Sunday, June 13 Feast of Christ, Lover of Mankind

First Antiphon: How delightful is your dwelling place, Lord of hosts; my soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.

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

My heart and my flesh rejoiced in the living God.

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The sparrow found itself a home and the swallow its nest wherein to lay its young.

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Third Antiphon: My heart bursts forth with a noble theme; I tell my works to the king.

Tropar, tone 6: Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us. * We sinners bring this appeal to You, O Master, * for we have no defense. * Have mercy on us.

You are more radiant in beauty than the sons of men; grace flowed from your lips.

Have mercy on us, O Lord...

In your splendor and your beauty bend your bow, prosper and reign for the sake of truth, meekness and beauty.

Have mercy on us, O Lord...

At the Little Entrance: Sing praise to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy is forever.

Have mercy on us, O Lord...

Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; now and forever and ever. Amen!

Kondak, tone 8: To you, Lord, my Commander and Champion, * I your servant, ascribe my victories. * Delivered from eternal death * I address my thanks to you. * Since you have ineffable mercy, * free me from all kinds of danger as I cry out: * "Jesus, son of God, have mercy on me."

Prokimen, tone 4: I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly, I will sing your praises.

Verse: I will fulfill my vows before those who fear him.

Epistle: Hebrews 2: 11-18

Brothers and Sisters! He who consecrates and those who are consecrated have one and the same Father. Therefore, he is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying, "I will announce your name to my brothers, I will sing your praise in the midst of the assembly"; and, "I will put my trust in him"; and again, "Here am I, and the children God has given me?" Now since the children are men of blood and flesh, Jesus likewise had a full share in ours, that by his death he might rob the devil, the prince of death, of his power, and free those who through fear of death had been slaves their whole life long. Surely, he did not come to help angels, but rather the children of Abraham; therefore, he had to become like his brothers in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God on their behalf. to explate the sins of the people. Since he was himself tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are tempted.

Alleluia Verses: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord.

All the families of the nations shall fall down before him.

Gospel: John 3: 13-17

The Lord said, No one has gone to heaven except the One who came down from there -- the Son of Man who is in heaven. Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that all who believe may have eternal life in him. Yes, God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him may not die but may have eternal life. God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

Instead of 'It is truly right...': My soul, extol the most dear Jesus, * our Loving Lord. * With one accord let us the faithful extol the Word of God, * ineffably become man for us from the Holy Virgin. * In his ineffable wisdom he came from God * to restore Adam who was mortally felled by the serpent's sting.

Communion Hymn: All the ends of the earth saw the salvation of our God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!