

SUNDAY 1 JANUARY 2017

The Circumcision of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ • Saint Basil the Great

MATINS

“**God is the Lord...**” with its stichoi in Tone 3 followed by the **Troparia**:

Tone 3 Troparion of the Resurrection Green Book page 6

Glory ...

Tone 1 Troparion of Saint Basil the Great Sheet

Both now ...

Tone 1 Troparion of the Circumcision Sheet

The **First Kathisma** and **Second Kathisma** as follows:

First Kathisma

Christ is risen from the dead, He Who is the first-fruits of those that slept: the First-born of creation and the Creator of all things created! He hath renewed by Himself the nature of our corrupt race. Wherefore, O Death, Thou shalt reign no more; for the Lord of all hath nullified and dissolved thy power.

Glory ...

O just and wise Basil, standing by the Trinity, entreat that we who now sing thy hymns and who honour thy sacred memory may on the Day of Judgment be given mercy, divine grace, and forgiveness of offences; so that we might sing with mouth and heart praise and glory to Him who alone loveth mankind.

Both now ...

The Master of the world and Creator of all things, the One who is on high with the Father and the Spirit, on earth has been circumcised as an infant just eight days old. O Lord, divine and wonderful indeed are all Thy works! Thou wast circumcised for us, O loving Master, the Fulfilment of the Mosaic Law.

Second Kathisma

Because of Thine immutable Divinity, O Lord, and Thy voluntary sufferings, Hades was overwhelmed, and groaned within itself, saying, “Verily, I am in dread fear of the Person of this incorruptible Body; for I see the unseen fighting me secretly, and behold those whom I have held crying, ‘Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!’”

Glory ...

Having drawn out the mystical wealth of God’s inexpressible Wisdom as from a well, thou didst store up the waters of Orthodoxy for all, gladdening the hearts of the faithful with godly joy, and drowning the dogmas of heretics. Therefore by thy labours for the truth thou didst become an invincible champion of the all-holy Trinity. Holy Hierarch Basil, intercede with Christ our God that He grant forgiveness of offences to those who eagerly keep thy holy memory.

Both now ...

Since Thou art an ocean of love for mankind, Thou, O Lord, hast put on the form of us Thy servants and slaves, and Thou wast circumcised in the flesh; and thus Thou didst grant great mercy to all mankind.

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Third Kathisma

Thou didst refute obscure heresies by thy godly words, drowning the arrogance and the folly of Arius, and preaching to mankind that the Spirit is God indeed. And by lifting thy hands in prayer thou didst slay thine enemies, exiling the worship of Sabellius, and annulling all the opinions of Nestorius. Wherefore, O Holy Hierarch Basil, intercede with Christ our God that He grant forgiveness of offences to those who eagerly keep thy holy memory

Glory ...

The grace of thy divine words and the mystic height of thy teachings hath been for us a ladder of divine ascent. For thou, O father, having obtained a spiritual trumpet, hast proclaimed upon it divine doctrines. Therefore thou dwellest in green pastures, having received the rewards of thy labours. O Holy Hierarch Basil, intercede with Christ our God that He grant forgiveness of offences to those who eagerly keep thy holy memory.

Both now ...

The Creator and Lord of all, Who took flesh from thy holy womb, did reveal thee, O all-blameless Lady, as the protectress of all mankind. Wherefore we the faithful now have recourse to thee, asking forgiveness of sins, deliverance from everlasting punishment, and from every adversity inflicted by the prince of the world. Wherefore do we cry unto thee: Intercede with thy Son and God to grant forgiveness of sins to those who worship in faith thine All-holy Child.

Polieley is sung

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Troparia of the Resurrection / Evlogetaria are sung

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The **Hypakoë**, **Anabathmoi** and the **Prokeimenon** with its accompanying stichos are all from the Octoechos Tone 3.

The 6th Eothinon Gospel is read from the Holy Table.

After the Gospel:

“Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ ...”

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Psalm 50

Troparia following Psalm 50

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The Intercession

The **Great Doxology** with the Troparion “Today is salvation come unto the world ...”

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DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT BASIL

TYPICAL PSALMS AND BEATITUDES

ENTRANCE HYMN

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

TROPARIA AND KONTAKIA

Tone 3	Troparion of the Resurrection	Green Book page 6
Tone 1	Troparion of the Circumcision	Sheet
Tone 1	Troparion of Saint Basil the Great Glory ...	Sheet
Tone 4	Kontakion of St Basil Both now ...	Sheet
Tone 3	Kontakion of the Circumcision	Sheet

TRISAGION

PROKEIMENON Tone 6

O Lord, save Thy people * and bless Thine inheritance!

v: To thee, O Lord, will I call; O my God, be not silent to me!

PROKEIMENON Tone 1

My mouth shall speak wisdom * and the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

EPISTLE: Colossians 2:8-12 & Hebrews 7:26-8:2

ALLELUIA

v: O God, be bountiful to us and bless us, show the light of Thy countenance upon us, and have mercy on us!

v: That we may know Thy way upon the earth, and Thy salvation among all nations.

v: Give ear, O shepherd of Israel, Thou Who leadest Joseph like a flock!

GOSPEL: Luke 2:20-21, 40-52 & Luke 6:17-23a

MEGALYNARION

“All of creation rejoices in thee ...”

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COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

AFTER COMMUNION

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Instead of “We have seen the True Light”, sing the Troparion of the Circumcision (Sheet).