

November 17

Octoechos - Mode pl. 1.

On Sunday Morning

LITURGY

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Antiphon I. Mode 2.

Verse 1: *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and everything within me, bless His holy name.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 2: *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His rewards.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Verse 3: *The Lord prepared His throne in heaven, and His Kingdom rules over all.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

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

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

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Antiphon II. Mode 2.

Verse 1: *Praise the Lord, O my soul! I shall praise the Lord while I live; I shall sing to my God as long as I exist.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 2: *Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob; his hope is in the Lord his God.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Verse 3: *The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, to all generations.* [SAAS]

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

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

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 pl. 1.

Verse 1: *This is the day the Lord made; let us greatly rejoice and be glad therein.* [SAAS]

Resurrectional Apolytikion.

Mode pl. 1. Automelon.

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate * with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born * for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. * For in His goodness He was pleased * to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, * and to raise up those who had died, * by His glorious Resurrection. [SD]

Verse 2: *Let heaven and earth praise Him.*

[SAAS]

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An optional alternative to the Antiphons are the Typika (Psalms 102 and 145), and the Beatitudes with the appointed troparia, which are provided here.

Psalm 102.

Psalm 145.

The Beatitudes.

Mode pl. 1.

In Your kingdom. Remember us, O Lord, when You come in Your 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 for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Resurrectional.

From Octoechos - - -

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. [RSV]

When the robber had believed * that You the crucified were truly God, * he wholeheartedly and sincerely confessed You, * and he cried aloud to You, O Christ, "In Your kingdom, remember me." [SD]

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

Crucified upon the tree * of the Cross, He blossomed life for our race, * and He dried up the curse from the tree, as our Savior; * whom, as our Creator, let us all in unison extol in song. [SD]

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

By Your death, O Christ our Lord, * You released us from the power of death, * and raised with yourself those who had died from the ages; * for You are our Savior and true God, whom all now extol in song. [SD]

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [RSV]

Pious women came at dawn * to Your sepulcher, O Giver of life, * for they wanted to anoint You with fragrant ointments. * An Angel appeared to them and said, "The Lord has arisen indeed." [SD]

Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely [for my sake]. [RSV]

When You were crucified, O Lord, * between two convicted robbers, O Christ, * the one was justly condemned for he unjustly blasphemed You, * but the other, for confessing You, is dwelling in Paradise. [SD]

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven. [RSV]

The pious women ran and found * the Apostles who were hiding in fear, * and they announced to them that indeed Christ had risen. * He is our Creator and our Lord. Therefore let us worship Him. [SD]

Glory.

Our Savior and our very God * we extol You, Father and Son * and the Holy Spirit, omnipotent, omnific, * Trinity and Unity, at once distinct and indivisible. [SD]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Rejoice, living temple of God, * rejoice, O
impassable gate, * and throne that is fiery and
yet not burning. * Rejoice, holy Mother of the
Lord Emmanuel Christ our God. [SD]

Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen
from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Hymns After the Small Entrance.

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Apolytikion.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 4.

By your accomplishments, you earned
the name that you bore, for you were vigilant
in prayer and diligent in working miracles.
Therefore, holy father Gregory, intercede with
Christ our God, that He illumine our souls,
lest we fall asleep in sin unto death. [SD]

Apolytikion of the Parish Church

(The text of the Apolytikion of the local
church goes here.)

From Menaion - - -

Kontakion.

Mode 4. *You who were lifted.*

The Savior's most pure and immaculate
temple, the very precious bridal chamber and
Virgin, who is the sacred treasure of the glory
of God, on this day is introduced into the
House of the Lord, and with herself she brings
the grace in the divine Spirit. She is extolled

by the Angels of God. A heavenly tabernacle
is she. [SD]

THE TRISAGION HYMN

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

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.

The Epistle

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 1. Psalm 11.

You shall guard us, O Lord; You shall
preserve us. [SAAS]

Verse: *Save me, O Lord, for the holy man has
ceased.* [SAAS]

Gal. 6:11-18

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. [RSV]

Alleluia. Mode pl. 1. Psalm 88.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: *O Lord, I will sing of Your mercies
forever.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2: *For You said, "Mercy shall be built
up forever."* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel

Ninth Sunday of Luke

Lk. 12:16-21

The Lord said this parable: "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." As he said these things, he cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." [RSV]

Hymn to the Theotokos.

It is truly right to bless you, Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure, and Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, without corruption you gave birth

to God the Logos. We magnify you, the true Theotokos. [GOA]

Communion Hymn. Psalm 148.

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. [SAAS]

Hymn after Holy Communion. Mode 2.

We have seen the true light; we have received the heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshiping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us. [GOA]

THE DISMISSAL

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, and our Father among the Saints Gregory the Wonderworker, Bishop of Neocaesarea, whose memory we celebrate; and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

Fasting Rule

Fish: fish, oil and wine are allowed. Refrain from meat, dairy and eggs.

It is the Christmas fast.