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ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν πάντοτε, νῦν
καὶ αἰεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Ἀμήν.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν
Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν αὐτῷ, Χριστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ καὶ
Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Ψαλμὸς ΡΓ' (103).

Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχὴ μου, τὸν Κύριον.
Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου ἐμεγαλύνθης σφόδρα.
Ἐξομολόγησιν καὶ μεγαλοπρέπειαν
ἐνεδύσω, ἀναβαλλόμενος φῶς ὡς ἱμάτιον.
Ἐκτείνων τὸν οὐρανὸν ὥσει δέρριν, ὁ
στεγάζων ἐν ὕδασι τὰ ὑπερῶα αὐτοῦ.
Ὅ τιθεὶς νέφη τὴν ἐπίβασιν αὐτοῦ, ὁ
περιπατῶν ἐπὶ πτερύγων ἀνέμων. Ὁ
ποιῶν τοὺς Ἀγγέλους αὐτοῦ πνεύματα,
καὶ τοὺς λειτουργοὺς αὐτοῦ πυρὸς
φλόγα. Ὁ θεμελιῶν τὴν γῆν ἐπὶ τὴν
ἀσφάλειαν αὐτῆς, οὐ κλιθήσεται εἰς τὸν
αἰῶνα τοῦ αἰῶνος. Ἄβυσσος ὡς ἱμάτιον
τὸ περιβόλαιον αὐτοῦ, ἐπὶ τῶν ὀρέων
στήσονται ὕδατα. Ἀπὸ ἐπιτιμῆσεώς
σου φεύξονται, ἀπὸ φωνῆς βροντῆς
σου δειλιάσουσιν. Ἀναβαίνουσιν ὄρη,
καὶ καταβαίνουσι πεδιά εἰς τόπον, ὃν
ἐθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Ὅριον ἔθου, ὃ οὐ
παρελεύσονται, οὐδὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι
καλύψαι τὴν γῆν. Ὁ ἐξαποστέλλων
πηγὰς ἐν φάραγξιν, ἀνάμεσον τῶν ὀρέων
διελεύσονται ὕδατα· ποτιοῦσι πάντα τὰ

PRIEST

Blessed is our God always, now and ever,
and to the ages of ages.

READER

Amen.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Christ God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Him, Christ our King and God.

Psalms 103 (104).

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my
God, You are magnified exceedingly; You
clothe Yourself with thanksgiving and
majesty, Who cover Yourself with light as
with a garment, Who stretch out the heavens
like a curtain; You are He Who covers His
upper chambers with water, Who makes the
clouds His means of approach, Who walks
on the wings of the winds, Who makes His
angels spirits and His ministers a flame of
fire. He established the earth on its stable
foundation; It shall not be moved unto ages of
ages. The deep like a garment is His covering;
the waters shall stand upon the mountains;
at Your rebuke they shall flee; at the sound
of Your thunder, they shall be afraid. The
mountains rise up, and the plains sink down
to the place You founded for them. You set
a boundary they shall not pass over; neither
shall they return to cover the earth. You are
He Who sends springs into the valley; the
waters shall pass between the mountains; they
shall give drink to all the wild animals of the

θηρία τοῦ ἀγροῦ, προσδέξονται ὄναγροι εἰς δίψαν αὐτῶν. Ἐπ' αὐτὰ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατασκηνώσει, ἐκ μέσου τῶν πετρῶν δώσουσι φωνήν. Ποτίζων ὄρη ἐκ τῶν ὑπερώων αὐτοῦ, ἀπὸ καρποῦ τῶν ἔργων σου χορτασθήσεται ἡ γῆ. Ὁ ἐξανατέλλων χόρτον τοῖς κτήνεσι, καὶ χλόην τῇ δουλείᾳ τῶν ἀνθρώπων. Τοῦ ἐξαγαγεῖν ἄρτον ἐκ τῆς γῆς, καὶ οἶνος εὐφραίνει καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου. Τοῦ ἱλαρύναι πρόσωπον ἐν ἐλαίῳ, καὶ ἰ ἄρτος καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου στηρίζει. Χορτασθήσεται τὰ ξύλα τοῦ πεδίου, αἱ κέδροι τοῦ Λιβάνου, ἃς ἐφύτευσας. Ἐκεῖ στρουθία ἐννοσσεύσουσι, τοῦ ἐρωδιοῦ ἡ κατοικία ἡγεῖται αὐτῶν. Ὅρη τὰ ὑψηλὰ ταῖς ἐλάφοις, πέτρα καταφυγὴ τοῖς λαγωαῖς. Ἐποίησε σελήνην εἰς καιροῦς, ὁ ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἐθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ, ἐν αὐτῇ διελεύσονται πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ δρυμοῦ. Σκύμνοι ὠρυόμενοι τοῦ ἀρπαῖσαι, καὶ ζητῆσαι παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ βρώσιν αὐτοῖς. Ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος, καὶ συνήχθησαν, καὶ εἰς τὰς μάνδρας αὐτῶν κοιτασθήσονται. Ἐξελεύσεται ἄνθρωπος ἐπὶ τὸ ἔργον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν ἐργασίαν αὐτοῦ ἕως ἑσπέρας. Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε, πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας, ἐπληρώθη ἡ γῆ τῆς κτίσεώς σου. Αὕτη ἡ θάλασσα ἡ μεγάλη καὶ εὐρύχωρος, ἐκεῖ ἐρπετὰ ὧν οὐκ ἔστιν ἀριθμός, ζῶα μικρὰ μετὰ μεγάλων. Ἐκεῖ πλοῖα διαπορεύονται, δράκων οὗτος, ὃν ἔπλασας ἐμπαίζειν αὐτή. Πάντα πρὸς σὲ προσδοκῶσι, δοῦναι τὴν τροφήν αὐτῶν εἰς εὐκαιρον, δόντος σου αὐτοῖς συλλέξουσιν. Ἀνοίξαντός σου τὴν χεῖρα, τὰ σύμπαντα πλησθήσονται χρηστότητος, ἀποστρέψαντος δέ σου τὸ πρόσωπον,

field; the wild asses shall quench their thirst; the birds of heaven shall dwell beside them; they shall sing from the midst of the rocks. You are He Who waters the mountains from His higher places; the earth shall be satisfied with the fruit of Your works. You are He Who causes grass to grow for the cattle, and the green plant for the service of man, to bring forth bread from the earth; and wine gladdens the heart of man, to brighten his face with oil; and bread strengthens man's heart. The trees of the plain shall be full of fruit, the cedars of Lebanon, which You planted; there the sparrows shall make their nests; the house of the heron takes the lead among them. The high mountains are for the deer; the cliff is a refuge for the rabbits. He made the moon for seasons; the sun knows its setting. You established darkness, and it was night, wherein all the wild animals of the forest will prowl about; the young lions roar and snatch their prey, and seek their food from God. The sun arises, and they are gathered together; and they shall be put to bed in their dens. Man shall go out to his work and to his labor until evening. O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom; the earth was filled with Your creation. There is this great and spacious sea: the creeping things are there without number; the living things are there, both small and great; there the ships pass through; there is this dragon You formed to play therein. All things wait upon You, that You may give them food in due season. When You give it to them, they shall gather it; when You open Your hand, all things shall be filled with Your goodness. But when You turn Your face

