomb cried to the myrrh-bearing women. "See for yourselves the empty tomb and understand, that the Savior has risen from the sepulcher."

[SD]

Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your statutes.

Very early in the morning, the myrrh-bearing women were hastening to Your tomb lamenting. But the Angel appeared to them and uttered, "The time for lamentation has ended; weep no more. Go announce the Resurrection to the Apostles." [SD]

Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your statutes.

When the myrrh-bearing women had come with their spices to Your sepulcher, O Savior, they heard the voice of an Angel clearly speaking to them, "Why do you account among the dead the One who lives? For as God, He has risen from the sepulcher." [SD]

Glory.

We bow down in worship to the Father and His Son and the Holy Spirit, the Holy Trinity, one in essence; and we cry aloud with the Seraphim: Holy, Holy, Holy are You, O Lord. [SD]

Both now.

Giving birth to the Giver of life, O Virgin, you delivered Adam from sin, and to Eve you have rendered joy in place of sorrow. He who from you became incarnate, God and man, has directed to life him who fell from it. [SD]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Glory to You, O God. (3)

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 blessed is your name, and glorified is your kingdom, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

READER

From Octoechos - -

Hypakoe. Mode 3.

Astounding in appearance, refreshing by the words he spoke, the flashing Angel said to the myrrh-bearing women: Why do you look in a tomb for the Living One? He is risen and has emptied the tombs. Know Him, the unchanging Changer of corruption. Say to God: How awesome are Your works! For You have saved the human race. [SD]

CHOIR

Anavathmoi.

Antiphon I. Mode 3.

You rescued the captivity of Zion out of Babylon, O Logos; do also draw me up from the passions to life. [SD]

Those who sow shedding godly tears when the south wind is blowing, joyously will harvest ears of life everlasting. [SD]

Glory. Both now.

In the Holy Spirit, as in the Father and the Son, radiates intrinsically every gift of goodness. And in Him all things both live and move. [SD]

Antiphon II.

Unless the Lord build the house of the virtues, in vain do we labor. But if He protect the soul, no one can conquer our city. [SD]

O Christ the Fruit of the womb, by the Spirit are the saints forever as adopted sons to You as to a father. [SD]

Glory. Both now.

In the Holy Spirit are perceived all holiness and wisdom, for He gives substance to all creation. Since He is God, let us worship Him, as we do the Father and Logos. [SD]

Antiphon III.

Those who fear the Lord are blessed: they will walk in the ways of the commandments; for they will eat every kind of vivifying produce. [SD]

Gazing on your offspring round about your table bearing branches of good works, be glad, O arch-pastor. [SD]

Glory. Both now.

With the Holy Spirit is all the wealth of glory. From Him issue grace and life to all creation, for He is extolled with the Father and the Logos. [SD]

Prokeimenon.

Say among the Gentiles, "The Lord is King, for He established the world, which shall not be shaken." (2)

Verse: *Oh, sing a new song to the Lord.*

Say among the Gentiles, "The Lord is King, for He established the world, which shall not be shaken." [SAAS]

READER

Kontakion.

From Pentecostarion - - -

Mode 3. *On this day.*

I have sinned in every way, * I have improperly acted; * therefore with paralysis * my soul is woefully stricken. * Raise it up, O Lord, through Your own divine attention, * even as of old You raised up the paralytic, * so that saved I may cry, Glory to Your dominion, O my compassionate Christ. [SD]

Oikos.

You hold the wide world in the palm of Your hand, O Jesus God - with the Father without origin, and with the Holy Spirit, master over all things. You appeared in the flesh, curing diseases; and You drove away passions, and gave sight to the blind; and by Your divine word You raised up the Paralytic, commanding him suddenly to walk and take up the pallet on which he lay. Therefore, along with him we all extol You and cry out, Glory to Your dominion, O my compassionate Christ. [SD]

Synaxarion.

From the Menaion.

On May 19 we commemorate the holy Hieromartyr Patrick, Bishop of Prusa, and those with him: Akakios, Menander, and Polyaeus.

On this day we also commemorate our righteous Father Memnon the Wonder-worker.

On this day we also commemorate the holy Martyr Acoluthus.

The holy Martyr Kyriake died by fire.

The holy Martyr Theotima died by the sword.

From the Pentecostarion.

On this day, the fourth Sunday of Pascha, we remember the Paralytic, and appropriately celebrate the miracle worked on him.

Verses

The word of the Christ was a brace for the Paralytic. Thus, his cure by mere utterance was accomplished.

In Your infinite mercy, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

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. [SD]

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. [SD]

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." [SD]

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. [SD]

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. [SD]

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. [SD]

DEACON

Let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

PRIEST

For you are holy, our God, who rest among the Saints, and to you we give glory,

to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever and to the ages of ages.

