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# The Service of Matins

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**Mode 1. Eothion 4**

**Katavasia of Christmas I**

**Text in English**

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**CHOIR**

**Mode 1.**

God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (SAAS)

**Verse 1:** *Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His holy name.*

**Verse 2:** *All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the Lord I defended myself against them.*

**Verse 3:** *And this came about from the Lord, and it is wonderful in our eyes.*

From Octoechos ---

**Resurrectional Apolytikion.**

**Mode 1. Automelon.**

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, \* and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. \* You rose on the third day, O Lord \* and Savior, granting life unto the world. \* And therefore the powers of heaven cried to You, O Life-giver: \* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; \* glory to Your kingdom; \* glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

(SD)

Glory. **Repeat.**

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, \* and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. \* You rose on the third day, O Lord \* and Savior, granting life unto the world. \* And therefore the powers of heaven cried to You, O Life-giver: \* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; \* glory to Your kingdom; \* glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

(SD)

From Octoechos ---

Both now. **Theotokion.**

**Mode 1. The stone had been secured.**

When Gabriel had uttered rejoice to you, O Virgin, \* then with the voice was the Lord of all becoming incarnate \* in you whom the holy Ark of old \* prefigured, as righteous David said. \* You carried your Creator and proved to be more spacious than the heavens. \* Glory to Him who dwelt inside of you; \* glory to Him who came forth from You; \* glory be to Him who through your childbirth has set us free. (SD)

**DEACON**

Again and again in peace let us pray to the Lord.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and protect us, O God, by your grace.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

Remembering our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

*(To You, O Lord.)*

**PRIEST**

For yours is the dominion, and yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

*(Amen.)*

From Octoechos ---

**CHOIR**

**Kathisma I.**

**Mode 1. Automelon.**

The soldiers keeping watch at Your tomb, O my Savior, \* became as dead for fear of the radiant Angel. \* And he proclaimed that You arose to the women who came at dawn. \* We

extol You, Lord, for You abolished corruption,  
\* and we worship You, our only God, who  
was buried \* and rose from the sepulcher. (SD)

Glory.

*The soldiers keeping watch.*

You willingly were nailed to the Cross,  
loving Master; \* as mortal You were laid in  
a tomb, O Life-giver. \* By Your own death  
did You destroy death's dominion, O Mighty  
One. \* For the sentries of Hades in fear of You  
shuddered. \* With yourself You raised those  
who were dead from the ages, \* for You alone  
love mankind. (SD)

Both now. **Theotokion.**

*The soldiers keeping watch.*

All we who run to you and with longing  
take refuge \* in your good-will know you, \*  
Theotokos, as truly \* a Mother who remained  
a virgin even after you had given birth. \* Now  
we sinners have you as our only protection. \*  
In temptation we rely on you for salvation, \* O  
only all-blameless one. (SD)

From Octoechos - - -

## **Kathisma II.**

**Mode 1.** *The stone had been secured.*

The women went early in the morning  
to the gravesite, \* and when they beheld the  
appearance of an angel they trembled. \* The  
sepulcher radiated life; the wonder filled  
them with astonishment. \* Hence they went  
away, proclaiming the resurrection unto the  
Disciples. \* "Christ has despoiled Hades, as  
the One \* mighty and only powerful, \* and  
He raised up all who were corrupted, \* and  
dispelled the fear of condemnation, by the  
power of the Cross." (SD)

Glory.

*The stone had been secured.*

When You the Life of the universe  
were nailed unto the Cross, \* and You were  
reckoned among the dead, O Lord, the  
Immortal One, \* O Savior, on the third day  
You arose, \* and resurrected Adam from  
decay. \* For this reason were the powers  
of heaven crying out to You, O Life-giver:  
\* Glory to Your sufferings, O Christ; \*  
glory to Your Resurrection; \* glory to Your  
condescension, only One who loves mankind.

(SD)

Both now. **Theotokion.**

*The soldiers keeping watch.*

O Mary, who became the Master's  
hallowed vessel, \* now raise us up, for  
we have fallen into the chasm \* of awful  
despondency, and transgressions and  
suffering. \* For you have indeed become  
salvation for sinners, \* and their help in need  
and their prevailing protection; \* and you save  
your servants. (SD)

**Resurrectional Evlogetaria.**

**Mode pl. 1.**

*Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your  
statutes.*

When the hosts of the Angels saw how  
You were accounted among the dead, they  
all marveled. You, O Savior, are the One who  
destroyed the might of death; and when You  
arose You raised Adam with yourself and  
from Hades liberated everyone. (SD)

*Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your  
statutes.*

"Why do you mingle the ointments with  
your tears full of pity, O women disciples?"