ταραχθήσονται. Ἀντανελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῶν, καὶ ἐκλείψουσι, καὶ εἰς τὸν χοῦν αὐτῶν ἐπιστρέψουσιν. Ἐξαποστελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα σου, καὶ κτισθήσονται, καὶ ἀνακαινιεῖς τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γῆς. Ἦτω ἡ δόξα Κυρίου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας, εὐφρανθήσεται Κύριος ἐπὶ τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ. Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ποιῶν αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ὁ ἀπτόμενος τῶν ὀρέων, καὶ καπνίζονται. Ἄσω τῷ Κυρίῳ ἐν τῇ ζωῇ μου, ψαλῶ τῷ Θεῷ μου ἕως ὑπάρχω. Ἦδυνθείη αὐτῷ ἡ διαλογία μου, ἐγὼ δὲ εὐφρανθήσομαι ἐπὶ τῷ Κυρίῳ. Ἐκλείποιεν ἀμαρτωλοὶ ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς, καὶ ἄνομοι, ὥστε μὴ ὑπάρχειν αὐτοῦς. Εὐλόγει, ἡ ψυχὴ μου, τὸν Κύριον.

Ὁ ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἔθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ. Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε· πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἀγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Ἀλληλουῖα. Ἀλληλουῖα. Ἀλληλουῖα. Δόξα σοι ὁ Θεός. (ἐκ γ')

Ἡ ἐλπίς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἐν εἰρήνῃ τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς ἁνωθεν εἰρήνης καὶ τῆς σωτηρίας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

away, they shall be troubled; when You take away their breath, they shall die and return again to their dust. You shall send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. Let the glory of the Lord be forever; the Lord shall be glad in His works; He looks upon the earth and makes it tremble; He touches the mountains, and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing to my God as long as I exist; may my words be pleasing to Him, and I shall be glad in the Lord. May sinners cease from the earth, and the lawless, so as to be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. (SAAS)

The sun knows its setting. You established darkness, and it was night. O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom.

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

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

Our hope, O Lord, glory to You.

DEACON

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς εἰρήνης τοῦ σύμπαντος
κόσμου, εὐσταθείας τῶν ἁγίων τοῦ Θεοῦ
Ἐκκλησιῶν καὶ τῆς τῶν πάντων ἐνώσεως,
τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἁγίου οἴκου τούτου, καὶ τῶν
μετὰ πίστεως, εὐλαβείας καὶ φόβου Θεοῦ
εἰσιόντων ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ βαθμοῦ)
ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος), καὶ καὶ τοῦ τιμίου
πρεσβυτερίου, τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ διακονίας,
παντὸς τοῦ κλήρου καὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, τοῦ
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἔθνους ἡμῶν, καὶ πάσης
ἀρχῆς καὶ ἐξουσίας ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου
δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς πόλεως ταύτης, πάσης
πόλεως, χώρας καὶ τῶν πίστει οἰκούντων ἐν
αὐταῖς, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ εὐκρασίας ἀέρων, εὐφορίας τῶν
καρπῶν τῆς γῆς, καὶ καιρῶν εἰρηνικῶν, τοῦ
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ πλεόντων, ὁδοιπορούντων,
νοσούντων, καμνόντων, αἰχμαλώτων καὶ
τῆς σωτηρίας αὐτῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ῥυσθῆναι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ πάσης
θλίψεως, ὀργῆς, κινδύνου καὶ ἀνάγκης, τοῦ
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ
διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

For peace in 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 our (episcopal rank) (name), the
honorable presbyters, the deacons in the
service of Christ, and all the clergy and laity,
let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

For favorable weather, an abundance of
the fruits of the earth, and temperate seasons,
let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and
protect us, O God, by your grace.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχράντου,
ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης
ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας
μετὰ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες,
ἐαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν
ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ
προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ
Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς
αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἦχος πλ. δ'.

Κύριε ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν
μου, εἰσάκουσόν μου, Κύριε. Κύριε,
ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν μου·
πρόσχες τῇ φωνῇ τῆς δεήσεώς μου, ἐν τῷ
κεκραγέναι με πρὸς σέ. Εἰσάκουσόν μου,
Κύριε.

Κατευθυνθήτω ἡ προσευχή μου, ὡς
θυμίαμα ἐνώπιόν σου, ἔπαρσις τῶν χειρῶν
μου θυσία ἑσπερινή. Εἰσάκουσόν μου,
Κύριε.

Θοῦ, Κύριε, φυλακὴν τῷ στόματί μου, καὶ θύραν
περιοχῆς περὶ τὰ χεῖλη μου.

Μὴ ἐκκλίνης τὴν καρδίαν μου εἰς λόγους
πονηρίας, τοῦ προφασίζεσθαι προφάσεις ἐν
ἀμαρτίαις.

Σὺν ἀνθρώποις ἐργαζομένοις τὴν ἀνομίαν, καὶ
οὐ μὴ συνδυάσω μετὰ τῶν ἐκλεκτῶν αὐτῶν.

Παιδεύσει με δίκαιος ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἐλέγξει με,
ἔλαιον δὲ ἀμαρτωλοῦ μὴ λιπανάτω τὴν κεφαλὴν
μου.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Remembering our most holy, pure,
blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos
and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let
us commit 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 the Son and the
Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages
of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Mode pl. 4.

Lord, I have cried to You; hear me. Hear
me, O Lord. Lord, I have cried to You; hear
me. Give heed to the voice of my supplication
when I cry to You. Hear me, O Lord. (SAAS)

Let my prayer be set forth before You
as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the
evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord. (SAAS)

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, a door of
enclosure about my lips.

Incline not my heart to evil words, to make
excuses in sins.

With men who work lawlessness; and I will not
join with their choice ones.

The righteous man shall correct me With mercy,
and he shall reprove me; But let not the oil of the sinner
anoint my head.

Ὅτι ἔτι καὶ ἡ προσευχή μου ἐν ταῖς εὐδοκίαις αὐτῶν· κατεπόθησαν ἐχόμενα πέτραι οἱ κριταὶ αὐτῶν.

Ἀκούσονται τὰ ῥήματά μου, ὅτι ἡδύνθησαν· ὡσεὶ πάχος γῆς ἐρράγη ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, διεσκορπίσθη τὰ ὀστᾶ αὐτῶν παρὰ τὸν ἄδην.

Ὅτι πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ μου· ἐπὶ σοὶ ἤλπισα, μὴ ἀντανέλης τὴν ψυχὴν μου.

Φύλαξόν με ἀπὸ παγίδος ἧς συνεστήσαντό μοι, καὶ ἀπὸ σκανδάλων τῶν ἐργαζομένων τὴν ἀνομίαν.

Πεσοῦνται ἐν ἀμφιβλήστρῳ αὐτῶν οἱ ἀμαρτωλοί· κατὰ μόνας εἰμὶ ἐγὼ ἕως ἂν παρέλθω.

Φωνῇ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐκέκραξα, φωνῇ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐδεήθην.