CHOIR

Amen.

Mode 2.

Let everything that breathes praise the
Lord. (2) Let everything that breathes praise
the Lord. [SAAS]

DEACON

Let us pray to the Lord our God that we
may be made worthy to hear the holy Gospel.

*(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord,
have mercy.)*

DEACON

Wisdom. Arise. Let us hear the Holy
Gospel.

PRIEST

Peace be with all.

(And with your spirit.)

PRIEST

The reading is from the Holy Gospel
according to Luke.

DEACON

Let us be attentive.

(Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.)

PRIEST (from the altar table)

Eothinon 5.
24:13-35

At that time, [Peter rose and ran to the
tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the
linen cloths by themselves; and he went home
wondering at what had happened. That very
day] two of them were going to a village
named Emmaus, about seven miles from
Jerusalem, and talking with each other about
all these things that had happened. While

they were talking and discussing together,
Jesus Himself drew near and went with them.
But their eyes were kept from recognizing
Him. And He said to them, "What is this
conversation which you are holding with
each other as you walk?" and they stood
still, looking sad. Then one of them, named
Cleopas, answered Him, "Are you the only
visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the
things that have happened there in these
days?" And He said to them, "What things?"
And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus
of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty
in deed and word before God and all the
people, and how our chief priests and rulers
delivered Him up to be condemned to death,
and crucified Him. But we had hoped that
He was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and
besides all this, it is now the third day since
this happened. Moreover, some women of
our company amazed us. They were at the
tomb early in the morning and did not find
His body; and they came back saying that they
had even seen a vision of angels, who said that
He was alive. Some of those who were with
us went to the tomb, and found it just as the
women had said; but Him they did not see."
And He said to them, "O foolish men, and
slow of heart to believe all that the prophets
have spoken! Was not it necessary that the
Christ should suffer these things and enter
into this glory?" And beginning with Moses
and all the prophets, He interpreted to them
in all the scriptures the things concerning
Himself. So they drew near to the village
to which they were going. He appeared to
be going further, but they constrained Him,
saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening

and the day is now far spent." So He went in to stay with them. When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized Him; and He vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread. [RSV]

(Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.)

READER

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. [GOA]

CHOIR

Psalm 50 (51).

Mode 2. *(or the Mode of the week)*

[Merciful,] Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression.

Wash me thoroughly from my lawlessness and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my lawlessness, and my sin is always before me.

Against You only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight; that You may be justified in Your words, and overcome when You are judged.

For behold, I was conceived in transgressions, and in sins my mother bore me.

Behold, You love truth; You showed me the unknown and secret things of Your wisdom.

You shall sprinkle me with hyssop, and I will be cleansed; You shall wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow.

You shall make me hear joy and gladness; my bones that were humbled shall greatly rejoice.

Turn Your face from my sins, and blot out all my transgressions.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your guiding Spirit.

I will teach transgressors Your ways, and the ungodly shall turn back to You.

Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall greatly rejoice in Your righteousness.

O Lord, You shall open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

For if You desired sacrifice, I would give it; You will not be pleased with whole burnt offerings.

A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit, a broken and humbled heart God will not despise.

Do good, O Lord, in Your good pleasure to Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built.

Then You will be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with offerings and whole burnt offerings.

Then shall they offer young bulls on Your altar. And have mercy on me, O God. [SAAS]

Glory.

At the intercession of the Apostles, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. [SD]

Both now.

At the intercession of the Theotokos, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. [SD]

Verse: *Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression.*

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

DEACON

O God, save your people and bless your inheritance. Look upon your world with mercy and compassion. Raise the Orthodox Christians in glory, and send down upon us your rich mercies, through the intercessions of our most pure Lady the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary, the power of the precious

and life giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless Powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable and glorious prophet, and forerunner John the Baptist, the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy Apostles, our Fathers among the Saints, the great hierarchs and ecumenical teachers, Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, Athanasios, Cyril, and John the Merciful, patriarchs of Alexandria; Nicholas, bishop of Myra, Spyridon, bishop of Trimythous, Nektarios of Pentapolis, the wonder-workers; the holy, glorious great Martyrs George the Victorious, Demetrios the Myrobletes, Theodore the Teron, and Theodore the General, Menas the Wonderworker, the Hieromartyrs Haralambos and Eleftherios; the holy, glorious, and victorious martyrs; the glorious great Martyr and all-laudable Euphemia; the holy and glorious Martyrs Thecla, Barbara, Anastasia, Katherine, Kyriake, Fotene, Marina, Paraskeve and Irene; of our holy God-bearing Fathers; (**local patron saint**); the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, and of all your Saints. We beseech you, only merciful Lord, hear us sinners who pray to you and have mercy on us.

