

"Lord I Call..." (Tone 2)

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

Lord, I call upon You, hear me!

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!
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Reader: (Reads text from service book)

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

Come, let us worship the Word of God

begotten of the Father before all ages,

and incarnate of the Virgin Mary!

Having endured the Cross,

He was buried as He himself desired.//

And having risen from the dead, He saved me, an erring man.

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

Christ our Savior

nailed to the Cross the bond against us,

He voided it and destroyed the dominion of death.//

We fall down before His Resurrection on the third day.

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

With the Archangels

let us praise the Resurrection of Christ!

He is our Savior, our Redeemer.

He is coming with awesome glory and mighty power//
to judge the world which He made.

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let us praise the resur - rec - tion of Christ!

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v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

The Angel proclaimed You
the crucified and buried Master.
He told the women: "Come, see the place where He lay!
He is risen as He said,
for He is almighty."
We worship You, O only immortal One.//
Have mercy on us O Christ, the Giver of life!

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v. (6) In the Sixth Tone, if You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

Tone 6

(for the Fathers)

(Despairing for her life)

The seven honorable councils of the Fathers, held at various times,
 were brought together under one canon in good order
 by Patriarch Germanus the New.
 He established and recorded their teachings;
 he also presented these Fathers to the Lord
 as watchful intercessors for our salvation//
 and as fellow-shepherds of the fold.

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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.*

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

The book of the Law instructed the sons of Israel
 that the seventh day was to be honored,
 and they devoted themselves to a shadow and reverenced it.
 But, O Fathers, who came together in the Seventh Council,
 at the behest of God,
 Who fashioned the universe in six days and blessed the seventh day,//
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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 have enabled all men, O thrice-blessed Fathers,
 to come to the knowledge of the Trinity
 as the Cause of the world's generation;
 for by your mystical reasoning
 you established three and four Councils,
 and you appeared as champions of Orthodoxy,
 for you showed that, while there are four elements,//
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v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

It would have been enough for Elisha the Prophet
to have bent down only once to give life to the dead son of the woman;
but he knelt and bent seven times.
And in his foresight he prophesied your gathering,
by which you breathed life into the slaying of God the Word,//
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v. (1) *For His mercy is abundant towards us; and the truth of the Lord endures for ever.*

In your wisdom, O venerable Fathers,
 you mended the garment of Christ, rent by howling dogs;
 for you could not bear looking upon the nakedness of His Body,
 but as Shem and Japheth of old who hid their father's nakedness,
 you put to shame that slayer of his father, the wretched Arius,//
 and those who foolishly follow his teachings.

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In the Same Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 6

(for the Holy Fathers)

Idiomelon

Today let us praise the mystical trumpets of the Spirit,
the God-bearing Fathers, who stand in the midst of the Church, singing true theology,
praising the changeless Trinity.

They laid low the errors of Arius and upheld the Orthodox Faith.//
They always entreat the Lord to have mercy on our souls.

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

Tone 2

(*Theotokion – Dogmatikon*)

The shadow of the Law passed when grace came;
as the bush burned, yet was not consumed,
so the Virgin gave birth, yet remained a Virgin.

The righteous Sun has risen instead of a pillar of flame//
Instead of Moses, Christ, the Salvation of our souls.

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Prokeimenon of the Day, three readings

Old Testament Readings

Genesis 14:14-20, Deuteronomy 1:8-11, 15-17, Deuteronomy 10:14-21

Priest: Wisdom!

*Reader: The reading from Genesis. (*Genesis 14:14-20*)*

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: When Abram heard that his kinsman had been taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, 318 of them, and went in pursuit as far as Dan. And he divided his forces against them by night, he and his servants, and routed them and pursued them to Hobah, north of Damascus. Then he brought back all the goods, and also brought back his kinsman Lot with his goods, and the women and the people. After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. And he blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

Priest: Wisdom!

*Reader: The reading from Deuteronomy. (*Deuteronomy 1:8-11, 15-17*)*

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Behold, I have set the land before you; go in and take possession of the land which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give to them and to their descendants after them. At that time I said to you, "I am not able alone to bear you; the Lord your God has multiplied you, and behold, you are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude." May the Lord, the God of your fathers, make you a thousand times as many as you are, and bless you, as He has promised you! So I took the heads of your tribes, wise and experienced men, and set them as heads over you, commanders of thousands, commanders of hundreds, commanders of fifties, commanders of tens, and officers, throughout your tribes. And I charged your judges at that time: "Hear the cases between your brethren, and judge righteously between a man and his brother, or the alien that is with him. You shall not be partial in judgment; you shall hear the small and the great alike; you shall not be afraid of the face of man, for the judgment is God's."

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Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it; yet the Lord set His heart in love upon your fathers and chose their descendants after them, you above all peoples, as at this day. Circumcise, therefore, the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, Who is not partial and takes no bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. Love the sojourner, therefore; for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God; you shall serve Him and cleave to Him,

and by His Name you shall swear. He is your praise; He is your God, Who has done for you these great and terrible things which your eyes have seen.

