

Sunday, February 6

33rd Sunday after Pentecost/Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

Sunday Tropar, tone 4: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection * and cast off the ancestral condemnation, * they proudly told the apostles: * "Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen * granting to the world great mercy."

Feastday Tropar, tone 1: Hail, Mother of God, Virgin full of grace. * From you has shown forth the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, * shining upon those who are in darkness. * Rejoice also, you just Elder Simeon, * for you received in your arms the Redeemer of our souls * who has given us Resurrection.

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

Kondak of the Publican and Pharisee, tone 3: Let us bring the groans of the Publican to the Lord, * and as sinners let us prostrate ourselves before Him, our Master, * for he wants salvation for all men. * He offers forgiveness to all who repent. * He became flesh for our sake, * God though he was, co-eternal with the Father.

Prokimen, tone 4: How great are Your works, O Lord: You have made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Epistle: 2nd Timothy 3: 10-15

Timothy, my son! You have followed closely my teaching and my conduct. You have observed my resolution, fidelity, patience, love and endurance, through persecution and sufferings in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. You know what persecutions I have had to bear, and you know how the Lord saved me from them all. Anyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus can expect to be persecuted. But all the while evil men and charlatans will go from bad to worse, deceiving others, themselves deceived. You, for your part, must remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know who your teachers were. Likewise, from your infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, the source of the wisdom which through faith in Jesus Christ leads to salvation.

Alleluia Verses: Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

Gospel: Luke 18: 10-14

The Lord told this parable: "Two men went up to the temple to pray; one was a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The pharisee with head unbowed prayed in this fashion: 'I give you thanks, O God, that I am not like the rest of men -- grasping, crooked, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I pay tithes on all I possess.' The other man, however, kept his distance, not even daring to raise his eyes to heaven. All he did was beat his breast and say, 'O God, be merciful to me, a sinner.' Believe me, this man went home from the temple justified but the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled while he who humbles himself shall be exalted."

Instead of 'It is truly right...': O Virgin Mother of God. Hope of Christians, * protect, watch, and save those who have placed their hope in you. * We, the faithful, see the figure of Christ in the shadow and the letter of the law * which says: Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord. * Therefore, we extol the firstborn of the Eternal Father * and the Virgin Mother.

Communion Hymn: I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, Praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!