

"Lord I Call..." – Tone 7

Reader: In the Seventh 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!

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord,

Who destroyed the dominion of death!

Let us sing to Him with the bodiless hosts,

for He enlightened the race of man!//

O our Maker and Savior, glory to You!

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

You endured the Cross and burial for our sake.

By Your death, You slew death as God.

We fall down before Your Resurrection on the third day,//

O Savior, glory to You!

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

When the Apostles beheld the Resurrection of the Maker,

they were amazed and sang the angelic praise.

This is the glory of the Church.

This is the richness of the Kingdom.//

O Lord, crucified for our sake, glory to You!

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

Today, O Christ, Your precious Cross, shining forth as brilliantly as the sun,
has been firmly planted at the honored Place of the Skull.

Being exalted upon Your all-holy mountain,

it reveals most vividly that through it, O almighty Savior,//

You have raised up our nature to the heavens, as the Lover of mankind.

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

Today, O incomprehensible Lord,

the heavens have declared Your glory to all mankind;

for the image of the Cross joyfully shines with unapproachable brilliance,
refuting the cruel and obstinate nature of those who slew God.

Therefore, we glorify Your plan of salvation,

undertaken out of love for mankind,//

O almighty Jesus, the Savior of our souls.

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.

Stretching forth his hands, Moses vanquished Amalek,
prefiguring the image of the Cross;
and now as we venerate the wood of the Cross,
we trample underfoot the cunning plots of enemies.
We have Christ as our champion,
Who was raised up on it in the flesh, //
and killed the serpent, saving mankind.

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

You adorned your soul, O glorious martyr,
with the beauties of virginity and the blood of martyrdom.
You were betrothed to the Creator,
Who truly has preserved you incorrupt for the ages.
Therefore you join the choir with the ranks of Archangels and Angels,
the Apostles, Prophets and Martyrs, //
O most-praised Euphemia.

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

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with the beauties of virginity and the blood of martyrdom.
You were betrothed to the Creator,
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O most-praised Euphemia.

v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

You were bound to wheels of torture,
torn in pieces by wild beasts.
your mind was sharpened with fire and water by the Spirit of God;
you courageously drowned the princes of darkness with the streams of your
blood.

You hastened to the spiritual bridal chambers, //
offering your suffering as a dowry to your Bridegroom, O Euphemia.

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

Though you have died, you live forever, O martyr.
You have poured streams of blood to the praise of the Lord,
watering the faithful and illumining them with understanding,
but drowning the unbelieving enemy.
Therefore the divine scroll of the teachings of the Church was given to you //
and you preserve and hold it forever.

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

You are adorned with virtues, O all-glorious Euphemia.
You are radiant with reason;
you are myrrh poured forth in the hearts of the faithful.
You rose from the East as a shining star.
You taught the assembly of the holy fathers by the visitation of the Holy Spirit://

Do not cease to beseech the Lord for us that He may save our souls!
now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

No tongue can speak of your wonderful childbearing,
for the order of nature was overruled by God.
You were revealed to be a Mother above nature,
for you remained a Virgin beyond reason and understanding.
Your conception was most glorious, O Theotokos!
The manner of your giving birth was ineffable, O Virgin!
Knowing you to be the Mother of God,
devoutly we pray to you://
“Beseech Him to save our souls!”
Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend!
Choir: O Gladsome Light ... (p. 16)

Aposticha – Tone 7

As the Savior of the world You arose from the tomb.
As God You resurrected the race of men with Your flesh.//
O Lord, glory to You!

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

Come, let us worship the One Who rose from the dead,
and enlightened all creation!
By His death, He saved us from the torments of hell.//
By His Resurrection He has granted eternal life and great mercy.

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

Into Hades You descended
capturing death, O Christ.
In three days You arose again,
Resurrecting us who glorify Your Resurrection,//
O Lord and Lover of mankind.

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

When You were placed in the tomb as one asleep,
the sight was great and awesome.
But when You arose on the third day as almighty God,
You resurrected Adam with Yourself.//
Glory to Your Resurrection, O only Lover of man!

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

Let every tongue be moved to sing the praise of the all-glorious Euphemia!
Let us all, every race and every age, youths and virgins,
crown the virgin martyr of Christ with praise!
Showing virile courage and casting aside feminine weakness,
she brought low the tyrant with the pains of her sufferings.
She is adorned with a heavenly and divine crown//
and entreats her Bridegroom and God that He may grant us great mercy.

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

Moses prefigured the Cross and defeated Amalek;
David ordered worship at Your footstool.
So today we sinners venerate it with unworthy lips, O Christ God.
We cry to You, the Crucified One://
“O Lord, with the thief, make us worthy of Your Kingdom!”

Then, St. Symeon’s Prayer (p. 25)

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 7

By Your Cross You destroyed death.
To the thief You opened Paradise.
For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy.
And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God,
to proclaim that You are risen//
granting the world great mercy.

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

Troparion for the Greatmartyr – Tone 4

Your lamb Euphemia calls out to You, O Jesus, in a loud voice:
“I love You, my Bridegroom and in seeking You, I endure suffering.
In baptism I was crucified so that I might reign in You,
and I died so that I might live with You.
Accept me as a pure sacrifice,
for I have offered myself in love!”
Through her prayers save our souls, since You are merciful!

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

Troparion for the Afterfeast – Tone 1

O Lord, save Your people
and bless Your inheritance!
Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians
over their adversaries;
and by virtue of Your Cross//
preserve Your habitation!
saving our souls from death.

Then, the dismissal (p. 26)