Then, the Augmented Litany

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Aposticha

Tone 2

(for the Resurrection)

Your Resurrection, O Christ our Savior,
has enlightened the whole universe,
recalling Your creation.//
Glory to You, O mighty Lord!

Your Resurrection, O Christ our Sa - viour, has enlightened the whole un - i - verse

re-call - ing Your cre - a - tion. Glory to You, O Al-migh - ty Lord!

v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!

By the Tree You destroyed the curse of the Tree O Savior,
By Your burial You mortified the majesty of death.
You have enlightened our race by Your Resurrection.//
O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!

By the Tree You destroyed the curse of the tree, O Sa - - viour.

By Your burial You mortified the ma - jes - ty of death. You have

enlightened our race by Your Re - sur - rec - tion.
 O Giver of Life, Christ
 our God, glo - ry to You.

v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.

When You were seen nailed to the Cross, O Christ,
 You restored the beauty of Your creatures.
 The soldiers showed their inhumanity when they pierced Your side with a spear.
 The Hebrews not knowing Your power
 asked that Your tomb might be sealed,
 but through the mercy of Your compassions,
 You accepted the tomb
 and rose on the third day!//
 O Lord, glory to You!

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 You ac-cept-ed the tomb and rose on the third day. O Lord, glo - ry to You!

v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!

O Christ, the Giver of life,
 for the sake of the dead You voluntarily endured death,
 descending into Hades as the Mighty One
 to save those who awaited Your coming,
 granting him the life of paradise instead of hell.
 Grant also to us who glorify Your Resurrection on the third day//
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third day cleansing of our sin and great mer - - - cy.

In the Fourth Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 4 (for the Fathers)

Come, all Orthodox Churches,
let us celebrate today in faith and true worship
the yearly commemoration of the divinely-arrayed Fathers
who gathered at Nicea from throughout the world!
There they refuted the godless teaching of Arius,
banishing him from the catholic Church by a decree of the council.
They taught all to confess openly the Son of God,
consubstantial and co-eternal with the Father,
proclaiming this with precision and true worship in the Symbol of Faith.
Therefore, as we faithfully follow their divine doctrines,
let us worship the Father, the Son and the most Holy Spirit,//
the consubstantial Trinity in one Godhead!

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A musical score for a hymn, consisting of two staves of music with corresponding lyrics in blue. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The top staff uses a treble clef, and the bottom staff uses a bass clef. The lyrics describe the refutation of Arius and the teaching of the Trinity.

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the consubstantial Trinity in one God - - head!

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

Tone 4

(*Theotokion*)

Look on the entreaties of your servants, O Blameless One!
 Stop all the terrible attacks against us,
freeing us from every affliction,
 for we have only you as our sure and firm anchor!
 Lady, do not let us be put to shame,
 for we call on you for our intercession!
 Hasten to pray for those who call in faith:
 "Rejoice, Lady, Help of all://
 the Joy and Shelter and Salvation of our souls!"

Look on the entreaties of thy servants, O blame-less one! Stop all the terrible attacks a-gainst us, free-ing us from every af-flic-tion, for we have only thee as our sure and firm anch-or! Do not let us be put to shame, O La-dy, for we call on thee for our interces-sion!

Hasten to pray for those who call in faith: "Rejoice, O La - dy, help - of all,
the joy and shelter and sal - va - tion of our souls!"

then, St. Symeon's Prayer

Tone 2

Troparion

(Resurrection)

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 2

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,
You slew Hades with the splendor of Your Godhead.
And when from the depths You raised the dead,
all the powers of heaven cried out://
"O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!"

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You slew Hades with the splendor of Your God-head!
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You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out:

O Giver of Life! Christ our God, glo - ry to You!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 8

Troparion

(Fathers)

You are most glorious, O Christ our God!

You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.

Through them You have guided us to the true Faith.//

O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

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Tone 8

Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion

For our sake You were born of the Virgin and endured crucifixion, O Good One, destroying death by death
revealing the Resurrection as God. Do not despise the work of Your hand!
Reveal Your love for man, O Merciful One and accept the Theotokos praying for us, //
and save the despairing people, O our Savior!

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The-o - to-kos pray - ing for us! And save the de-spair ing people, O our Sa-viour! 8

(at the Divine Liturgy)

Tone 2

Troparion

(Resurrection)

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“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

The musical notation is for four voices (Tone 2). The first staff starts with a treble clef, the second with a bass clef, the third with a treble clef, and the fourth with a bass clef. The music consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with some words underlined to indicate they are to be sung longer or more emphatically.

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Through them You have guided us to the true Faith.//
O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

Soprano
Alto

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Tenor
Bass

es - tab - lished the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.

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Through them you have guid - ed us to the true faith.

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O great - ly Com - pas - sion - ate One, glo - ry to You!

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Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 6

Kontakion

(Fathers)

The Son who shone forth from the Father
was ineffably born, two-fold in nature, of a woman.
Having beheld Him, we do not deny the image of His form,
but depict it piously and revere it faithfully.
Thus, keeping the True Faith,/
the Church venerates the icon of Christ Incarnate.