Ἐκχεῶ ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ τὴν δέησίν μου, τὴν θλίψίν μου ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ ἀπαγγελῶ.

Ἐν τῷ ἐκλείπειν ἐξ ἐμοῦ τὸ πνεῦμά μου, καὶ σὺ ἔγνωσ τὰς τρίβους μου.

Ἐν ὁδῷ ταύτῃ, ἣ ἐπορευόμην, ἔκρυψαν παγίδα μοι.

Κατενόουν εἰς τὰ δεξιὰ, καὶ ἐπέβλεπον, καὶ οὐκ ἦν ὁ ἐπιγινώσκων με.

Ἀπώλετο φυγὴ ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ὁ ἐκζητῶν τὴν ψυχὴν μου.

Ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, Κύριε εἶπα· Σὺ εἶ ἡ ἐλπίς μου, μερίς μου εἶ ἐν γῇ ζώντων.

Πρόσχεες πρὸς τὴν δέησίν μου, ὅτι ἐταπεινώθην σφόδρα.

Ῥῥασαί με ἐκ τῶν καταδιωκόντων με, ὅτι ἐκραταιώθησαν ὑπὲρ ἐμέ.

Ἐξάγαγε ἐκ φυλακῆς τὴν ψυχὴν μου, τοῦ ἐξομολογήσασθαι τῷ ὀνόματί σου.

Ἐμὲ ὑπομενοῦσι δίκαιοι, ἕως οὐ ἀνταποδῶς μοι.

Ἐκ βαθέων ἐκέκραξά σοι, Κύριε. Κύριε, εἰσάκουσον τῆς φωνῆς μου.

Γενηθήτω τὰ ὦτά σου προσέχοντα εἰς τὴν φωνὴν τῆς δεήσεώς μου.

For my prayer shall be intense in the presence of their pleasures. Their judges are swallowed up by the rock.

They shall hear my words, for they are pleasant. As a clod of ground is dashed to pieces on the earth, so [their] bones were scattered beside the grave.

For my eyes, O Lord, O Lord, are toward You; in You I hope; take not my soul away.

Keep me from the snares they set for me, and from the stumbling blocks of those who work lawlessness.

Sinners shall fall into their own net; I am alone, until I escape.

I cried to the Lord with my voice, with my voice I prayed to the Lord.

I shall pour out my supplication before Him; I shall declare my affliction in His presence.

When my spirit fainted within me, then You knew my paths.

For on the way I was going, they hid a trap for me.

I looked on my right, and saw there was no one who knew me.

Refuge failed me, and there was no one who cared for my soul.

I cried to You, O Lord; I said, "You are my hope, my portion in the land of the living."

Attend to my supplication, for I was humbled exceedingly.

Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are stronger than I.

Bring my soul out of prison to give thanks to Your name, O Lord.

The righteous shall wait for me, until You reward me.

Out of the depths I have cried to You, O Lord. O Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

Στιχηρά. Τοῦ Τριωδίου.

Τοῦ Τριωδίου - - -

Ἦχος πλ. δ'. Αὐτόμελον.

Ἐὰν ἀνομίας παρατηρήσης, Κύριε Κύριε,
τίς ὑποστήσεται; Ὅτι παρὰ σοὶ ὁ ἰλασμός
ἐστιν.

Δεῦτε ἅπαντες πιστοί, τὰς τῶν ὁσίων
Πατέρων, χορείας ὑμνήσωμεν, Ἀντώνιον
τὸν κορυφαῖον, τὸν φαεινὸν Εὐθύμιον,
καὶ ἕκαστον, καὶ πάντας ὁμοῦ, καὶ τούτων
ὥσπερ Παράδεισον, ἄλλον τρυφῆς, τὰς
πολιτείας νοητῶς διεξερχόμενοι, τερπνῶς
ἀνακράζωμεν. Ταῦτα τὰ ξύλα, ἃ ἐφύτευσεν
ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, τὰ αὐτά, τοὺς ἀφθάρτους
καρποὺς τῆς ζωῆς ἐξανθήσαντα,
προσῆγαγον τῷ Χριστῷ, ἐκτρέφοντα ἡμῶν
τὰς ψυχάς· πρὸς οὓς βοήσωμεν· Θεοφόροι
μακάριοι, πρεσβεύσατε, τοῦ σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Ἐνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου ὑπέμεινά σε,
Κύριε, ὑπέμεινεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου εἰς τὸν λόγον
σου. Ἦλπισεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.

Δεῦτε ἅπαντες πιστοί, τὰς τῶν ὁσίων
Πατέρων, χορείας ὑμνήσωμεν, Ἀντώνιον
τὸν κορυφαῖον, τὸν φαεινὸν Εὐθύμιον,
καὶ ἕκαστον, καὶ πάντας ὁμοῦ, καὶ τούτων
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τὰς ψυχάς· πρὸς οὓς βοήσωμεν· Θεοφόροι
μακάριοι, πρεσβεύσατε, τοῦ σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωΐας μέχρι νυκτός· ἀπὸ
φυλακῆς πρωΐας ἐλπισάτω Ἰσραὴλ ἐπὶ τὸν
Κύριον.

Χαῖρε Αἴγυπτε πιστή, χαῖρε Λιβύη ὁσία,
χαῖρε Θηβαῖς ἐκλεκτή, χαῖρε πᾶς τόπος, καὶ

Stichera. From the Triodion.

From Triodion - - -

Mode pl. 4.

*If You, O Lord, should mark transgression, O
Lord, who would stand? For there is forgiveness
with You. (SAAS)*

Come, all faithful! * Let us praise the
assemblies of holy fathers: * Anthony the
Great, Euthymius the Great, and all of their
company, * passing through their lives as
through a paradise of sweetness! * Let us
cry out with joy: * These are truly the trees
which our God has planted! * These are the
ripened fruits of eternal life, * offered to
Christ, nourishing our souls. ** Blessed, God-
bearing fathers, pray that we may be saved!
(OCA)

*Because of Your law, O Lord, I waited for
You; my soul waited for Your word. My soul
hopes in the Lord. (SAAS)*

Come, all faithful! * Let us praise the
assemblies of holy fathers: * Anthony the
Great, Euthymius the Great, and all of their
company, * passing through their lives as
through a paradise of sweetness! * Let us
cry out with joy: * These are truly the trees
which our God has planted! * These are the
ripened fruits of eternal life, * offered to
Christ, nourishing our souls. ** Blessed, God-
bearing fathers, pray that we may be saved!
(OCA)

*From the morning watch until night; from the
morning watch until night, let Israel hope in the
Lord. (SAAS)*

Rejoice, Egypt, land of faith! * Rejoice,
holy Libya, and the Thebaid chosen by God!

