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

By Your cross You destroyed death; You opened Paradise to the thief;* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,* and charged the apostles to proclaim that You are risen, O Christ our God,* offering great mercy to the world.

You are praised beyond all measure, O Christ our God!* You made our Fathers on earth to be illuminaries,* guiding us and all things to the true faith.* O Lord, kind and loving beyond all measure, glory to you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,* now and for ever and ever. Amen.

The apostles' preaching* and the fathers' teaching confirmed the church in a single faith.* Vested in a garment woven from the fabric of sublime theology,* she rightly teaches and glorifies* the great mystery of divine worship.

Apostolos (Titus 3:8, 3:15)

<u>Prokimenon:</u> Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, you just;* exult, all you upright of heart.

Stichon: Happy are those whose faults are taken away,* and whose sins are covered.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to Titus:

My son Titus, this saying is true, and in the matter I want to insist that those who believe in God be careful to excel in good works: these are good and useful to people. But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and quarrels, and disputes about the Law, for they are useless and futile.

Avoid a factious man after warning him once or twice, knowing that such a man is perverted and sins, since he is condemning himself.

When I send Artemus or Tychicus to you, make every effort to meet me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way, taking care that they lack nothing. And let our people also learn to excel in good works, in order to help cases of urgent need so that they may not be unfruitful. All my companions greet you. Greet those who love us in the faith. The grace of God be with all of you. Amen.

Alleluia: O God, our ears have heard, our father have declared to us the deeds* you did in their days, in the days of old.

<u>Stichon:</u> For you saved us from those who afflicted us* and have put to shame those who hated us.

Gospel: (John 17:1-13)

Jesus spoke these things; and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You, even as You gave Him authority over all flesh, that to all whom You have given Him, He may give eternal life. This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on the earth, having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do. Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

"I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have come to know that everything You have given Me is from You; for the words which You gave Me I have given to them; and they received them and truly understood that I came forth from You, and they believed that You sent Me. I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours; and all things that are Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I have been glorified in them. I am no longer in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep them in Your name, the name which You have given Me, that they may be one even as We are. While I was with them, I was keeping them in Your name which You have given Me; and I guarded them and not one of them perished but the son of perdition, so that the Scripture would be fulfilled. But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My joy made full in themselves.

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

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

<u>Kinonikon</u>

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, Alleluia.