The First Sunday Antiphon

Shout to the Lord, all the earth: sing now to His name, give glory to His praise.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Say unto God, "How awesome are your works! Because of the greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter You."

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Let all the earth worship You and sing to You, let it sing to Your name, O Most High.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

The Third Sunday Antiphon

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Tropars

When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection * and cast off the ancestral condemnation,* they proudly told the apostles: "Death has been plundered! * Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy."

You are glorified in the highest degree, O Christ our God,* for you made our fathers on earth into shining lights.* Through them you led us all to true faith.* O Lord, rich in mercy, glory to You.

My Savior and Deliverer from the grave as God * has raised out of bondage the children of earth * and shattered the gates of Hades; * and as Master, he rose on the third day.

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

The Son who came forth from the Father in a way beyond expression* with two natures was born of a woman.* Seeing this we do not reject his image honorably drawn by human hands,* but rather venerate it in faith.* And so the church, holding fast to true faith,* reveres the icon of the incarnation of Christ.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

O unfailing patroness of Christians,* O steadfast advocate before the Creator,* turn not away from us sinners as we call out to you in prayer,* but rather as our gracious Lady, come to our aid as we trustingly appeal to you.* Quickly hear our prayer and make it your own speedy plea,* for you always intercede in behalf of those who honor you, O Mother of God.

Prokimenon: How great are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have wrought them all.

Stichon: Bless the Lord, O my soul! You are very great indeed, O Lord my God!

Prokimenon: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of out fathers, and your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.

Stichon: For you are just in all you have done to us, and all your works are true and your ways right.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews.

Brethren, remember your leaders who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teaching. It is good to have our hearts strengthened by grace and not by foods, which do not benefit those who live by them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. The bodies of the animals whose blood the high priest brings into the sanctuary as a sin offering are burned outside the camp. Therefore, Jesus also suffered outside the gate, to consecrate the people by his own blood. Let us then go to him outside the camp, bearing the reproach that he bore. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the one that is to come. Through him (then) let us continually offer God a sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.

<u>Alleluia:</u> String your bow, go forth, reign for the sake of truth, meekness and righteousness, and your right hand shall lead you wonderfully.

<u>Stichon:</u> You loves righteousness and hated iniquity: therefore God, your God, anointed you with the oil of joy above your companions.

<u>Alleluia:</u> The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Stichon: Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him.

Gospel:

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that he may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ. I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do. Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began. "I revealed your name to those whom you gave me out of the world. They belonged to you, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you gave me is from you, because the words you gave to me I have given to them, and they accepted them and truly understood that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are. When I was with them I protected them in your name that you gave me, and I guarded them, and none of them was lost except the son of destruction, in order that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share my joy completely.

Instead of: "It is truly right..."

No change. We sing "It is truly right..."

Kinonikon

Praise the Lord from the heavens,* praise Him in the highest. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous ones.* Praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia, Alleluia.