

January 6 / January 19
Theophany
The Baptism of Our Lord, God & Savior Jesus Christ
Titus 2: 11 – 14; 3: 4 - 7 Matthew 3: 13 – 17

First Festal Antiphon
Tone 2

(Psalm 113: 1, 2, 3, 5)

Stichos 1

People: In the exodus of Israel from Egypt, / the house of Jacob from a foreign people.

Refrain

People: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

Stichos 2

People: Judah became His sanctuary, / and Israel His authority.

Refrain

People: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

Stichos 3

People: The sea saw them and fled, / the Jordan turned back.

Refrain

People: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

Stichos 4

People: What is it to you, O sea, that you fled, / and to you, O Jordan, that you turned back?

Refrain

People: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, / now and ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Refrain

People: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Saviour, save us.

***Second Festal Antiphon
Tone 2***

(Psalm 114: 1, 2, 3 – 4, 5)

Stichos 1

People: I have loved, because the Lord shall hear / the voice of my supplication.

Refrain

People: O Son of God, baptised by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Stichos 2

People: For He inclined His ear to me, / and in my days I shall call upon Him.

Refrain

People: O Son of God, baptised by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Stichos 3

People: The pains of death surrounded me; the dangers of Hades found me; / I found affliction and grief. Then I called upon the Lord's name.

Refrain

People: O Son of God, baptised by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Stichos 4

People: The Lord is merciful and righteous, / and our God has mercy.

Refrain

People: O Son of God, baptised by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Hymn to Our Lord Jesus Christ

Now and ever, and to the 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 was crucified. /

Who is one of the Holy Trinity, /

glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, /

O Christ our God trampling down Death by death,
save us.

Third Festal Antiphon
Tone 4

(Psalm 117: 1, 2, 3, 4)

Stichos 1

Reader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for
His mercy endures forever.

People (Tone 1):

O Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, /
the worship of the Trinity was revealed; /
for the voice of the Father bore witness to You, /
calling You His beloved Son. /

And the Spirit in the form of a dove /
confirmed the certainty of His word. /

O Christ our God, who has revealed Himself, //
and has illumined the world, glory to You.

Stichos 2

Reader: Let the house of Israel say that He is good,
for His mercy endures forever.

People (Tone 1):

O Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, /
the worship of the Trinity was revealed; /
for the voice of the Father bore witness to You, /
calling You His beloved Son. /
And the Spirit in the form of a dove /
confirmed the certainty of His word. /
O Christ our God, who has revealed Himself, //
and has illumined the world, glory to You.

Stichos 3

Reader: Let the house of Aaron say that He is good,
for His mercy endures forever.

People (Tone 1):

O Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, /
the worship of the Trinity was revealed; /
for the voice of the Father bore witness to You, /
calling You His beloved Son. /
And the Spirit in the form of a dove /
confirmed the certainty of His word. /
O Christ our God, who has revealed Himself, //
and has illumined the world, glory to You.

Stichos 4

Reader: Let all who fear the Lord say that He is good,
for His mercy endures forever.

People (Tone 1):

O Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, /
the worship of the Trinity was revealed; /
for the voice of the Father bore witness to You, /
calling You His beloved Son. /
And the Spirit in the form of a dove /
confirmed the certainty of His word. /
O Christ our God, who has revealed Himself, //
and has illumined the world, glory to You.

The Small Entry

(Psalm 117: 26, 27)

Deacon: Wisdom! Arise! Blessed is He who comes in
the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and
He revealed Himself to us.

People:

O come let us worship /
and fall down before Christ. /
O Son of God, /
baptised by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to
You: /
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.,

Troparion of Theophany
Tone 1

People:

O Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, /
the worship of the Trinity was revealed; /
for the voice of the Father bore witness to You, /
calling You His beloved Son. /
And the Spirit in the form of a dove /
confirmed the certainty of His word. /
O Christ our God, who has revealed Himself, //
and has illumined the world, glory to You.

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

Kontakion of Theophany
Tone 4

People:

Today You have revealed Yourself to the whole world, /
and the light of Your face was stamped upon us O Lord, /
who praise You with understanding: /
You have come, You have revealed Yourself, //
O Unapproachable Light.

Instead of the Trisagion

(Galatians 3: 27)

People:

As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia. **(x3)**

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

Have put on Christ. Alleluia.

As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia.

Prokeimenon Tone 4

(Psalm 117: 26, 27, 1)

Deacon: Let us attend.

Priest: Peace be to all.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the 4th Tone: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us.

People: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us.

Reader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

People: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us.

Reader: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to Titus.

Deacon: Let us attend.

Titus 2: 11 – 14; 3: 4 - 7

Reader: Brethren, truly, the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. It has taught us that we should deny what is ungodly and worldly lusts, that we should live soberly, righteously, and in a godly way in this present world, waiting for the blessed hope: the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ. He gave Himself for us in order to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good works. But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love toward mankind appeared, (not by works of righteousness which we did ourselves, but

according to His mercy), He saved us through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit. Yes, God richly poured out this Spirit on us, through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace, we become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Priest: Peace be to you the reader.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Alleluiarion Tone 4

(Psalm 28: 1, 3)

Reader: Alleluia in the 4th Tone.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader: Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God, bring to the Lord the sons of rams.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thundered; the Lord is upon the many waters.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Deacon: Bless Master, him who proclaims the Holy Gospel of the Holy, Apostle and Evangelist Matthew.

Priest: May God, through the intercessions of the holy, glorious, all praised Apostle and Evangelist Matthew, enable you to proclaim the Good News with great power, for the fulfillment of the Gospel of His Beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Deacon: Amen.

Priest: Wisdom! Arise! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel. Peace be to all.

People: And to your spirit.

Deacon: The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

People: Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.

Priest: Let us attend.

Deacon: **Matthew 3: 13 – 17**

The Hymn to the Theotokos

Instead of “It is truly right...” we chant the first Megalynarion and Irmos of the 9th Ode of the 1st Canon of the Feast.

Tone 2

People: Magnify, O my soul, her who is greater in honour than the hosts on high, the All-Pure Virgin Theotokos.

O Theotokos, every tongue is at a loss to praise you worthily, / and every heavenly spirit is amazed praising you. / Accept our faith as you are good. / You know very well that our love is inspired by God. // For you are the Protector of Christians, and we magnify you.

Communion Verse (Koinonikon)

People: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all; Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

(Titus 2: 11)