CHOIR

Lord, have mercy. (12)

PRIEST

Through the mercy, compassion, and love of mankind of your only-begotten Son, with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

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. [SD]

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. [SD]

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. [SD]

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.

[SD]

For the Theotokos.

Same Mode. Be illumined.

Glory.

O my soul, magnify the power of the Godhead, that is three hypostases and also undivided.

With one voice, O Virgin, we the believers call you blest. * O rejoice, You the Lord's gate; city animate, rejoice. * Lady, rejoice, for today the light * of the resurrection from the dead of the Son * whom You have borne, has shone on us. [SD]

Both now.

Rejoice, blessed Virgin; rejoice, O glorified one. Rejoice, your Son has risen from the grave on the third day.

Be glad and exultant, divine gate of the light. * For your Son, namely Jesus, having set within the tomb, * rose and is shining more brightly than the sun, * and He has fully illumined all the faithful, * O Lady full of the grace of God. [SD]

Ode ix. Katavasia. Mode 1.

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. [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

Mode 2.

Holy is the Lord our God. (2) [SAAS]

Holy is the Lord our God. Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at the footstool of His feet.

For He is holy.

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. [SD]

For the Paralytic.

From Pentecostarion - - -

Mode 2. O Women, hearken.

The Lord, who loves humanity * and is compassionate towards all, * appeared today at Bethsaida, * the Sheep Pool, to cure diseases. * And there He found a man who had * been lying there for many years. * And He cried out to him and said, * "Arise and take up your pallet, * go forth and walk on straight ways." [SD]

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]

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you stars and light.

Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters above the heavens. Let them praise the Lord's name.

For He spoke, and they were made; He commanded, and they were created.

He established them forever and unto ages of ages; He set forth His ordinance, and it shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you dragons and all the deeps.

Fire and hail, snow and ice, stormy wind, which perform His word.

Mountains and all the hills, fruitful trees and all cedars.

Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds.

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth.

Young men and maidens, elders with younger,
let them praise the Lord's name, for His name alone is
exalted.

His thanksgiving is in earth and heaven. And He
shall exalt the horn of His people.

A hymn for all His saints, for the children of Israel,
a people who draw near to Him.

Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the
assembly of His holy ones.

Let Israel be glad in Him who made him, and let
the children of Zion greatly rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with dance; with
tambourine and harp let them sing to Him.

For the Lord is pleased with His people, and He
shall exalt the gentle with salvation.

The holy ones shall boast in glory, and they shall
greatly rejoice on their beds.

The high praise of God shall be in their mouth and
a two-edged sword in their hand.

To deal retribution to the nations, reproving
among the peoples.

To shackle their kings with chains and their nobles
with fetters of iron. [SD]

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

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

From Pentecostarion - -

Resurrectional Stichera.

Sticheron 1. Mode 3.

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

Sticheron 2. Mode 3.

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

Sticheron 3. Mode 3.

*Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise
Him with strings and flute.* [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."
[SD]

Sticheron 4. Mode 3.

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

In Your light we will see light, O Master
who loves humanity; for You have risen from
the dead, and You granted salvation to the
human race, so that all creation may glorify
You, only sinless One. Have mercy on us. [SD]

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. [SD]

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." [SD]

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." [SD]

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." [SD]

Glory.

From Pentecostarion - - -

Mode pl. 4.

Lord, it was not the pool that cured the Paralytic, but rather it was Your word that renewed him. Not even his chronic ailment could impede it; for the energy of Your voice proved to be more potent. He threw off the oppressive burden, and carried the weight of his bed, as testimony of Your abundant mercies. Glory to You. [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." [SD]

Great Doxology

Glory be to You who showed the light. Glory in the highest to God. His peace is on earth, His good pleasure in mankind. [SD]

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to You for Your great glory.

Lord King, heavenly God, Father, Ruler over all; Lord, only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and You, O Holy Spirit.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, You who take away the sins of the world.

Accept our supplication, You who sit at the right hand of the Father, and have mercy on us.

For You alone are holy, You alone are Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day I will bless You, and Your name will I praise to eternity, and to the ages of ages.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day, that we be kept without sin.

Blessed are You, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name to the ages. Amen.

Let Your mercy be on us, O Lord, as we have set our hope on You.

Blessed are You, O Lord. Teach me Your statutes.

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Lord, You have been our refuge from generation to generation. I said: Lord, have mercy on me. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You.

Lord, I have fled to You. Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God.

For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we shall see light.

Continue Your mercy to those who know You.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3)

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

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

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

After the Doxology, sing the following Resurrectional Troparion.

Mode 4. *(or the Mode of the week)*

Today has salvation come to pass in the world. Let us sing to Him who resurrected from the tomb and is the Author of our life. For, destroying death by death, He gave us the victory and the great mercy. [SD]