

Hymns and Readings for Sunday 20th November 2022

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Forefeast of the Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple

Venerable Gregory of Decapolis ♦ Saint Proclus, Archbishop of Constantinople

THE HOURS

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE THIRD HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Saints Gregory & Proclus; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Resurrection

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE SIXTH HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Forefeast of the Entrance; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Saint Gregory

THE DIVINE LITURGY

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, alleluia, alleluia!

TROPARIA & KONTAKIA

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 6

[[Music on website / Green Book page 12](#)]

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb;
the guards became as dead men.

Mary stood by Thy grave,
seeking Thy most pure body.

Thou didst capture hell
not being tempted by it.

Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life.//

O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee.

Troparion of the Forefeast in Tone 4

[[Music on website / Sheet](#)]

Today Anna bequeaths joy to all instead of sorrow,
by bringing forth her fruit, the only ever-Virgin.

In fulfilment of her vow,

today with joy she brings to the temple of the Lord//
the true temple and pure Mother of God the Word.

Troparion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

[[Music in Folder](#)]

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 Saints Gregory & Proclus in Tone 4

[[Music on website / Sheet](#)]

The twofold lamps of divine gifts,

Proclus, shepherd of New Rome, and Gregory, scion of Decapolis,

guide us by the light of grace as divinely-inspired fathers.

Let us draw near and eagerly beseech them,//

that we may receive forgiveness and salvation of our souls!

Kontakion of the Resurrection in Tone 6[\[Music on website / Green Book page 12\]](#)

When Christ God the Giver of Life,
raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand,
He bestowed resurrection on the human race.//
He is the Saviour of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

Kontakion of Saint Chad in Tone 2[\[Folder\]](#)

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.

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

Kontakion of Saint Gregory in Tone 3[\[Music on website / Sheet\]](#)

The Church knows thee to be a brilliant sun
enlightening all with the rays of healing and the beauty of virtue.
Therefore, as we celebrate thine honoured memory,
We glorify thy struggles,//
ever-blest and all-wise Father Gregory.

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

Kontakion of the Forefeast in Tone 4[\[Music on website / Sheet\]](#)

Today the universe is filled with joy
at the glorious feast of the Mother of God,//
and cries out: "She is the heavenly tabernacle."

THE TRISAGION

PROKEIMENON

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Sixth Tone.

Reader: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

Choir: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

Reader: To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me.

Choir: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

Reader: O Lord, save Thy people

Choir: and bless Thine inheritance.

EPISTLE

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

Ye Brethren: God who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with him, and made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God: not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

[Ephesians 2:4-10]

ALLELUIA

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest, and to all the people.

Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: He that dwelleth in the shelter of the Most High shall abide in the shadow of the God of heaven.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: He will say to the Lord: My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

The Lord spoke this parable: "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." As he said these things, he cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." [Luke 12:16-21]

ZADOSTOYNIK

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 HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

AFTER COMMUNION

"We have seen the True Light ..." etc., as usual.