Bright Week Orthros

Priest: Glory to the Holy, Consubstantial, Life-giving and Undivided Trinity, always: now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Reader: Amen.

Priest: (tone 5) Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs:

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Priest: Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Him flee from before His face.

Reader: Christ is risen from the dead ...

Priest: As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melteth before the fire.

Reader: Christ is risen from the dead ...

Priest: So let sinners perish at the presence of God; and let the righteous be glad.

Reader: Christ is risen from the dead ...

Priest: This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein.

Reader: Christ is risen from the dead ...

Priest: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Reader: Christ is risen from the dead ...

Priest: Both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Reader: Christ is risen from the dead ...

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in

the tombs:

Reader: Bestowing life.

THE GREAT LITANY

Priest: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For the peace from above and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For the peace of the whole world, the good estate of the holy churches of God, and the union of all men, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For this holy house, and those who with faith, reverence and the fear of God enter therein, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our (metropolitan or archbishop or bishop), N., the honorable presbytery, the diaconate in Christ, all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our President (or appropriate head of state), civil authorities and armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For this city, and every city and countryside, and the faithful who dwell therein, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For healthful seasons, abundant of the fruits of the earth and peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For travelers by sea, by land and by air, the sick, the suffering, captives and their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our deliverance from all tribulation, wrath, danger and necessity, let us pray

to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Calling to remembrance our all-holy, immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and each other and all our life unto Christ our God.

Reader: To Thee, O Lord.

Priest: For unto Thee are due all glory, honor and worship: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Reader: Amen.

The Paschal Canon

Ode 1 It is the day of resurrection, be illumined, people ... etc.

Ode 3 O come, let us drink a beverage new ... etc.

Ode 4 May inspired Habukkuk now stand with us ... etc.

Ode 5 Early in the morning let us arise ... etc.

Ode 6 Thou didst descend to the nether region of earth ... etc.

Ode 7 He Who delivered the children from the furnace ... etc.

We praise, bless and worship the Lord.

Ode 8 This is the chosen and holy day, first of Sabbaths ... etc.

Priest: The Theotokos and Mother of the Light, let us honor and magnify in song.

Ode 9 Shine, shine ... etc.

The angel cried to the Lady full of grace ... etc.

Shine, shine ... etc.

Priest: Again and again in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

Reader: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Calling to remembrance our all-holy, immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and each other and all our life unto Christ our God.

Reader: To Thee, O Lord.

Priest: For all the powers of heaven praise Thee and unto Thee do they ascribe glory: to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Reader: Amen.

The Exaposteilarion in Tone 2

When Thou hadst fallen asleep in the flesh as one mortal, O King and Lord, Thou didst rise again on the third day, raising up Adam from corruption, and abolishing deth: O Pascha of incorruption! O Salvation of the world! (thrice)

The Praises

(Mon. Tone 2, Tues. Tone 3, Wed. Tone 4, Thurs. Tone 5, Fri. Tone 6, Sat Tone 8)

Let everything that hath breath, praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord from the heavens. Praise Him in the heights. To Thee, O God, is due our song.

Praise ye Him, all His angels. Praise ye Him, all His hosts. To Thee, O God, is due our song.

The Paschal Stichera

Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Him flee from before His face.

Today a Sacred Pascha is revealed to us ... etc.

As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melteth before the fire.

Come from that scene, O women bearers of good news ... etc.

So let sinners perish at the presence of God; and let the righteous be glad.

The myrrh-bearing women, early in the morning ... etc.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein.

Pascha of beauty, Pascha of the Lord ... etc.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

It is the Day of Resurrection, be illumined for the feast ... etc.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (thrice)

The New Testament Readings

(read only if the Divine Liturgy does not follow Orthros)

Priest: Wisdom.

Reader: The reading is from the _____

Priest: Let us attend.

Reader: chants the appointed Epistle

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit. Allelluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Priest: Wisdom. Stand upright. Let us hear the holy gospel. +Peace be to all.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Priest: The reading is from the holy Gospel according to St. N.

Reader: Glory to thee, O Lord. Glory to thee.

Priest: chants the appointed Gospel

Reader: Glory to thee, O Lord. Glory to thee.

Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our Hope, glory to Thee.

Reader: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. Lord, have mercy. (three times) Father, bless.

Priest: May He who rose from again from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother ... etc.

Priest: Christ is risen!

People: Indeed, He is risen!

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Priest: Glory to His holy third-day Resurrection.

People: We adore His third-day Resurrection.

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down by death and upon those in the tombs

Reader: bestowing life.