πόλις καὶ χώρα, ἢ τοὺς πολίτας θρέψασα,
τῆς Βασιλείας τῶν οὐρανῶν, καὶ τούτους
ἐν ἐγκρατεία, καὶ πόνοις αὐξήσασα, καὶ
τῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν, τελείους ἄνδρας τῷ Θεῷ,
ἀναδείξασα, οὗτοι, φωστῆρες τῶν ψυχῶν
ἡμῶν ἀνεφάνησαν, οἱ αὐτοὶ τῶν θαυμάτων
τῇ αἴγλῃ, καὶ τῶν ἔργων τοῖς τέρασιν,
ἐξέλαμψαν νοητῶς, εἰς τὰ πέρατα ἅπαντα.
Αὐτοῖς βοήσωμεν· Πατέρες παμμακάριστοι,
προσβεύσατε, τοῦ σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Ὅτι παρὰ τῷ Κυρίῳ τὸ ἔλεος καὶ πολλή
παρ' αὐτῷ λύτρωσις. Καὶ αὐτὸς λυτρώσεται
τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐκ πασῶν τῶν ἀνομιῶν αὐτοῦ.

Χαῖρε Αἴγυπτε πιστή, χαῖρε Λιβύη ὁσία,
χαῖρε Θηβαῖς ἐκλεκτή, χαῖρε πᾶς τόπος, καὶ
πόλις καὶ χώρα, ἢ τοὺς πολίτας θρέψασα,
τῆς Βασιλείας τῶν οὐρανῶν, καὶ τούτους
ἐν ἐγκρατεία, καὶ πόνοις αὐξήσασα, καὶ
τῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν, τελείους ἄνδρας τῷ Θεῷ,
ἀναδείξασα, οὗτοι, φωστῆρες τῶν ψυχῶν
ἡμῶν ἀνεφάνησαν, οἱ αὐτοὶ τῶν θαυμάτων
τῇ αἴγλῃ, καὶ τῶν ἔργων τοῖς τέρασιν,
ἐξέλαμψαν νοητῶς, εἰς τὰ πέρατα ἅπαντα.
Αὐτοῖς βοήσωμεν· Πατέρες παμμακάριστοι,
προσβεύσατε, τοῦ σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντα τὰ ἔθνη,
ἐπαινέσατε αὐτόν, πάντες οἱ λαοί.

Τίς ἐξείποι γηγενῶν, τοὺς θαυμαστοὺς
ὑμῶν βίους, Πατέρες παγκόσμιοι; ποία δὲ
γλῶσσα λαλήσει, τοὺς ἱεροὺς ἐν Πνεύματι
ἀγῶνας, καὶ ἰδρωτάς ὑμῶν, τὰ ἄθλα
τῶν ἀρετῶν, τὴν τηξίν τοῦ σώματος, τὰς
παλαιστράς τῶν παθῶν, ἐν ἀγρυπνίαις καὶ
εὐχαῖς, καὶ τοῖς δάκρυσιν, ὑμεῖς ἐν κόσμῳ,
ὥσπερ Ἄγγελοι ὄντως ὥφθητε, οἱ αὐτοί,
τὰς δαιμόνων δυνάμεις, τελείως καθείλετε,
τελέσαντες θαυμαστά, καὶ ἐξαίσια τέρατα.

* Rejoice, every place and country * which
has brought forth citizens of the kingdom
of heaven, * raising them in abstinence and
labor, * offering them to God as men perfect
in love. * They are stars guiding our souls, *
and by the brightness of their wonders and
the miracles they wrought, * they have shed
their spiritual light over all the earth. ** All-
blessed fathers, pray for our souls! (OCA)

*For with the Lord there is mercy, and with
Him is abundant redemption. And He will redeem
Israel from all his transgressions. (SAAS)*

Rejoice, Egypt, land of faith! * Rejoice,
holy Libya, and the Thebaid chosen by God!
* Rejoice, every place and country * which
has brought forth citizens of the kingdom
of heaven, * raising them in abstinence and
labor, * offering them to God as men perfect
in love. * They are stars guiding our souls, *
and by the brightness of their wonders and
the miracles they wrought, * they have shed
their spiritual light over all the earth. ** All-
blessed fathers, pray for our souls! (OCA)

*Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; praise Him,
all you peoples. (SAAS)*

Who among men can speak of the
perfection of your lives, holy fathers? * What
tongue can utter the sanctity of your efforts?
* The sufferings in virtue, the control of the
flesh? * The struggles with passions, in vigils,
in prayers and in tears! * Truly you were
angels while in the world. * You laid low
the highest powers of evil. * You performed
miraculous and wonderful signs. * Therefore

Διὸ πρεσβεύσατε, σὺν ἡμῖν παμμακάριστοι,
τυχεῖν ἡμᾶς τῆς ἀλήκτου χαρᾶς.

Ὅτι ἐκραταιώθη τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ ἐφ’
ἡμᾶς, καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια τοῦ Κυρίου μένει εἰς τὸν
αἰῶνα.

Τίς ἐξεῖποι γηγενῶν, τοὺς θαυμαστοὺς
ὕμνων βίους, Πατέρες παγκόσμιοι; ποία δὲ
γλῶσσα λαλήσει, τοὺς ἱεροὺς ἐν Πνεύματι
ἀγῶνας, καὶ ἰδρωτάς ὕμνων, τὰ ἄθλα
τῶν ἀρετῶν, τὴν τῆξιν τοῦ σώματος, τὰς
παλαιστράς τῶν παθῶν, ἐν ἀγρυπνίαις καὶ
εὐχαῖς, καὶ τοῖς δάκρυσιν, ὑμεῖς ἐν κόσμῳ,
ὥσπερ Ἄγγελοι ὄντως ὥφθητε, οἱ αὐτοί,
τὰς δαιμόνων δυνάμεις, τελείως καθείλετε,
τελέσαντες θαυμαστά, καὶ ἐξαίσια τέρατα.
Διὸ πρεσβεύσατε, σὺν ἡμῖν παμμακάριστοι,
τυχεῖν ἡμᾶς τῆς ἀλήκτου χαρᾶς.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Τριωδίου - - -

Ἦχος πλ. β’.

Τὸ κατ’ εἰκόνα, τηρήσαντες ἀλώβητον,
νοῦν ἡγεμόνα, κατὰ παθῶν ὀλεθρίων,
ἀσκητικῶς ἐνστησάμενοι, εἰς τὸ καθ’
ὁμοίωσιν ὡς δυνατὸν ἀνεληλύθατε·
ἀνδρικῶς γάρ τὴν φύσιν ἐκβιασάμενοι,
ἐσπεύσατε τὸ χεῖρον καθυποτάξαι τῷ
κρείττονι, καὶ τὴν σάρκα δουλώσαι
τῷ Πνεύματι ὅθεν μοναζόντων,
ἀνεδείχθητε ἀκρότης, πολισταὶ τῆς
ἐρήμου, εὐδρομούντων ἀλειπται, κανόνες
ἀρετῆς ἀκριβέστατοι. Καὶ νῦν ἐν οὐρανοῖς,
τῶν ἐσόπτρων λυθέντων Πανόσιοι,
καθαρῶς ἐποπτεύετε, τὴν ἁγίαν Τριάδα,
ἐντυγχάνοντες ἀμέσως, ὑπὲρ τῶν πίστει καὶ
πόθῳ τιμώντων ὑμᾶς.

pray with us, most blessed fathers, ** to gain
for our souls eternal joy! (OCA)

*For His mercy rules over us; and the truth of
the Lord endures forever. (SAAS)*

Who among men can speak of the
perfection of your lives, holy fathers? * What
tongue can utter the sanctity of your efforts?
* The sufferings in virtue, the control of the
flesh? * The struggles with passions, in vigils,
in prayers and in tears! * Truly you were
angels while in the world. * You laid low
the highest powers of evil. * You performed
miraculous and wonderful signs. * Therefore
pray with us, most blessed fathers, ** to gain
for our souls eternal joy! (OCA)

Glory.

