

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Prophet Habakkuk (Avvakum)**  
**Ephesians 4: 1 – 6      Luke 18: 18 – 27**

**Beatitude Verses**  
8 from Octoechos for Resurrection

**People:** In Your kingdom remember us, O Lord, when You come into Your kingdom.  
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted!  
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth!  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled!  
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy!

**Reader:** O Christ the Savior of the world, remember us as You remembered the robber on the Cross; and count us all worthy of Your heavenly kingdom, O You who alone are compassionate.

**People:** Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God!

**Reader:** Listen, O Adam, and rejoice with Eve; for he who of old stripped you both naked, and took all of us captive by deception, has been defeated by the Cross of Christ.

**People:** Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God!

**Reader:** O our Savior, of Your own will You were nailed to the Tree of the Cross. You freed Adam from the curse which came through the fruit of the tree, and as You are compassionate, You rewarded Your creation made in Your image with a dwelling in paradise.

**People:** Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven!

**Reader:** Today Christ is risen from the tomb, granting incorruption to all the faithful; and He renews the joy of the myrrh-bearing women after His suffering and resurrection.

**People:** Blessed are you when people revile you, persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for my sake!

**Reader:** Rejoice, O wise myrrh-bearing women, who were first to behold the resurrection of Christ, and who proclaimed to the apostles the glad tidings of the restoration of the whole world!

**People:** Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven!

**Reader:** O apostles, you are manifestly the friends of Christ and are to be enthroned with Him in glory: entreat Him with boldness, that He intercede for us, for you are His disciples.

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

**Reader:** O unoriginate Trinity, indivisible Essence, Unity equally enthroned, equal in honor and glory, transcendent Nature and Kingship: Save us who praise You with faith!

**People:** **Now** and ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**Reader:** Rejoice, spacious habitation of God! Rejoice, ark of the new covenant! Rejoice, jar from which the heavenly Manna is given to all!

### **Troparia & Kontakia**

#### **Resurrection Troparion Tone 8**

**People:**  
You descended from the heights O Compassionate One,  
You accepted a three-day burial  
to free us from our passions,  
Glory to You O Lord, our Life and Resurrection.

#### **Troparion of Prophet Habakkuk Tone 2**

**People:**  
Celebrating the memory of Your prophet Habakkuk, O Lord, //  
through him we entreat You: Save our souls!

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

#### **Kontakion of Prophet Habakkuk Tone 8**

**People:**  
O divinely eloquent Habakkuk /  
who announced to the world God's coming forth from the south, from the Virgin, /  
and who, standing on divine watch, received a report from the radiant angel: /  
you have proclaimed the resurrection of Christ to the world. /  
Therefore, in gladness we cry out to you: //  
Rejoice, O splendid adornment of the prophets!

**People:** Now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**Kontakion of the Resurrection  
Tone 8**

**People:**  
O Greatly-merciful Lord, /  
Having risen from the tomb, You raised the dead /  
and resurrected Adam. /  
Eve also rejoices at Your Resurrection, //  
and the ends of the world celebrate Your arising from the dead.

**Resurrection Prokeimenon  
Tone 8**

**Deacon:** Let us attend.

**Priest:** Peace be to all.

**Reader:** And to your spirit.

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Prokeimenon in the 8th Tone: Make your vows to the Lord Your God and keep them.

**People:** Make your vows to the Lord Your God and keep them.

**Reader:** In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

**People:** Make your vows to the Lord Your God and keep them.

**Reader:** Make your vows to the Lord Your God.

**People:** And keep them.

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

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

**Deacon:** Let us attend.

**Epistle**  
**Ephesians 4: 1 – 6**

**Reader:** Brethren, being a prisoner in the Lord, I beg you to walk worthily of the calling with which you were called. Walk with complete lowliness and humility, with patience, bearing with one another in love; being eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, even as you also were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in us all.

***Priest:*** Peace be to you the reader.

**Reader:** And to your spirit.

***Deacon:*** Wisdom!

**Alleluiarion Tone 8**

**Reader:** Alleluia in the 8th Tone.

***People:*** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Reader:** Come, let us greatly rejoice in the Lord; let us shout aloud to God our Savior.

***People:*** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Reader:** Let us come before His face with thanksgiving, and let us shout aloud to Him with psalms.

***People:*** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

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

***Priest:*** May God, through the intercessions of the holy, glorious, all praised Apostle and Evangelist Luke, 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 Luke.

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

**Priest:** Let us attend.

**Deacon:** **Luke 18: 18 – 27**

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

**Communion Verse (Koinonikon)**

**People:**

**Resurrection:** Praise the Lord in the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.