Thus the Angel who was shining in the tomb cried to the myrrh-bearing women. "See for yourselves the empty tomb and understand, that the Savior has risen from the sepulcher."

(SD)

*Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your statutes.*

Very early in the morning, the myrrh-bearing women were hastening to Your tomb lamenting. But the Angel appeared to them and uttered, "The time for lamentation has ended; weep no more. Go announce the Resurrection to the Apostles." (SD)

*Blessed are You, O Lord, teach me Your statutes.*

When the myrrh-bearing women had come with their spices to Your sepulcher, O Savior, they heard the voice of an Angel clearly speaking to them, "Why do you account among the dead the One who lives? For as God, He has risen from the sepulcher."

(SD)

Glory.

We bow down in worship to the Father and His Son and the Holy Spirit, the Holy Trinity, one in essence; and we cry aloud with the Seraphim: Holy, Holy, Holy are You, O Lord. (SD)

Both now.

Giving birth to the Giver of life, O Virgin, you delivered Adam from sin, and to Eve you have rendered joy in place of sorrow. He who from you became incarnate, God and man, has directed to life him who fell from it. (SD)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Glory to You, O God. (3)

## DEACON

Again and again in peace let us pray to the Lord.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and protect us, O God, by your grace.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

Remembering our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

*(To You, O Lord.)*

## PRIEST

For blessed is your name, and glorified is your kingdom, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

*(Amen.)*

From Octoechos ---

## READER

### Hypakoe.

The repentance of the robber plundered Paradise, while the lament of the myrrh-bearing women revealed the joy. For You had risen, O Christ our God, bestowing on the world the great mercy. (SD)

## CHOIR

### Anavathmoi.

### Antiphon I. Mode 1.

When I am afflicted, hearken to my distress; Lord, to You I cry out. (SD)

Ceaseless does divine longing become in those who dwell in the wilderness, outside of the futile world as they are. (SD)

Glory. Both now.

To the Holy Spirit do both honor and glory belong, as to the Father and the Son. Let us therefore sing in praise to the Trinity and one dominion. (SD)

### Antiphon II.

Having lifted me up to the mountains of Your laws, brighten me with virtues, O God, that I may praise You. (SD)

With Your right hand embracing me, O Logos, be my keeper, shelter me, so that the fire of sin not burn me. (SD)

Glory. Both now.

By the Holy Spirit all creation is renewed, and thus returns unto its first state. For He is equal in power to the Father and the Logos. (SD)

### Antiphon III.

Because they said to me, Let us journey to the courts of the Lord, my spirit has been cheered, and my heart rejoices also. (SD)

On the house of David there is great fear; for there, when thrones have been placed, all the tribes and tongues of the earth will be judged. (SD)

Glory. Both now.

To the Holy Spirit honor, worship, glory and dominion, as befit the Father and the Son, must also be offered. For the Trinity is a Monad, in nature but not in persons. (SD)

### Prokeimenon.

"Now I will arise," says the Lord; "I will establish them in salvation; I will declare it boldly." (2)

**Verse:** *The words of the Lord are pure words, like silver fired in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.*

"Now I will arise," says the Lord; "I will establish them in salvation; I will declare it boldly." (SAAS)

From Octoechos - - -

### READER

### Resurrectional Kontakion.

You arose from the sepulcher in glory as God, and with yourself resurrected the world. And mortal nature extolled You as God, and death was obliterated, and Adam is dancing, O Master; and Eve, now redeemed from the bonds, rejoices crying out: O Christ, You are He who grants resurrection to all. (SD)

### Oikos.

Let us extol, as omnipotent God, the One who rose on the third day, and who smashed the gates of Hades, and who raised from the tomb those who were there from all time, and who was seen by the myrrh-bearing women as He so willed, uttering to them first of all the greeting, Rejoice, and to the Apostles declaring the joy, as the only Giver of life. Therefore in faith the women announce to the Disciples the tokens of victory. And Hades groans, and Death laments, and the world exults and all people rejoice together. For You, O Christ, are He who grants resurrection to all. (SD)

### Synaxarion.

*From the Menaion.*

On November 29, we commemorate the contest of the holy Martyr Paramonos and his 370 fellow holy martyrs.

Today we also commemorate the holy Martyr Philumenos.

Today we commemorate our devout father Nicholas, Archbishop of Thessaloniki; and also the holy hieromartyr John of Persia; and the six holy Martyrs who were chased and then a rock split open and let them in.

On this day St. Urban, Bishop of Macedonia, died in peace.

On this day St. Dionysios, Bishop of Corinth, died after being wounded by a sword.