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Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

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

Tone 2

Kontakion

(Resurrection)

Hades became afraid, O almighty Savior,
 seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb!
 The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with You,/
 and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

Ha - des became afraid, O Al - migh - ty Sa - - - viour,

see - ing the miracle of Your Re - sur - rec - tion from the tomb!

The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and re-joiced with You!

And the world, O my Sa-viour prais-es You for - e - ver.

Priest: Let us attend! +Peace be unto all!

Reader: And with your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

Prokeimenon, Tone 2

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 2nd Tone: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation, my salvation.

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has be - come my

sal - va - tion, my sal - va - tion.

Reader: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation, my salvation.

Reader: In the 4th Tone, the Song of the Fathers, Blessed are You, O Lord God of our Fathers and praised and glorified is Your Name forever!

Choir: Blessed are You, O Lord God of our Fathers and praised and glorified is Your Name forever!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Epistle

194 – 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9

334 – Hebrews 13:7-16 (*Fathers*)

Reader: Brothers and sisters, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, he who is blessed unto the ages, knows that I do not lie. In Damascus, the governor of King Aretas guarded the city, desiring to arrest me. But I was let down in a basket along the wall through a window, and this is how I escaped from his hands.

Without a doubt, it is not profitable for me to boast, but I will now discuss visions and revelations from the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up into the third heaven (whether it was in the body, I do not know, or whether out of the body, I do not know; God knows). Yes, I know such a man (whether in the body, or outside of the body, I do not know; God knows), how he was caught up into Paradise, and heard ineffable words, which it is not lawful for anyone to utter. On behalf of such a person, I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except in my weaknesses. If my intention is to boast, I will not be foolish: I will speak the truth. But now, I shall stop, so that no one may think more of me than what is seen in me or heard from me. Because of the tremendous greatness of these revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan that torments me, so that I would not be too exalted. Concerning this thing, I begged the Lord three times that it might depart from me, but he replied to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." And so, it is with joy that I would rather find glory in my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest on me.

Brothers and sisters, remember your leaders, those men who proclaimed the word of God to you. Considering the results of their conduct, imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried away by all sorts of strange teachings. It is good that the inner person should be strengthened by grace, not by food which is of no profit to those who have been preoccupied by it!

We have an altar from which those who offer divine service in the holy tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals (whose blood is brought into the holy place by the high priest as an offering for sin) are burned outside of the camp. This is why Jesus suffered outside of the gate, so that he might sanctify the people through his own blood. Let us therefore go out of the city to him who is outside of the camp and let us bear his disgrace. For we do not have here on earth an enduring city, but we seek the one that is to come. Therefore, through him, Jesus, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, the fruit of our lips which confessed his Name. But do not forget to do what is good and to share because God is well pleased with such sacrifices.

Priest: † Peace be to you.

Alleluia: Tone 2

Reader: And to Your spirit. In the 2nd Tone: Alleluia! May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble!

May the name of the God of Jacob protect you!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the 1st Tone, The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel

35 – Luke 8:5-15

56 – John 17:1-13 (*Fathers*)

Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Priest: The Lord said this parable: “A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was sowing, some seed fell along the wayside; it was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the sky devoured it. Other seed fell on the rock, and as soon as it grew, it withered away because it had no moisture. Other fell among the thorns, and the thorns grew with it, and choked it. Other fell into the good ground, grew, and brought forth fruit a hundred times.” As he said this, he exclaimed, “Let anyone with ears to hear listen!”

Then his disciples asked him, “What does this parable mean?”

Jesus replied, “To you it is given to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of God, but to the rest, it is given in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ Now this is what the parable means: The seed is the word of God. Those along the wayside are those who have heard. Then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, so that they may not believe and be saved. Those on the rock are those who receive the word with joy when they hear. But they have no root; they believe for a while, then fall away in time of temptation. What fell among the thorns is those who have heard, and as they go on their way, they are choked with worries, wealth, and the pleasures of life; and they bring no fruit to maturity. As for the seed that fell in the rich soil, this is those who have heard the word with an honest and good heart, who retain it and bring forth fruit with endurance.

At that time, Jesus, lifting up his eyes to heaven, said, “Father, the time has come! Glorify your Son, so that your Son may also glorify you, even as you gave him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

This is eternal life: that they should know you, the only true God, and him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ.

I have glorified you on the earth! I have accomplished the work which you have given me to do! Now, Father, glorify me with yourself with the glory I had with you before the world existed. I have revealed your Name to the people whom you have given me out of the world. They were yours, and you have given them to me; they have kept your word. Now they have known that all things you have given me are from you. The words you have given me, I have given to them. They have received them and they have known for certain that I came forth from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I pray for them; I do not pray for the world, but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All things that are mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. I am no longer in the world, but these are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them through your Name which you have given me, so that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them in the world, I protected them in your Name. Those whom you have given me I have kept. None of them is lost, except the son of destruction, so that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to you, and I say these things in the world, so that they may have my joy made full in themselves.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!

Praise befits the just! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
