# Sunday, November 27, 2022 24th Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 7

## Troparion:

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy!

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.

#### Kontakion:

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers! Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry: The Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

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 7th Tone:

The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace. (Vs.) Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

### Epistle:

The reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians. (Eph. 2:14-22)

Brethren, for He is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in His flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

#### Alleluia Verses:

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy name, O Most High! (Vs.) To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night!

#### Gospel:

The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke. (Chapter 13:10-17)

At that time Jesus was teaching in one of their synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who for eighteen years had had a sickness caused by a spirit; and she was bent over and utterly unable to look up. When Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are delivered from your infirmity." And He laid His hands upon her, and instantly she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant that Jesus was curing on the Sabbath, addressed the crowd, saying, "There are six days in which one ought to work; on these therefore come and be cured, and not on the Sabbath." But the Lord answered him and said, "Hypocrites! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath let go his ox or colt from the manger, and lead it out to water? And this woman, daughter of Abraham as she is, whom Satan has bound, lo, for eighteen years, ought not she too be released from this bond on the Sabbath?" And as He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and the entire crowd rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.