

The First Sunday Antiphon

When Israel and Jacob's children came forth from Egypt, out from a barbarian people,* Judah became his sanctuary, Israel became his domain. Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Savior, save us.

The sea saw God's people coming and parted for them;* when the Jordan saw them coming, its running waters ceased to flow. Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Savior, save us.

Why is it, O sea, that you parted,* and what caused you, O Jordan, to turn back your flow? 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, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms. Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth. Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

*****Entrance*****

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Tropars

Angelic powers were upon Your tomb and the guards became like dead men;* Mary stood before Your tomb seeking Your most pure body.* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.* You met the Virgin and granted life.* O Lord, risen from the dead,* glory be to You!

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord,* worship of the Trinity was revealed,* for the voice of the Father bore you witness by calling you beloved son.* And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truth of these words.* O Christ God, you manifest yourself and enlighten the world;* glory to you.

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

With His life-giving hand Christ our God, the Giver of life,* raised all the dead from the murky abyss and bestowed resurrection upon humanity.* He is for all the Savior, the resurrection and the life,* and the God of all.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Today you manifest yourself to the universe* and your light, O Lord, shines upon us.* And in our understanding, rightly do we sing out to you:* O Light inaccessible! You have come and manifested yourself.

Apostolos

Prokimenon: O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance!

Stichon: To you, O Lord, I have called: o my Rock, be not deaf to me.

Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy:

My son Timothy, this saying is true and worthy of entire acceptance, that Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the chief. But for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Christ Jesus might show forth all patience, as an example to those who shall believe in him for the attainment of life everlasting. To the King of the ages, who is immortal, invisible, the one only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High abides in the shadow of the God of heaven.

Stichon: He will say to the Lord," My wall, my refuge, my God in whom I will trust!"

Gospel: (Luke 18:35-43)

And it came about that when he got near Jericho, a certain blind man was seated by the side of the road, making requests for money from those who went by. And hearing the sound of a great number of people going by, he said, What is this? And they said to him, Jesus of Nazareth is going by. And he said in a loud voice, Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me. And those who were in front made protests and said to him, Be quiet: but he said all the more, O Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus, stopping, gave orders that he was to come to him, and when he came near, he said to him, What would you have me do for you? And he said, Lord, that I may be able to see again. And Jesus said, See again: your faith has made you well. And straight away he was able to see, and he went after him, giving glory to God; and all the people when they saw it gave praise to God.

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

Extol, my soul* Christ the King,* who was baptized in the Jordan.

No tongue can fittingly sing your praises.* Even superior intelligences far above our world appear feeble* when they praise you, O Mother of God.* But in your goodness, accept our faith;* for you see the Godly love we bear towards you,* as you are the Patroness of Christians.

Kinonikon

The grace of God has appeared* bringing salvation to all people.
Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise him in the highest.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.