On this day devout St. Pancosmios died in peace.

On this day devout St. Pitiroun died in peace.

On this day the holy martyr Valerinus died by the sword.

On this day St. Fedros died when boiling pitch was poured over him.

By the intercessions of Your saints, O God, have mercy on us. Amen.

## CHOIR

### Katavasia of Christmas I

#### Ode i. Mode 1.

Christ is born; glorify Him! \* Christ is come from heaven; go and meet Him. \* Christ is on earth; arise to Him. \* Sing to the Lord, all you who dwell on the earth; \* and in merry spirits, O you peoples, praise His birth. \* For He is glorified. (SD)

#### Ode iii.

To the Son, begotten \* without flux, of the Father, before the ages, \* and who was lately made incarnate \* of the Virgin without seed; \*

to Christ God now let us cry aloud: \* You have exalted the horn of our strength. Only You are holy, O Lord. (SD)

#### Ode iv.

Jesse's root produced a branch, O Christ, \* and You its flower blossomed forth, \* from the Virgin who by Habakkuk prophetically once was called \* overshadowed, dense mountain. \* From her who knew not man You came incarnate, \* the immaterial God. \* Glory to Your power, O Lord. (SD)

#### Ode v.

God of peace and Father of mercies, Your Son \* You have sent unto us as Your messenger, \* the Angel of great counsel who is granting peace to all. \* Therefore having been guided to the light of godly knowledge, \* waking from the night to dawn, we sing Your glory, O Lover of man. (SD)

#### Ode vi.

Such as it received \* Jonah as an embryo, the sea beast disgorged him from its bowels intact. \* With the Virgin, though, when the Logos had dwelt in her taking on flesh, \* He came forth from her preserving her yet incorrupt. \* For from her no fluxion suffered He, \* and He kept her unaltered in childbirth. (SD)

#### Ode vii.

The Servants nurtured piously together, \* with contempt regarding the impious king's decree, \* intrepidly faced the threat of holocaust, \* and while standing in the midst of flames they chanted thus, \* saying: O God of the fathers, You are blessed. (SD)

**Ode viii.**

*We praise and we bless and we worship the Lord.*

Babylon's bedewing furnace bore the image \* of an extraordinary wonder. \* For it did not burn the youths it accepted, \* nor did the fire of Divinity consume the Virgin's womb wherein it went. \* So let us melodiously chant in praise: \* Let all creation bless and extol the Lord, \* and let it exalt Him supremely to the ages. (SD)

**DEACON**

Let us pray to the Lord.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

**PRIEST**

For you are holy, our God, who rest among the Saints, and to you we give glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

**CHOIR**

Amen.

**Mode 2.**

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. (2) Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. (SAAS)

**DEACON**

Let us pray to the Lord our God that we may be made worthy to hear the holy Gospel.

*(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)*

**DEACON**

Wisdom! Arise! Let us hear the holy Gospel.

**PRIEST**

Peace be with all.

*(And with your spirit.)*

**PRIEST**

The reading is from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

**DEACON**

Let us be attentive!

*(Glory to You, O Lord. Glory to You.)*

**PRIEST**

*Eothinon 4  
Luke. (24:1-12)*

On the first day of the week at early dawn, the women went to the tomb, taking spices, which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise." And they remembered His words and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told this to the Apostles; but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home wondering at what had happened. (RSV)

*(Glory to You, O Lord. Glory to You.)*

**READER**

Having seen the Resurrection of Christ, let us worship the Holy Lord Jesus, the only sinless one. Your Cross do we worship, O Christ, and Your holy Resurrection do we hymn and glorify. For You are our God, we know no other but You, we call upon Your name. Come all the faithful, let us worship the holy Resurrection of Christ; for behold through the Cross, joy has come in all the world. Ever blessing the Lord, we extol His Resurrection. For enduring the Cross for us, He destroyed death by death. <sup>(SD)</sup>

**CHOIR**

**Psalm 50 (51).**

**Mode 2.** *(or the Mode of the week)*

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression.

Wash me thoroughly from my lawlessness and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my lawlessness, and my sin is always before me.

Against You only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight; that You may be justified in Your words, and overcome when You are judged.

For behold, I was conceived in transgressions, and in sins my mother bore me.

Behold, You love truth; You showed me the unknown and secret things of Your wisdom.

You shall sprinkle me with hyssop, and I will be cleansed; You shall wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow.

You shall make me hear joy and gladness; my bones that were humbled shall greatly rejoice.

Turn Your face from my sins, and blot out all my transgressions.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your guiding Spirit.

I will teach transgressors Your ways, and the ungodly shall turn back to You.

Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall greatly rejoice in Your righteousness.

O Lord, You shall open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

For if You desired sacrifice, I would give it; You will not be pleased with whole burnt offerings.

A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit, a broken and humbled heart God will not despise.

Do good, O Lord, in Your good pleasure to Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built.

Then you will be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with offerings and whole burnt offerings.

Then shall they offer young bulls on Your altar. [and have mercy on me, O God.] (SAAS)

Glory.

At the intercession of the Apostles, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. (SD)

Both now.

At the intercession of the Theotokos, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. (SD)

**Verse:** *Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression.*

Jesus, having risen from the grave as He foretold, has granted us eternal life and great mercy. (SD)

#### DEACON

O God, save your people and bless your inheritance. Look upon your world with mercy and compassion. Raise the Orthodox Christians in glory, and send down upon us your rich mercies, through the intercessions of our most pure Lady the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary, the power of the precious and life giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless Powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable and glorious prophet, and forerunner John the Baptist, the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy Apostles, our Fathers among the Saints, the great hierarchs and ecumenical teachers, Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, Athanasios, Cyril, and John the Merciful, patriarchs of Alexandria; Nicholas, bishop of Myra, Spyridon, bishop of Trimythous, Nektarios of Pentapolis, the wonder-workers; the holy, glorious great Martyrs George the Victorious, Demetrios the Myrobletes, Theodore the Teron, and Theodore the General, Menas the Wonderworker, the Hieromartyrs Haralambos and Eleftherios;

the holy, glorious, and victorious martyrs; the glorious great Martyr and all-laudable Euphemia; the holy and glorious Martyrs Thecla, Barbara, Anastasia, Katherine, Kyriake, Fotene, Marina, Paraskeve and Irene; of our holy God-bearing Fathers; (local patron saint); the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna; and of all your Saints. We beseech you, only merciful Lord, hear us sinners who pray to you and have mercy on us.

#### CHOIR

Lord, have mercy. (12)

#### PRIEST

Through the mercy, compassion, and love of mankind of your only-begotten Son, with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

#### DEACON

Let us honor and magnify in song the Theotokos and the Mother of the light.

#### CHOIR

#### Ode ix.

#### Megalynarion. Mode 1.

**Verse:** *My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. (RSV)*

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify. (SD)

**Verse:** *For he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. (RSV)*

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the

Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

**Verse:** *For he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation.* (RSV)

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

**Verse:** *He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.* (RSV)

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

**Verse:** *He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away.* (RSV)

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

**Verse:** *He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity for ever.* (RSV)

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth

to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

### **Katavasia. Mode 1.**

*O my soul, magnify her who is greater in honor and in glory than the armies of heaven.*

I see here a strange and paradoxical mystery. \* For, behold, the grotto is heaven; \* cherubic throne is the Virgin; \* the manger a grand space \* in which Christ our God the uncontainable reclined as a babe; \* Whom in extolling do we magnify. (SD)

### **DEACON**

Again and again in peace let us pray to the Lord.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and protect us, O God, by your grace.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

Remembering our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

*(To You, O Lord.)*

### **PRIEST**

For all the powers of heaven praise You and give You glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

*(Amen.)*

### **CHOIR**

#### **Mode 2.**

Holy is the Lord our God. (3) (SAAS)

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at the footstool of His feet.

For He is holy.

From Octoechos - - -

**The Fourth Eothinon.**

**Mode 2. *On the mountain.***

Let us with virtues dazzling bright \* envision two men standing \* in the life-bearing sepulcher \* wearing dazzling apparel \* beside the myrrh-bearing women \* who bow their faces to the earth. \* Let us be taught the rising of \* Him who rules over heaven. And let us run \* unto life within the tomb, joining Peter. \* Marveling at what has occurred, \* let us abide to see Christ. (SD)

**Theotokion. Same Melody.**

Lord, when You said the word "Rejoice," \* You reversed the ancestral \* sorrow and introduced instead \* in the world the ineffable joy of Your resurrection. \* Hence, O Life-giver, send out \* its light illumining the hearts, \* the light of Your compassion, by means of her \* who gave birth to You, so that we might cry out: \* O God-man and Lover of mankind, \* glory be to Your rising. (SD)

**Lauds. Mode 1.**

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. It is fitting to sing a hymn to You, O God. (SAAS)

Praise Him, all you His angels; praise Him, all you His hosts. It is fitting to sing a hymn to You, O God. (SAAS)

**Resurrectional Stichera.**

From Octoechos - - -

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*To fulfill among them the written judgment: this glory have all His holy ones.* (SAAS)

O Christ, we praise in song Your saving Passion, and Your resurrection do we glorify.

(SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*Praise God in His saints. praise Him in the firmament of His power.* (SAAS)

You endured crucifixion and abolished death and resurrected from the dead. Do therefore now bring peace into our life, O Lord, as the only Almighty One. (SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*Praise Him for His mighty acts, praise Him according to the abundance of His greatness.* (SAAS)

You stripped Hades of plunder, and humanity You resurrected by Your resurrection, O Christ. Do therefore now account us worthy with a pure heart to praise You and glorify. (SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*Praise Him with the sound of trumpet, praise Him with the harp and lyre.* (SAAS)

We glorify Your divine condescension, and we sing Your praise, O Christ. You were born of a Virgin, and from the Father You remained inseparable. You suffered as a man and voluntarily endured the Cross. As one emerging from a bridal chamber, You rose from the sepulcher, in order to save the world. Glory to You, O Lord. (SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*Praise Him with timbrel and dance, praise Him with strings and flute.* (SAAS)

When You were nailed to the tree of the Cross, then was the might of the enemy put to death. All creation trembled in fear of You, and Hades was despoiled by Your own might. You raised the dead from the graves, and for the robber You opened Paradise, O Christ our God. Glory to You. (SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*Praise Him with resounding cymbals, praise Him with triumphant cymbals. Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.* (SAAS)

The loyal women earnestly came unto Your grave lamenting. And finding that the sepulcher had been opened, and from the Angel learning of the novel and paradoxical wonder, they brought these tidings to the Apostles, that the Lord is risen, bestowing on the world His great mercy. (SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*Arise, O Lord my God, let Your hand be lifted high, and do not forget Your poor to the end.* (SAAS)

The divine stripes that You suffered at Your Passion we adore, O Christ our God, as well as the dominical sacrifice in Zion that was divinely manifested toward the end of the ages. For You, the Sun of Righteousness, have illuminated them that lay in darkness, leading them to the illumination that never wanes. Glory to You, O Lord. (SD)

**Sticheron. Mode 1.**

*I will give thanks to You, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your wondrous things.* (SAAS)

Listen, O trouble-loving race of Judeans. Where are the men who went to Pilate? Let the soldiers who were guarding answer. Where, pray tell, are the seals that were on the tomb? Where was the buried corpse removed? How was the priceless One sold for a price? How was the treasure stolen? Why are you discrediting the Resurrection of the Crucified, O unlawful Judeans? He arose, as the One free

among the dead, and He grants to the world the great mercy. (SD)

From Octoechos - - -

**Glory. Mode 4.**

**The Fourth Eothinon.**

It was early dawn, and the women came to Your tomb, O Christ. But Your body, which they longed for, was nowhere to be found. While they were perplexed about this, the men in dazzling apparel stood by and said to them, "Why do you look among the dead for the One who is alive? He has risen, as He told you. Why do you not remember His words?" And they believed them, and proclaimed what they had seen. But the good news seemed to the Disciples an idle tale; this is how slow they still were to understand. But Peter ran and saw, and going home he glorified Your wonders. (SD)

Both now. **Theotokion.**

You are supremely blessed, O Virgin Theotokos. For through Him who from you became incarnate was Hades taken prisoner, and Adam has been summoned back; the curse has been neutralized, and Eve has been liberated; death has been put to death, and we have been brought to life. Therefore extolling we cry out: O Christ our God, You are blessed, for so was Your good pleasure. Glory to You! (SD)

**GREAT DOXOLOGY**

Glory be to You who showed the light. Glory in the highest to God. His peace is on earth, His good pleasure in mankind. (SD)

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to You for Your great glory.

Lord King, heavenly God, Father, Ruler over all; Lord, only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and You, O Holy Spirit.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, You who take away the sins of the world.

Accept our supplication, You who sit at the right hand of the Father, and have mercy on us.

For You alone are holy, You alone are Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day I will bless You, and Your name will I praise to eternity, and to the ages of ages.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day, that we be kept without sin.

Blessed are You, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name to the ages. Amen.

Let Your mercy be on us, O Lord, as we have set our hope on You.

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Lord, You have been our refuge from generation to generation. I said: Lord, have mercy on me. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You.

Lord, I have fled to You. Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God.

For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we shall see light.

Continue Your mercy to those who know You.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3)

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

*After the Doxology, sing the following Resurrectional Troparion.*

**Mode 4.** *(or the Mode of the week)*

Today has salvation come to pass in the world. Let us sing to Him who resurrected from the tomb and is the Author of our life. For, destroying death by death, He gave us the victory and the great mercy. (SD)