From Triodion - - -

Mode pl. 2.

You preserved the image of God
undefiled. * By fasting, your minds ruled
the passions. * You attained to the greatest
possible likeness of God, * submitting the
lower to the higher, making the flesh serve the
spirit! * Therefore you were shown forth as
leaders of monks, * dwellers of the desert, the
refuge of those who sought God, * renowned
keepers of the precepts of Christ! * Now being
free of the veil, * in heaven you freely behold
the Holy Trinity, ** earnestly interceding for
those who honor you with faith and love! (OCA)

Τῆς Οκτωήχου ---

Καὶ νῦν. Ἦχος βαρύς.

Τὸ α' Θεοτοκίον τοῦ Ἦχου.

Μήτηρ μὲν ἐγνώσθης, ὑπὲρ φύσιν
 Θεοτόκε, ἔμεινας δὲ παρθένος, ὑπὲρ λόγον
 καὶ ἔννοιαν, καὶ τὸ θαῦμα τοῦ τόκου
 σου, ἐρμηνεῦσαι γλῶσσα οὐ δύναται·
 παραδόξου γὰρ οὔσης τῆς συλλήψεως
 Ἀγνή, ἀκατάληπτός ἐστιν ὁ τρόπος τῆς
 κυήσεως· ὅπου γὰρ βούλεται Θεός, νικᾶται
 φύσεως τάξις. Διὸ σε πάντες Μητέρα τοῦ
 Θεοῦ γινώσκοντες, δεόμεθά σου ἐκτενῶς.
 Πρέσβευε τοῦ σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

(Εἵσοδος οὐ γίνεται.)

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἀγίας δόξης, ἀθανάτου
 Πατρός, οὐρανίου, ἀγίου, μάκαρος, Ἰησοῦ
 Χριστέ, ἐλθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν ἡλίου δύσιν,
 ἰδόντες φῶς ἐσπερινόν, ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα,
 Υἱόν, καὶ ἅγιον Πνεῦμα Θεόν. Ἀξιόν σε ἐν
 παῶσι καιροῖς, ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς αἰσίαις,
 Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζωὴν ὁ διδούς· Διὸ ὁ κόσμος σὲ
 δοξάζει.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἑσπέρας Προκείμενον.

ΧΟΡΟΣ**Προκείμενον. Ἦχος βαρύς.**

Ὁ Θεός, ἀντιλήπτωρ μου εἶ. Τὸ ἔλεός
 σου προφθάσει με. (δίς)

From Octoechos ---

Both now. **Grave Mode.****The First Theotokion of the Mode.**

You were known to be a mother passing
 nature, O Theotokos, and still you remained a
 Virgin, in a way passing speech and thought.
 And no language is capable of explaining
 the wonder of your childbirth. O pure
 Maid, your conception was paradoxical,
 hence the manner of your pregnancy is also
 incomprehensible. For whenever God so
 wills, nature's order is overridden. Therefore,
 acknowledging you as the Mother of God,
 to you we all intently pray: Intercede for the
 salvation of our souls. (SD)

(No Entrance)

READER

Gladsome light of holy glory of the holy,
 blessed, heavenly, immortal Father, O Jesus
 Christ: arriving at the hour of sunset and
 having seen the evening light, we praise the
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God. It is worthy
 for You to be praised at all times with happy
 voices, O Son of God and Giver of life; and
 therefore the world glorifies You.

DEACON

The evening Prokeimenon.

CHOIR**Prokeimenon. Grave Mode.**

You are my protector, O God. Your mercy
 shall go before me. (2) (SAAS)

Στίχ. Ἐξελοῦ με ἐκ τῶν ἐχθρῶν μου, ὁ Θεός, καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἐπανισταμένων ἐπ' ἐμὲ λύτρωσαί με.

Ὁ Θεός, ἀντιλήπτωρ μου εἶ. Τὸ ἔλεός σου προφθάσει με.

ΤΑ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑΤΑ

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ἑσπέρας...

Τοῦ Τριωδίου - -

Η ΠΡΟΦΗΤΕΙΑ

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Προφητείας Ζαχαρίου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Σοφία! Πρόσχωμεν!

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

(Κεφ Η' 19-23)

Τάδε λέγει Κύριος Παντοκράτωρ·
Νηστεία ἡ τετάρτη, καὶ νηστεία ἡ πέμπτη,
καὶ νηστεία ἡ ἑβδόμη, καὶ νηστεία ἡ δεκάτη,
ἔσονται τῷ οἴκῳ Ἰούδα καὶ τῷ οἴκῳ Ἰσραὴλ,
εἰς χαρὰν καὶ εὐφροσύνην, καὶ εἰς ἑορτὰς
ἀγαθὰς, καὶ εὐφρανθήσεσθε, καὶ τὴν
ἀλήθειαν, καὶ τὴν εἰρήνην ἀγαπήσατε. Τάδε
λέγει Κύριος Παντοκράτωρ· Ἐτι ἤξουσιν
λαοὶ πολλοί, καὶ κατοικοῦντες πόλεις
πολλὰς, καὶ συνελεύσονται κατοικοῦντες
πέντε πόλεις εἰς μίαν πόλιν, λέγοντες·
Πορευθῶμεν δεηθῆναι τοῦ προσώπου
Κυρίου, καὶ ἐκζητῆσαι τὸ πρόσωπον Κυρίου
Παντοκράτορος ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ. Καὶ ἤξουσιν
λαοὶ πολλοί, καὶ ἔθνη πολλὰ, ἐκζητῆσαι
τὸ πρόσωπον Κυρίου Παντοκράτορος ἐν
Ἱερουσαλὴμ, καὶ ἐξιλάσασθαι τὸ πρόσωπον
Κυρίου. Τάδε λέγει Κύριος Παντοκράτωρ·
Ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις, ἐπιλήψονται δέκα
ἄνδρες ἐκ πασῶν τῶν γλωσσῶν τῶν ἐθνῶν,
καὶ ἐπιλήψονται τοῦ κρασπέδου ἀνδρός

Verse: Rescue me from my enemies, O God,
and redeem me from those Who rise up against me.

You are my protector, O God. Your mercy
shall go before me.

THE READINGS

PRIEST

The evening...

From Triodion - -

THE PROPHECY

READER

The reading is from the Prophecy of
Zechariah.

PRIEST

Wisdom! Let us be attentive!

READER

8:19-23

"Thus says the Lord Almighty: 'The
fourth-month fast, and the fifth-month fast,
and the seventh-month fast, and the tenth-
month fast shall be for joy and gladness and
in good feasts to the house of Judah. And
you will rejoice, and you will love truth
and peace.' Thus says the Lord Almighty:
'Yet many people will have come and those
inhabiting many cities; and the inhabitants
of five cities will come together to one city,
saying, "Let us go to beseech the Lord and to
seek out the face of the Lord Almighty; and I
will go also." And many peoples and many
nations will come to seek out the presence of
the Lord Almighty in Jerusalem and to obtain
the favor of the presence of the Lord.' Thus
says the Lord Almighty, 'In those days, if ten
men from all the tongues of the nations stop
you, even if they grab hold of the hem of a
Jewish man, they will be saying, "We will go
with you, for we heard God is with you."'" (SAAS)

Ιουδαίου, λέγοντες· Πορευσώμεθα μετὰ σου, διότι ἀκηκόαμεν, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς μεθ' ὑμῶν ἐστίν.

