

April 21

Triodion

Palm Sunday

LITURGY

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Antiphon I. Mode 2. Psalm 114.

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

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

Verse 2: *The pains of death surrounded me; the dangers of Hades found me.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 3: *I found affliction and grief. Then I called upon the Lord's name.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 4: *I shall be well pleasing before the Lord in the land of the living.* [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 115.

Verse 1: *I believed; therefore, I spoke; I was greatly humbled.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 2: *What shall I give back to the Lord for all He rendered to me?* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 3: *I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 4: *I shall pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

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 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.

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord." [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 sat on a donkey's colt. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Hymns After the Small Entrance.

Apolytikion.

From Triodion - - -

Mode 1.

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You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord." [SD]

Another.

Mode 4.

We were buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, and thus by Your Resurrection we have been granted immortal life, and extolling You we cry aloud, "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One who comes in the name of the Lord." [SD]

From Triodion - - -

Kontakion.

Mode pl. 2. Automelon.

In heaven upon the throne, on earth upon the colt, * You were carried, O Christ our God; * and the praise of the Angels, and the hymns of the children, You received as they cried to You, * "Blessed are You, the One, who is coming to call Adam back again." [GKD]

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

PALM SUNDAY

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 the Philippians.

4:4-9

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you. [RSV]

Alleluia. Mode 1. Psalm 97.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: *Sing a new song to the Lord, for He did wondrous things.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2: *All the ends of the earth saw the salvation of our God.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel

Palm Sunday

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to John.

12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary

took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. [RSV]

Hymn to the Theotokos.

Mode 4.

God is the Lord, and He appeared to us. * O Christians, appoint a feast, and with exultant joy * come and let us magnify the Christ, * waving our palm-leaves and branches, crying aloud in hymns: * "Blessed is the One who comes * in the name of the Lord our Savior." [SD]

Communion Hymn. Psalm 117.

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

Selected Psalm Verses for Palm Sunday

1. O Lord, our Lord, how wondrous is Your name in all the earth. (8:2) [SAAS]
2. For Your splendor is exalted far beyond the heavens. (8:2) [SAAS]
3. From the mouths of babies and nursing infants You prepared praise. (8:3) [SAAS]
4. Because of Your enemies, that You may destroy the enemy and avenger. (8:3) [SAAS]
5. You rebuke the nations, and the ungodly man destroys himself. (9:6) [SAAS]
6. The stone the builders rejected, the same became the head of the corner. (117:22) [SAAS]
7. This came about from the Lord, and it is wonderful in our eyes. (117:23) [SAAS]
8. The Lord is great in Zion, and He is exalted above all the peoples. (98:2) [SAAS]
9. Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah greatly rejoiced. (96:8) [SAAS]

10. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion. (147:1) [SAAS]

11. To declare the Lord's name in Zion, and His praise in Jerusalem. (101:22) [SAAS]

12. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. (117:26) [SAAS]

13. Appoint a feast for yourselves, decked with branches, even to the horns of the altar. (117:27) [SAAS]

14. You are my God, and I will give thanks to You; You are my God, and I shall exalt You. (117:28) [SAAS]

15. Sing to the Lord who dwells in Zion. (9:12) [SAAS]

16. That I may proclaim all Your praises in the gates of the daughter of Zion. (9:15) [SAAS]

17. Who will bring about the salvation of Israel out of Zion? (13:7) [SAAS]

18. In the courts of the Lord's house, in your midst, O Jerusalem. (115:9) [SAAS]

19. The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, to all generations. (145:10) [SAAS]

20. His praise continues unto ages of ages. (110:10) [SAAS]

Hymn after Holy Communion.

Instead of "We have seen."

Mode 1.

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are

You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord." [SD]

THE DISMISSAL

May He who condescended to sit on the colt of a donkey, 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

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

It is a major feast.