

Paschal Prayer on Sunday Morning

Format dictated by COVID=19

(Doors of the church closed)

Priest: Blessed is our God: always, now, and ever; and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen:

**Priest and People: Christ is Risen from the dead,
Trampling down death by death.**

And upon those in the tombs, bestowing Life! (3x)

Priest: Let God arise! Let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His Face:

People: Christ is Risen from the dead...

Priest: As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire (...) So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad!

People: Christ is Risen from the dead...

Priest: This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

People: Christ is Risen from the dead...

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

People: Christ is Risen from the dead...

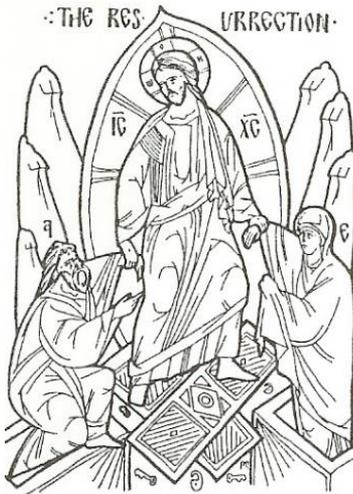
Priest: Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death...

People: ...and upon those in the tombs, bestowing Life!

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Priest: Open to us the doors of the tomb, that we might come in and celebrate the Risen Lord



**People: Christ is Risen from the dead,
Trampling down death by death.
And upon those in the tombs,
bestowing Life!**

Litany

Priest: Wisdom - let us be attentive!

Choir: O gladsome Light,
of the Holy Glory of the Immortal

Father - Heavenly, Holy, Blessed - Jesus Christ; now that we have come to the setting of the sun, and behold the light of evening: we praise God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit! For meet it is at all times to worship Thee with voices of praise. O Son of God, and Giver of Life - therefore all the world glorifies Thee.

Priest: Wisdom - let us be attentive: the great prokiemenon is in the 7th tone: Who is so great a God as our God; Thou art the God who dost wonders.

Choir: Who is so great a God as our God; Thou art our God who creates miracles.

(Refrain® after each verse completed by the priest)

Priest: 2. Thou hast made known Thy power among the peoples. ®

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3. And I said, now have I begun; this is the change of the right hand of the Most High.®
4. I remembered the works of the Lord; for from the beginning will I remember Thy wonders.
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Priest: Who is so great a God as our God...

Choir: Thou art our God who creates miracles!

Priest: That we may be accounted worthy to listen to the Holy Gospel, let us pray to the Lord God.

Choir: Lord, have Mercy! (3x)

Priest: Wisdom! Attend! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel!
Peace be unto all!

Choir: And to your spirit!

Priest: The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Choir: Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee!

Gospel reading

Choir: Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee!

This is the day of Resurrection:

Let us be illumined by the feast!

Let us embrace each other!

Let us call "brothers," even those who hate us;

And forgive all by the Resurrection,

And so let us cry:

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Priest: Wisdom!

Choir: Father, bless.

Priest: Christ, our God, the Existing One is Blessed, always, now, and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen. Confirm, O God, the Holy Orthodox Faith, and Orthodox Christians, unto ages of ages!

Priest: Most Holy Theotokos save us!

Choir: More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious than the Seraphim, without defilement you gave birth to God, the Word, true Theotokos, we magnify you!

Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ, our God and our Hope, glory to Thee!

People: Christ is Risen from the dead,

Trampling down death by death.

And upon those in the tombs, bestowing Life!

Priest: *Paschal Dismissal*

Priest & People: Christ is Risen!

Truly, He is Risen!