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Ἐλπισάτω Ἰσραὴλ ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον, ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν καὶ ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος.

Στίχ. Κύριε, οὐχ ὑψώθη ἡ καρδία μου, οὐδὲ ἐμετεωρίσθησαν οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου, οὐδὲ ἐπορεύθην ἐν μεγάλοις, οὐδὲ ἐν θαυμασίοις ὑπὲρ ἐμέ.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἐσπέρᾳ ταύτῃ, ἀναμαρτήτους φυλαχθῆναι ἡμᾶς. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων ἡμῶν, καὶ αἰνετὸν καὶ δεδοξασμένον τὸ ὄνομά σου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας. Ἀμήν. Γένοιτο, Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, καθάπερ ἠλπίσαμεν ἐπὶ σέ. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, δίδαξόν με τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Δέσποτα, συνέτισον μὲ τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Ἄγιε, φώτισόν με τοῖς δικαιώμασί σου. Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα· τὰ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου μὴ παρίδης. Σοὶ πρόπει αἶνος, σοὶ πρόπει ὕμνος, σοὶ δόξα πρόπει, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἐσπερινὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 2.

Let Israel hope in the Lord From this present time and unto the ages.

Verse: O Lord, my heart is not exalted, neither are my eyes raised up; Neither am I carried along in great things, nor in things too marvelous for me.

READER

O Lord, keep us this evening without sin. Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is your name to the ages. Amen. O Lord, let your mercy be upon us for we have set our hope in you. Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your commandments. Blessed are you, Master, grant me understanding of your commandments. Blessed are you, Holy One, enlighten me with your commandments. Lord, your mercy is forever. Do not despise the works of your hands. To you is due praise, to you is due song, to you is due glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. (HC)

(Amen.)

DEACON

Let us complete our evening prayer to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and protect us, O God, by your grace.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Τὴν ἐσπέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἀγίαν,
εἰρηνικὴν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον, παρὰ τοῦ
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Ἄγγελον εἰρήνης, πιστὸν ὁδηγόν,
φύλακα τῶν ψυχῶν καὶ τῶν σωμάτων
ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Συγγνώμην καὶ ἄφεσιν τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν
καὶ τῶν πλημμελημάτων ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Τὰ καλὰ καὶ συμφέροντα ταῖς ψυχαῖς
ἡμῶν καὶ εἰρήνην τῷ κόσμῳ, παρὰ τοῦ
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Τὸν ὑπόλοιπον χρόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν
ἐν εἰρήνῃ καὶ μετάνοιᾳ ἐκτελέσαι, παρὰ τοῦ
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Χριστιανὰ τὰ τέλη τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν,
ἀνώδυνα, ἀνεπαίσχυντα, εἰρηνικά, καὶ
καλὴν ἀπολογίαν τὴν ἐπὶ τοῦ φοβεροῦ
βήματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχράντου,
ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης
ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας
μετὰ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες,
ἐαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν
ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς
ὑπάρχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,
τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι,
νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

For a perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless
evening, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a
guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask
the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For forgiveness and remission of our sins
and transgressions, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For all that is good and beneficial to our
souls, and for peace in the world, let us ask
the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For the completion of our life in peace and
repentance, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For a Christian end to our life, peaceful,
without shame and suffering, and for a good
account before the awesome judgment seat of
Christ, let us ask.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

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

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST

For you are a good and loving God, 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.

(*Ἀμήν.*)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(*Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.*)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ὑμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν.

(*Σοί, Κύριε.*)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (*χαμηλοφώνως*)

Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ κλῖνας οὐρανούς καὶ καταβάς ἐπὶ σωτηρία τοῦ γένους τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἔπιδε ἐπὶ τοὺς δούλους σου καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν κληρονομίαν σου· σοὶ γὰρ τῷ φοβερῷ καὶ φιλανθρώπῳ κριτῇ οἱ σοὶ δούλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλὰς, τοὺς δὲ αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν αὐχένας, οὐ τὴν ἐξ ἀνθρώπων ἀναμένοντες βοήθειαν, ἀλλὰ τὸ σὸν περιμένοντες ἔλεος καὶ τὴν σὴν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι σωτηρίαν· οὓς διαφύλαξον ἐν παντὶ καιρῷ καὶ κατὰ τὴν παροῦσαν ἐσπέραν καὶ τὴν προσιοῦσαν νύκτα, ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐχθροῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀντικειμένης ἐνεργίας διαβολικῆς, καὶ διαλογισμῶν ματαίων καὶ ἐνθυμήσεων πονηρῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἴη τὸ κράτος τῆς βασιλείας σου εὐλογημένον καὶ δεδοξασμένον, τοῦ Πατρὸς, καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ, καὶ τοῦ ἁγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ αἰεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(*Ἀμήν.*)

Τοῦ Τριωδίου ---

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἀπόστιχα. Τοῦ Τριωδίου.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Καθαρίσωμεν ἑαυτοὺς ἀδελφοί, ἀπὸ παντὸς μολυσμοῦ, σαρκὸς καὶ πνεύματος, τὰς λαμπάδας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν φαιδρύνωμεν, διὰ φιλοπτωχείας, μὴ κατεσθίοντες ἀλλήλους τῇ συκοφαντίᾳ· ἔφθασε γὰρ ὁ καιρὸς, ὅταν ὁ Νυμφίος ἐλεύσεται, πᾶσιν ἀποδοῦναι κατὰ τὰ ἔργα

(*Amen.*)

PRIEST

Peace be with all.

(*And with your spirit.*)

DEACON

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

(*To You, O Lord.*)

PRIEST (*in a low voice*)

O Lord our God, who bowed the heavens and came down for the salvation of mankind: Look upon Your servants and Your inheritance; for to You, the fearful Judge who yet love mankind, have Your servants bowed their heads and submissively inclined their necks, awaiting not help from men but entreating Your mercy and looking confidently for Your salvation. Guard them at all times, both during this present evening and in the approaching night, from every foe, from all adverse powers of the devil and from vain thoughts and from evil imaginations.

PRIEST

May the might of your kingdom be blessed and glorified, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(*Amen.*)

From Triodion ---

CHOIR

Aposticha. From the Triodion.

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

Brethren, let us purify ourselves * from all stain of flesh and spirit. * Let us illumine the lights of our souls through love of poverty! * Let us not slander one another with curses! * For the time has come * when the Bridegroom renders to each according to his works. * Let us greet Christ with the Wise Virgins, *

αὐτοῦ. Συνεισέλθωμεν Χριστῷ μετὰ τῶν
φρονίμων Παρθένων, τὴν φωνὴν ἐκείνην
τοῦ Ληστοῦ, πρὸς αὐτὸν ἀνακράζοντες·
Μνήσθητι ἡμῶν Κύριε, ὅταν ἔλθῃς ἐν τῇ
Βασιλείᾳ σου.

