

Sunday, October 9, 2022
17th Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 8

Troparion:

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection: glory to Thee!

O Prophet and Forerunner of the coming of Christ, in spite of our honor and devotion we are unable to give you worthy praise, through your glorious and noble birth your mother's childlessness was ended, your father's tongue was freed, and the incarnation of the Son of God was proclaimed to the world.

Chosen by God in a turbulent time, You glorified God in complete holiness; And attained greatness through humility You showed forth the power of God through simplicity and piety; You laid down your life for the Church and her people, O Holy Confessor and Patriarch, Father Tikhon, Pray to Christ God with Whom you were also crucified That He may save our souls.

Kontakion:

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy Rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

A gentle manner adorned You, You showed kindness and compassion to those who repented, You were firm and unbending in confessing the Orthodox Faith And zealous in loving the Lord. O Holy Hierarch of Christ and Confessor Tikhon Pray for us that we may not be separated from the love of God Which is of Christ Jesus, our King and Lord.

Steadfast Protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator, despise not the entreating cry of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, For you always ever protect those who honor you!

Prokeimenon in the 8th Tone:

Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!
(Vs.) In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel!

Tone 1 (St. Tikhon):

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

Epistle:

The reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians. (2 Cor. 6:16-7:1)

Brethren, what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for His own sins and then for those of the people; He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord. (Heb. 7:26-8:2)

Alleluia Verses:

Come let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

(Vs.) Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

Tone 2 (St. Tikhon):

The mouth of the righteous shall meditate wisdom and his tongue shall speak of judgment.

Gospel:

The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke. (Chapter 7:11-16)

At that time it came to pass that Jesus went to a town called Nain; and several of His disciples and a large crowd went with Him. And as He came close to the gate of the town, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large gathering from the town was with her. And the Lord, seeing her, was sorry for her, and said to her, "Do not weep." And He went up and touched the stretcher; and the bearers stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the one who was dead sat up, and began to speak. And He gave him to his mother. But fear seized them all, and they began to glorify God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us." And "God has visited His people."

The Lord said, "I am the Door. If any one enters by me he shall be safe, and shall go in and out, and shall find pastures. The thief comes only to steal, and kill, and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it more abundantly. I am the Good Shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep. But the hired hand, who is not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees. And the wolf snatches and scatters the sheep; but the hired hand flees because he is a hireling, and has no concern for the sheep. I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, even as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And other sheep I have that are not of this fold. Them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice, and there shall be one fold and one shepherd."

(John 10:9-16)