

Hymns and Readings for Sunday 16th January 2022

30th Sunday after Pentecost

Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and All-Glorious Apostle Peter

TROPARIA & KONTAKIA

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 5

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Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born for our salvation from the Virgin;
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,
to endure death,
and to raise the dead//
by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

As a Bishop thou gavest thyself
to preaching the truth and the purity of the Church.
Thou didst shine forth as an example of humility and holiness;
studying the Scriptures, thou tookest care to follow the Word.
Pray for thy children, O Holy Father Chad,
that we too may follow Christ,//
and be found worthy to partake of the nature of God.

Troparion of the Chains of Saint Peter in Tone 4

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Thou didst come to us without leaving Rome
through the precious chains that thou didst wear.
First-enthroned of the Apostles,
we bow down to them in faith and pray://
“Through thy prayers to God grant us great mercy!”

Kontakion of the Resurrection in Tone 5

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Thou didst descend into hell, O my Saviour,
shattering its gates as Almighty,
resurrecting the dead as Creator,
and destroying the sting of death.
Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man,//
and we cry to Thee: “O Lord, save us!”

Kontakion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

When thou wast praying to Christ, O venerable Chad,
the choir of the angels came to call thee to thy reward.
Then thou wast summoned to share
in the Thrice Holy song with the seraphim.
Pray thou that we may live as icons of the cherubim,//
rejoicing before the Trinity, the Giver of life.
Both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

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

Kontakion of the Chains of Saint Peter in Tone 2

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Christ the Rock radiantly glorifies the Rock of Faith,
the first-enthroned of the disciples;
He calls us to honour the miracles wrought through Peter’s chains,//
so that He may grant us forgiveness of our sins.

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

Steadfast Protectress of Christians in Tone 6

[Music on website]

Steadfast Protectress of Christians,
Constant advocate before the Creator,
despise not the cry of us sinners,
but in thy goodness
come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith.
Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos,
for thou dost ever protect those who honour thee.

PROKEIMENA

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fifth Tone.

Reader: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us, and preserve us from this generation forever.

Choir: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us, and preserve us from this generation forever.

Reader: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

Choir: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us, and preserve us from this generation forever.

Reader: And in the Eighth Tone.

Reader: Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe.

Choir: Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe.

EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Colossians.

Ye Brethren: when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away; anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all. [Colossians 3:12-16]

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword; and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison; but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. The very night when Herod was about to bring him out, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison; and behold, an angel of the Lord appeared, and a light shone in the cell; and he struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, "Get up quickly." And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, "Dress yourself and put on your sandals." And he did so. And he said to him, "Wrap your mantle around you and follow me." And he went out and followed him; he did not know that what was done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened to them of its own accord, and they went out and passed on through one street; and immediately the angel left him. And Peter came to himself, and said, "Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting." [Acts 12:1-11]

ALLELUIA

Reader: And with thy spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reader: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

At that time: As Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well." [Luke 17:12-19]

At that time: Jesus revealed himself to his disciples after he was raised from the dead, and said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go." (This he said to show by what death he was to glorify God.) And after this he said to him, "Follow me." Peter turned and saw following them the disciple whom Jesus loved, who had lain close to his breast at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?" When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?" Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!" The saying spread abroad among the brethren that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?" [John 21:15-23]

ZADOSTOYNIK

[[Music on website](#)]

It is truly meet to bless thee, O Theotokos,
ever blessed and most pure, and the Mother of our God.
More honourable than the Cherubim,
and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim:
without defilement thou gavest birth to God the Word:
true Theotokos, we magnify thee!

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!