Στίχ. Πρὸς σὲ ἦρα τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς μου
τὸν κατοικοῦντα ἐν τῷ οὐρανῷ. Ἴδου ὡς
ὀφθαλμοὶ δούλων εἰς χεῖρας τῶν κυρίων
αὐτῶν, ὡς ὀφθαλμοὶ παιδίσκης εἰς χεῖρας
τῆς κυρίας αὐτῆς, οὕτως οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ
ἡμῶν πρὸς Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν, ἕως οὗ
οἰκτειρήσῃ ἡμᾶς.

Καθαρίσωμεν ἑαυτοὺς ἀδελφοί,
ἀπὸ παντὸς μολυσμοῦ, σαρκὸς καὶ
πνεύματος, τὰς λαμπάδας τῶν ψυχῶν
ἡμῶν φαιδρύνωμεν, διὰ φιλοπτωχείας, μὴ
κατεσθίοντες ἀλλήλους τῇ συκοφαντίᾳ·
ἔφθασε γὰρ ὁ καιρὸς, ὅταν ὁ Νυμφίος
ἐλεύσεται, πᾶσιν ἀποδοῦναι κατὰ τὰ ἔργα
αὐτοῦ. Συνεισέλθωμεν Χριστῷ μετὰ τῶν
φρονίμων Παρθένων, τὴν φωνὴν ἐκείνην
τοῦ Ληστοῦ, πρὸς αὐτὸν ἀνακράζοντες·
Μνήσθητι ἡμῶν Κύριε, ὅταν ἔλθῃς ἐν τῇ
Βασιλείᾳ σου.

Μαρτυρικόν.

Ἦχος β'.

Στίχ. Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς, Κύριε, ἐλέησον
ἡμᾶς, ὅτι ἐπὶ πολὺ ἐπλήσθημεν
ἐξουδενώσεως, Ἐπὶ πλεῖον ἐπλήσθη ἡ ψυχὴ
ἡμῶν. Τὸ ὄνειδος τοῖς εὐθηνούσι, καὶ ἡ
ἐξουδένωσις τοῖς ὑπερηφάνοις.

Τῶν ἀγίων Μαρτύρων, πρεσβευόντων
ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν, καὶ τὸν Χριστὸν ὑμνοῦντων,
πᾶσα πλάνη πέπαυται, καὶ τῶν ἀνθρώπων
τὸ γένος, πίστει διασώζεται.

crying to him with the voice of the Thief: **
Remember us, Lord, when you come in your
kingdom! (OCA)

Verse: *I lift my eyes to You, who dwell
in heaven. Behold, as the eyes of servants look
to the hands of their masters, as the eyes of the
maidservant look to the hands of her mistress, so
our eyes look to the Lord our God until He shall
have compassion on us. (SAAS)*

Brethren, let us purify ourselves * from all
stain of flesh and spirit. * Let us illumine the
lights of our souls through love of poverty! *
Let us not slander one another with curses! *
For the time has come * when the Bridegroom
renders to each according to his works. *
Let us greet Christ with the Wise Virgins, *
crying to him with the voice of the Thief: **
Remember us, Lord, when you come in your
kingdom! (OCA)

For the Martyrs.

Mode 2.

Verse: *Have mercy on us, O Lord, have
mercy on us, for we are greatly filled with
contempt. Our soul is greatly filled with it. We are
a disgrace to those who prosper, and a contempt to
the arrogant. (SAAS)*

Since the holy Martyrs are interceding on
our behalf and are sending up their praises to
Christ, all delusion has ceased and by faith the
human race is preserved. (SD)

Τοῦ Τριωδίου ---

Δόξα.

Ἦχος πλ. δ'.

Τῶν Μοναστῶν τὰ πλήθη, τοὺς
καθηγητὰς νῦν τιμῶμεν, Πατέρες ὅσοι·
δι' ὑμῶν γὰρ τρίβον, τὴν ὄντως εὐθειᾶν
πορεύεσθαι ἔγνωμεν, μακάριοι ἐστὲ
τῷ Χριστῷ δουλεύσαντες, καὶ ἐχθροῦ
θριαμβεύσαντες τὴν δύναμιν, Ἀγγέλων
συνόμιλοι, Δικαίων ὁμόσκηνοι, καὶ Ἁγίων,
μεθ' ὧν πρεσβεύσατε τῷ Κυρίῳ, ἐλεηθῆναι
τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος πλ. δ'. Ὡ τοῦ παραδόξου.

Χαῖρε ἀγενείας κειμήλιον, χαῖρε αὔλου
φωτός, καθαρὸν ἐνδιαίτημα, χαῖρε τὸ
κεφάλαιον, τῆς ἡμῶν σωτηρίας τε, τῶν
Ἀποστόλων, χαῖρε τὸ κήρυγμα, καὶ τῶν,
Μαρτύρων, χαῖρε τὸ καύχημα, χαῖρε τὸ
πλήρωμα, Προφητῶν Πανάμωμε, καὶ
Ἀσκητῶν, Μοναστῶν ἀγλάϊσμα, καὶ
σωτηρία πιστῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὡδὴν τοῦ Θεοδόχου Συμεῶν.

Νῦν ἀπολύεις τον δοῦλόν σου, Δέσποτα,
κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμά σου, ἐν εἰρήνῃ· ὅτι εἶδον
οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου τὸ σωτήριόν σου, ὃ
ἠτοίμασας κατὰ πρόσωπον πάντων τῶν
λαῶν· φῶς εἰς ἀποκάλυψιν ἐθνῶν, καὶ
δόξαν λαοῦ σου Ἰσραήλ.

ΛΑΟΣ

Τρισάγιον.

Ἅγιος ὁ Θεός, ἅγιος Ἰσχυρός, ἅγιος
Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. (ἐκ γ')

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Glory.

From Triodion ---

Mode pl. 4.

We honor you, our fathers, * instructors
of a multitude of monks! * We have indeed
learned to walk rightly in your footsteps! *
You are blest, for having labored for Christ,
* you denounced the power of the enemy! *
Conversors with the angels, * companions of
the venerable and righteous ones! * Together
with them, entreat the Lord ** that he may
grant mercy to our souls! (OCA)

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode pl. 4. (not metered)

Rejoice, treasure of purity! * Rejoice,
pure abode of the immaterial light! * Rejoice,
praise of the martyrs! * Rejoice, preview of our
salvation! * Rejoice, preaching of the Apostles!
* Rejoice, fulfillment of the Prophets! * Rejoice,
beauty of monks and ascetics! ** Blameless
Virgin, the salvation of the faithful! (OCA)

PRIEST

Song of Simeon.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart
in peace, according to thy word; for mine
eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast
prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light
for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to
thy people Israel. (RSV)

PEOPLE

Trisagion Prayers.

