

MARCH 26, 2022 - Leavetaking of the Annunciation, Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel

FIRST ANTIPHON

Give the king your judgments, O God, and your righteousness to the king's Son. *(Psalm 71:1)*

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

The mountains will bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness. *(Psalm 71:3)*

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Proclaim from day to day the Salvation of our God. *(Psalm 95:2)*

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

The Lord has sworn in truth to David; He will not turn from it: of the fruit of your body will I set upon your throne. *(Psalm 131:11)*

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

SECOND ANTIPHON

He shall come down as a rain upon a fleece, and as the dew which falls upon the earth. *(Psalm 71:6)*

Refrain: O Son of God, who were incarnated for us, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

The Most High has sanctified His tabernacle. *(Psalm 45:4b)*

Refrain: O Son of God, who were incarnated for us, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Our God shall plainly come, and shall not keep silence. *(Psalm 49:3a)*

Refrain: O Son of God, who were incarnated for us, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

In His days righteousness shall shine forth, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endures. *(Psalm 71:7)*

Refrain: O Son of God, who were incarnated for us, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

The Lord is high above all the nations; His Glory is above the heavens. *(Psalm 112:4)*

Refrain: O Son of God, who were incarnated for us, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God, Who for our salvation willed to be incarnate of the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, Who without change became man and were crucified, O Christ our God, trampling down death by death, Who are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit - save us!

THIRD ANTIPHON

His name shall be blessed forever, His name shall continue longer than the sun. *(Psalm 71:17a)*

Tone 4 Today is the beginning of our salvation, the revelation of the eternal mystery! The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin as Gabriel announces the coming of Grace. Together with him let us cry to the Birthgiver of God: Rejoice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you!

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. *(Psalm 71:18a)*

Today is the beginning of our salvation...

And blessed be His glorious Name to the ages, and to the ages of ages. *(Psalm 71:19a)*

Today is the beginning of our salvation...

Deacon: Wisdom! Upright!

Chanter: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, **O Son of God, who were incarnated for us, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

TROPARIA

Tone 4 Today is the beginning of our salvation, the revelation of the eternal mystery! The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin as Gabriel announces the coming of Grace. Together with him let us cry to the Birthgiver of God: Rejoice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you!

Tone 4 In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, / a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence, / so you won the heights by humility, and riches by poverty, / O Holy Father Nicholas, / intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.

KONTAKION

Tone 4 To you, defender leader, O Birthgiver of God, / I your city, delivered from dread, ascribe this thankful feast of victory. / But as one who has invincible dominion, / Free me from all dangers, so that I cry to you: / "Rejoice, O Bride unwedded!"

The prokeimenon in the fourth tone: He makes His angels spirits, / and His ministers a flame of fire. (Psalm 103:5)

v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, You are very great! (Psalm 103:1)

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE HEBREWS (2:2-10)

Brethren: if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that You are mindful of him, or the son of man, that You care for him? You made him for a little while lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Tone 5 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v. Praise Him, all His angels, praise Him, all His hosts! (Psalms 148:2)

v. For He spoke, and they came into being; He commanded, and they were created. (Psalms 148:5)

GOSPEL Luke 10:16-21

COMMUNION HYMN He makes His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. (Psalm 103:5)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!