

"Lord I Call..." (Tone 3)

Reader: In the Third Tone, Lord, I call upon You, hear me!

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Hear me, O Lord.

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Receive the voice of my prayer,
when I call upon You.

Hear me, O Lord.

Let my prayer arise

in Your sight as incense,

and let the lifting up of my hands
be an evening sacrifice.

Hear me, O Lord.

Reader: (Reads text from service book)

v. (10) *Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your name!*

By Your Cross, O Christ our Savior,

death's dominion has been shattered;

the devil's delusion destroyed.

The human race, being saved by faith, //

always offers You a song.

v. (9) *The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.*

All has been enlightened by Your Resurrection, O Lord.

Paradise has been opened again.

All creation, praising You, //

always offers You a song.

v. (8) *Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!*

I glorify the power of the Father and the Son.

I praise the authority of the Holy Spirit:

the undivided, uncreated Godhead, //

the consubstantial Trinity which reigns forever.

v. (7) *In the First Tone, Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!*

Simeon, tell us, Whom you bear in your arms,
that you rejoice so greatly in the Temple?

To Whom do you shout and cry aloud:

"Now I am set free, for I have seen my Savior?"

This is He Who was born of a Virgin;

this is God the Word, Who came forth from God,

Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and has saved man. //

Let us worship Him!

v. (6) *If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.*

Simeon, receive Him Whom Moses once beheld in darkness,
granting the Law on Sinai,

now that He has become a Babe subject to the Law!

This is He Who spoke through the Law.

This is He, of Whom the Prophets spoke,

Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and has saved man.//
Let us worship Him!

v. (5) *For Your name's sake I have waited for You, O Lord, my soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

Come, let us also go to meet Christ with divine songs!

Let us receive Him Whose salvation Simeon saw!

This is He Whom David announced;

this is He Who spoke in the Prophets,

Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and Who speaks through the Law.//

Let us worship Him!

v. (4) *From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!*

The great Parthenius, the namesake of Virginity,
the beacon of Lampsácus,
the radiant morning star of miracles,
calls us all together by his memorial,
that we who sing hymns to Christ the Savior//
may keep the spiritual feast.

v. (3) *For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.*

You bore God within yourself from childhood
by the fire of your prayers, O all-blessed and wise one.

You burned up legions of demons
and guided the flock of Lampsacus.

Casting down the temples of idols,//
you renewed yourself for God.

v. (2) *In the Sixth Tone, Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

Following the Lord from your youth, O blessed one,
you forsook the passion and love of earthly things,
and departed from your parents' home.

You lived in the wilderness,
perfecting a life of fasting and humility.

Coming to the end of your days, you gave your possessions to the poor,
and, as a good merchant, you exchanged them for Christ, the Precious pearl.//
Receiving Him, you obtained your inheritance, O truly glorious one.

v. (1) *For His mercy is abundant towards us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

As your holy life was ending, O venerable Luke,
you performed wondrous and glorious miracles.

For God, Who pledged to reward you for your godly labors,
shall grant you an incorruptible crown

when He shall come as Judge.
Beseech Him to deliver from all affliction//
those who praise you, O all-wondrous Luke.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
In the hands of the Elder upon this day
You were pleased to be laid, O Christ our God,
as upon the chariot of the Cherubim.
Deliver us also, who sing Your praise,
calling us back from the tyranny of the passions,
and save our souls!

In the Third Tone, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

How can we not wonder
at your mystical childbearing, O exalted Mother?
For without receiving the touch of man,
you gave birth to a Son in the flesh, immaculate Virgin.
The Son born of the Father before eternity
was born of you at the fullness of time, O honored Lady.
He underwent no mingling, no change, no division,
but preserved the fullness of each nature.
Entreat Him, O Lady and Virgin, and Mother,
to save the souls of those who, in the Orthodox manner, confess you//
to be the Theotokos.

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend!

Choir: *O Gladsome Light ...*

Aposticha – Tone 3

The sun was darkened by your Passion, O Christ,
but all creation was enlightened by the light of Your Resurrection.//
Accept our evening song, O Lover of mankind!

v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!
Your life-bearing Resurrection, O Lord,
enlightened the whole universe, recalling Your creation.
Delivered from Adam's curse, we sing://
“Almighty Lord, glory to You!”

v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.
You are the changeless God,
Who, suffering in the flesh, were changed.
Creation could not endure seeing You on the Cross.
It was filled with fear while praising Your patience.
By descending to hell and rising on the third day,//
You have granted to the world life and great mercy.

v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!
You endured death, O Christ,

to deliver the human race from death.
You rose from the dead on the third day,
raising with yourself those who knew You as God//
and enlightening the world. Glory to You!

In the Sixth Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Let the gate of heaven be opened today,
for the unoriginate Word of the Father
has made a beginning in time without forsaking His divinity.
As a Babe forty days old,
of His own will He is brought by the Virgin, His Mother,
as an offering in the Temple of the Law.
The Elder receives Him in his arms,
crying as a servant to his Master:
“Let me depart for my eyes have seen Your salvation!”//
Glory to You, O Lord, for You have come into the world to save the human
race!

St. Symeon's Prayer

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 3

Let the heavens rejoice!
Let the earth be glad!
For the Lord has shown strength with His arm.
He has trampled down death by death.
He has become the first born of the dead.
He has delivered us from the depths of hell,
and has granted to the world//
great mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
Troparion for Ss. Parthenius and Luke – Tone 4
O God of our Fathers,
always act with kindness towards us;
take not Your mercy from us,
but guide our lives in peace//
through the prayers of Your saints!

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Troparion for the Meeting of Our Lord – Tone 1

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace!
From you shone the Sun of Righteousness, ^Christ our God,
enlightening those who sat in darkness.
Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder,
you accepted in your arms the ^Redeemer of our souls,
Who grants us the Resurrection!