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

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

Παναγία Τριάς, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Κύριε, ἱλάσθητι ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις ἡμῶν. Δέσποτα, συγχώρησον τὰς ἀνομίας ἡμῖν. Ἄγιε, ἐπίσκεψαι καὶ ἰᾶσαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν, ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Πάτερ ἡμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς, ἁγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου. Ἐλθέτω ἡ βασιλεία σου. Γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου, ὡς ἐν οὐρανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Τὸν ἄρτον ἡμῶν τὸν ἐπιούσιον δὸς ἡμῖν σήμερον. Καὶ ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν, ὡς καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀφίεμεν τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν. Καὶ μὴ εἰσενέγκῃς ἡμᾶς εἰς πειρασμόν, ἀλλὰ ρῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι σοῦ ἐστὶν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις καὶ ἡ δόξα τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ καὶ τοῦ Ἁγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. (Ἀμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἀπολυτίκιον.

Τοῦ Τριωδίου - -

Ἦχος δ'.

Ὁ Θεὸς τῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν, ὁ ποιῶν ἀεὶ μεθ' ἡμῶν κατὰ τὴν σὴν ἐπιείκειαν, μὴ ἀποστήσῃς τὸ ἔλεός σου ἀφ' ἡμῶν, ἀλλὰ ταῖς αὐτῶν ἱκεσίαις, ἐν εἰρήνῃ κυβέρονῃς τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν.

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, forgive our sins. Master, pardon our transgressions. Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities for your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. (GOA)

PRIEST

For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. (Amen.)

CHOIR

Apolytikion.

From Triodion - -

Mode 4.

O God of our Fathers, since You always deal with us in accordance with Your gentleness, do not withdraw Your mercy from us, but at their fervent entreaties, pilot our life in peace. (SD)

Τῆς Οκτωήχου ---

Δόξα· καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος δ'.

Τὸ ἀπ' αἰῶνος ἀπόκρυφον, καὶ Ἀγγέλοις
ἄγνωστον μυστήριον, διὰ σοῦ Θεοτόκε τοῖς
ἐπὶ γῆς πεφανέρωται· Θεὸς ἐν ἀσυγχύτῳ
ἐνώσει σαρκούμενος, καὶ Σταυρὸν
ἐκουσίως ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν καταδεξάμενος· δι' οὗ
ἀναστήσας τὸν πρωτόπλαστον, ἔσωσεν ἐκ
θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς κατὰ τὸ μέγα
ἐλεὸς Σου, δεόμεθά Σου, ἐπάκουσον καὶ
ἐλέησον.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ
ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ
βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος).

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν,
τῶν ἱερέων, ἱερομονάχων, ἱεροδιακόνων καὶ
μοναχῶν, καὶ πάσης τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἡμῶν
ἀδελφότητος.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς,
εἰρήνης, υἰείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως,
συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν
τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν
εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν, τῶν
κατοικούντων καὶ παρεπιδημούντων ἐν
τῇ (πόλει, κώμῃ), ταύτῃ, τῶν ἐνοριτῶν,

From Octoechos ---

Glory. Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode 4.

O Theotokos, through you became
manifest to us on earth the mystery, which
was hid from eternity, and which the Angels
themselves knew not: that God, uniting
natures without confusion, becomes a man
and accepts crucifixion for our salvation
voluntarily. By virtue of this, resurrecting
man whom He had first created, He saved our
souls from death. (SD)

DEACON

Have mercy on us, O God, according to
your great mercy; we pray you, hear us and
have mercy.

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

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox
Christians.

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

Let us pray for (episcopal rank) (name).

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

Let us pray for our brethren, priests,
hieromonks, deacons, and monastics, and all
our brotherhood in Christ.

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

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace,
health, salvation, visitation, forgiveness
and remission of the sins of all pious and
Orthodox Christians living and visiting in
this city, the parishioners, the members of
the Parish Council and every Ministry of this

ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιερωτῶν
τοῦ ἁγίου ναοῦ τούτου.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἐτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν μακαρίων
καὶ ἀοιδίμων κτιτόρων τῆς ἁγίας
Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης, καὶ ὑπὲρ πάντων τῶν
προαναπαυσασμένων πατέρων καὶ ἀδελφῶν
ἡμῶν, τῶν ἐνθάδε εὐσεβῶς, κειμένων, καὶ
ἀπανταχοῦ ὀρθοδόξων.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἐτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν
καρποφορούντων καὶ καλλιεργούντων
ἐν τῷ ἁγίῳ καὶ πανσέπτῳ ναῷ τούτῳ,
κοπιώντων, ψαλλόντων καὶ ὑπὲρ τοῦ
περιεστῶτος λαοῦ, τοῦ ἀπεκδεχομένου τὸ
παρὰ Σοῦ μέγα καὶ πλούσιον ἔλεος.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς
ὑπάρχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,
τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι,
νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία!

(Εὐλόγησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὁ ὢν εὐλογητός, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
πάντοτε, νῦν, καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας
τῶν αἰώνων. (Ἀμήν.)

Στερεώσαι, Κύριος ὁ Θεός, τὴν ἁγίαν
καὶ ἀμώμητον πίστιν τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ
ὀρθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, σὺν τῇ ἁγίᾳ αὐτοῦ
Ἐκκλησίᾳ καὶ τῇ πόλει ταύτῃ εἰς αἰῶνας
αἰώνων.

Parish, and the donors and benefactors of this
holy church.

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

Let us again pray for the blessed and
ever-memorable founders of this holy church,
and for all our fathers, mothers, brothers, and
sisters who are asleep here in the Lord and for
the Orthodox everywhere.

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

Let us again pray for those who do
charitable work, for those who serve in this
holy house, for those who labor, teach, and
sing, and for all the people here present who
await your great and rich mercy.

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

PRIEST

For you are a merciful and loving God,
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.

(Amen.)

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.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Αμήν.

Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβίμ, καὶ ἐνδοξοτέραν, ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφίμ, τὴν ἀδιαφθόρως, Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. (ἐκ γ') Εὐλόγησον.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ παναμώμου ἁγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός, δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ, προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων Δυνάμεων Ἀσωμάτων, ἱκεσίαις τοῦ τιμίου, ἐνδόξου, προφήτου, Προδρόμου καὶ βαπτιστοῦ Ἰωάννου, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ πανευφήμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων· τῶν ὁσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν· (τοῦ Ἁγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ)· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακεὶμ καὶ Ἄννης, πάντῳ τῶν ἐν ἀσκήσει λαμψάντων ὁσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν, ὧν καὶ τὴν μνήμην ἐπιτελοῦμεν· καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων, ἐλεῆσαι καὶ σῶσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος καὶ ἐλεήμων Θεός.

Δι' εὐχῶν τῶν ἁγίων πατέρων ἡμῶν, Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, ἐλέησον καὶ σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

(Ἀμήν.)

READER

Amen.

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

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

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

PRIEST

May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of his most pure and 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, the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy Apostles, the holy, glorious, and triumphant Martyrs, our holy and God-bearing Fathers, (local patron saint); the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, all our devout and God-bearing fathers, who were illustrious in asceticism, whose memory we celebrate, and all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, as a good, loving and merciful God.

Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ, our God, have mercy on us and save us.

(Amen.)