

SUNDAY, MAY 3

TONE 3

4th Sunday of Pascha Paralytic

[Ven. Theodosius, Abbot of the Kiev Caves Monastery and Founder of Coenobitic Monasticism in Russia] *(sung whenever the Superior/Rector wishes)*

Priest: "Blessed is our God..." (or at Vigil: "Glory to the Holy, Consubstantial...")

Choir: "Amen."

Priest: "Christ is risen..." (2 ½ times)

Choir: "and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!"

(And then Psalm 103)

Priest: "Blessed is the Kingdom..."

Choir: "Amen."

Priest: "Christ is risen..." (2 ½ times)

Choir: "and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!"

(The Divine Liturgy is begun in this manner until the Leavetaking of Pascha.)

Tone 3 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death.

He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world // great mercy.

Troparion You were bound for good deeds, O martyr of Christ: George, by faith You Conquered the torturer's godlessness. You were offered as a sacrifice Pleasing to God; thus, you received the crown of victory. Through your Intercessions, Forgiveness of sins is granted to all.

Tone 3 Kontakion *(Pentecostarion)*

By Thy divine intercession, O Lord, as Thou didst raise up the Paralytic of old, so raise up my soul, paralyzed by sins and thoughtless acts; so that being saved I may sing to Thee:// "Glory to Thy power, O compassionate Christ!"

Tone 8 Kontakion *(Pascha)*

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming, "Rejoice!" to the Myrrhbearing Women,// granting peace to Thine Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

Kontakion God raised you as his own gardener, O George, for you have
Gathered For Yourself sheaves of virtue. Having sown in tears, you now reap
With joy, You shed your blood in combat and won Christ as your crown.
Through your Intercessions, Forgiveness of sins is granted to all

Kontakion Steadfast Protectress of Christians./constant advocate before
The Creator,/ do not despise the entreaties of us sinners,/but in your goodness
Hasten to help us who cry out to you with faith/Speedily hear
Our petition and Intercede for us. Theotokos,/for you always protect those
Who Honor you

Tone 1 Prokeimenon *(Pentecostarion)*

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee! *(Ps. 32:22)*

V. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps. 32:1)

Epistle

(23) Acts 9:32-42

Tone 5

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*V. I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy
truth from generation to generation. (Ps. 88:1-2)*

*V. For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be
prepared in the heavens. (Ps. 88:3)*

Gospel

(14) John 5:1-15

(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:)

The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace:

"Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Again, I say: Rejoice, thy Son is risen from His three
days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead." Rejoice, O ye
people!

Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem! The glory of the Lord has shone on thee.
Exult now, and be glad, O Zion! Be radiant, O pure Theotokos,
in the Resurrection of thy Son!

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality!
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps. 148:1)*
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Priest: "In the fear of God..."

Choir: "Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord... "

Priest: "O God, save Thy people... "

Choir: "Christ is risen from the dead... " (sung once, instead of "We have seen the True Light...)

Priest: "Always, now and ever..."

Choir: "Let our mouths be filled..."

At the Dismissal, the Priest says: "Glory to Thee, O Christ..." and the choir sings "Christ is risen from the dead..." (thrice).

And unto us He has given eternal life.
Let us worship His Resurrection on the third day!

Announcements

Saturdays 5.pm Orthodox study

Sundays Hours 9.00am Divine Liturgy 9.30 am

Catechumens to participate in zoom classes on Mondays at 7.pm with
Father Anderson please let him know so he can admit you into the meeting
<https://stjohnofdamascus.org/calendar/>

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Dear brothers and sisters,

This is a gentle reminder to please complete and return your 2026 pledge
forms.

Your commitment helps support the needs and growth of our church.

Thank you